

Isaiah wrote an amazing chapter (53) about what the Messiah would do on the cross. This one passage has led many Jewish people to believe that Jesus really is the Messiah.



PROPHESIED THE SAVIOR'S BIRTH

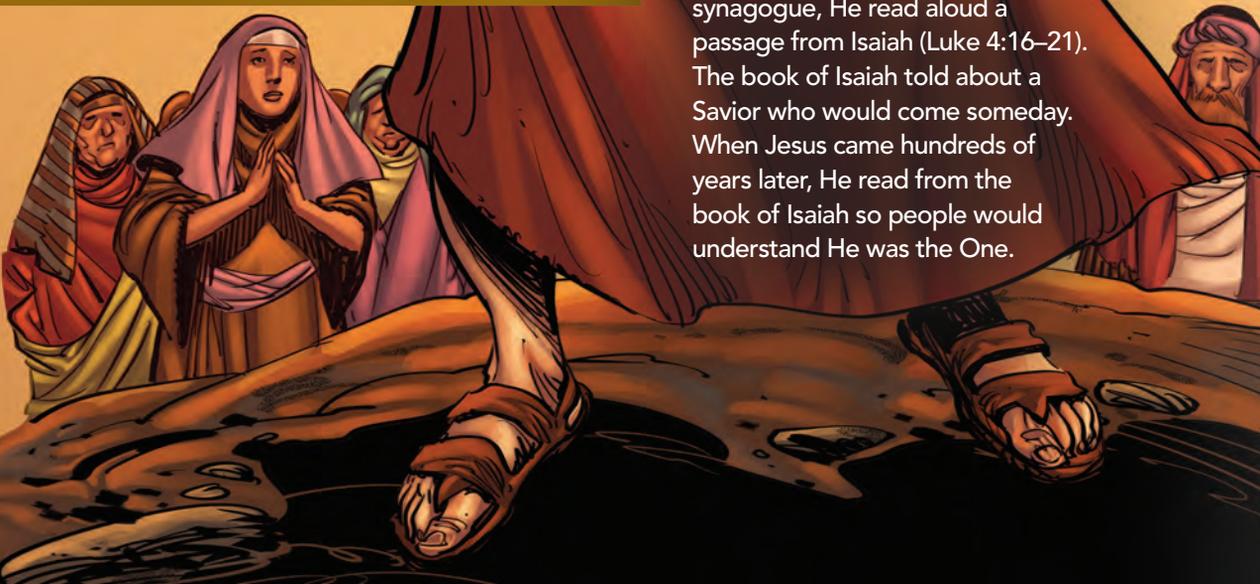
# ISAIAH

Prophet of God

*His name means "Yahweh is salvation."*

The Ethiopian eunuch that Philip met on the road was reading from the book of Isaiah (Acts 8:26–39).

When Jesus officially began His ministry in his hometown synagogue, He read aloud a passage from Isaiah (Luke 4:16–21). The book of Isaiah told about a Savior who would come someday. When Jesus came hundreds of years later, He read from the book of Isaiah so people would understand He was the One.



# CLAIM TO FAME



Isaiah prophesied more about the coming of the Messiah—Jesus—than any other prophet, though he was born 600 years before Jesus.

He was allowed to see a vision of God in all His holiness and glory, and at the same time Isaiah recognized his own sinfulness and weakness by comparison. This time of fear turned into a time of joy because God took away Isaiah's sin and called him to be His special servant.

## BIGGEST CHALLENGE

### HOMETOWN

Judah, possibly Jerusalem

### WHERE IS IT NOW?

Jerusalem, Israel

### BACKGROUND

He was a Hebrew who prophesied during four kings' reigns in the southern kingdom of Judah.

### SCRIPTURE REFERENCE

The book of Isaiah

If all you had was the book of Isaiah, you could still figure out what Jesus would come and do ... hundreds of years before He came. Among other things, Isaiah correctly foretold:

- A virgin would give birth to Him.
- He would begin His ministry in the area called Galilee.
- He would call all people (not just Jewish people) to follow Him.
- He would perform miracles of healing.
- People would hate and reject Him.
- He would suffer for our sins even though He was innocent.
- He would conquer death.
- He would pour out His Spirit on people.

