

Between Affliction & Healing
Isaiah 11:1-10

**For the joy set before him he
endured the cross, scorning
its shame, and sat down at
the right hand of the throne
of God.**

Hebrews 12:2

**A shoot will come up from the
stump of Jesse; from his
roots a Branch will bear fruit.**

**This is the genealogy of Jesus
the Messiah the son of David,
the son of Abraham:
Matthew 1:1**

**The Spirit of the Lord will rest
on him—the Spirit of wisdom
and of understanding,
the Spirit of counsel and of
might, the Spirit of the
knowledge and fear of
the Lord-**

**The Spirit of the Lord is on
me, because he has anointed
me to proclaim good news to
the poor. He has sent me to
proclaim freedom for the
prisoners and recovery of
sight for the blind, to set the
oppressed free,
Luke 4:18**

**and he will delight in the fear
of the Lord. He will not judge
by what he sees with his
eyes, or decide by what he
hears with his ears;**

**but with righteousness he will
judge the needy,
with justice he will give
decisions for the poor of the
earth. He will strike the earth
with the rod of his mouth;
with the breath of his lips he
will slay the wicked.**

**Righteousness will be his belt
and faithfulness the sash
around his waist.**

**“The days are coming,”
declares the Lord, “when I will
raise up for David a righteous
Branch, a King who will reign
wisely and do what is just and
right in the land.
Jeremiah 23:5**

**The wolf will live with the
lamb, the leopard will lie
down with the goat,
the calf and the lion and the
yearling together; and a little
child will lead them.**

**The cow will feed with the
bear, their young will lie down
together, and the lion will eat
straw like the ox.**

**The infant will play near the
cobra's den, and the young
child will put its hand into the
viper's nest.**

**They will neither harm nor
destroy on all my holy
mountain, for the earth will be
filled with the knowledge of
the Lord as the waters cover
the sea.**

**I consider that our present
sufferings are not worth
comparing with the glory that
will be revealed in us.
Romans 8:18**

**For in this hope we were
saved. But hope that is seen
is no hope at all. Who hopes
for what they already have?
25But if we hope for what we
do not yet have, we wait
for it patiently.
Romans 8:24-25**

“The early Christians held out a breathtaking, radical vision of the ultimate goal of all things: the new heavens and new earth, the renewal of all things, the new Jerusalem “coming down from heaven to earth (Revelation 21:2),

**a world flooded with the joy
and justice of the creator
God.”**

+NT Wright, *After You Believe:
Why Christian Character
Matters.*

**In that day the Root of Jesse
will stand as a banner for the
peoples; the nations will rally
to him, and his resting place
will be glorious.**

While the Hebrew term for “glorious” can indicate earthly splendor and grandeur, it also has overtones of divine glory.

+Faithlife Study Bible (Is 11:10).

**In that day the Branch of the
Lord will be beautiful and
glorious, and the fruit of the
land will be the pride and
glory of the survivors in Israel.
Isaiah 4:2**

**“The Root of Jesse will spring
up, one who will arise to rule
over the nations; in him the
Gentiles will hope.”
Romans 15:12**

Am I inviting or allowing the picture of the kingdom to come to shape how I approach my immediate circumstances?