

Birth of John and Birth of Jesus

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Three men come out on the platform with scrolls (being dressed as prophets is an option). They take turns reading Old Testament prophecies concerning John the Baptist and the birth of Jesus. It is recommended not to read the Scripture references.

Prophet 1:

As it is written: Behold, I send My messenger, and he will prepare the way before Me. And the Lord, whom you seek, will suddenly come to His temple, even the Messenger of the covenant, in whom you delight. Behold, He is coming. (Malachi 3:1)

Prophet 2:

There shall be the voice of one crying in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the LORD; Make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be exalted and every mountain and hill brought low; the crooked places shall be made straight and the rough places smooth; the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together; (Isaiah 40:3-5)

Prophet 3:

In days long ago, The LORD swore an oath to David, a sure oath that he will not revoke: One of your own descendants I will place on your throne. (Psalm 132: 11)

Prophet 1:

The words of the Lord to the prophet Jeremiah were written: In those days and at that time I will make a righteous Branch sprout from David's line; he will do what is just and right in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. This is the name by which He will be called: The LORD Our Righteousness. (Jeremiah 33:15-16)

Prophet 2:

As it was foretold by Micah: But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are small among the clans of Judah, out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times. (Micah 5:2)

Prophet 3:

It was written by the prophet Isaiah: A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse; from his roots a Branch will bear fruit. (Isaiah 11:1)

Prophet 1:

Therefore, the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son and will call him Immanuel. (Isaiah 7:14)

Prophet 2:

For unto us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. (Isaiah 9:6)