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Romans 15:12, **“And again, Esaias saith, There shall be a root of Jesse, and he that shall rise to reign over the Gentiles; in him shall the Gentiles trust.”**

Isaiah the prophet spoke of Jesus Christ our Lord, as the rod and root of Jesse (Jesse: the father of King David). In Isaiah 11:1 he said, **“And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots:..”** Then again in chapter 11, verse 10 he said, **“And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and his rest shall be glorious.”** Therefore it was prophesied of old that the Gentile people (most of us) would have **“the King of kings, and the Lord of lords”** (I Timothy 6:15), to reign over us in the gospel kingdom we have today for the honoring and glorifying of His great name. Paul spoke of the blessing of Abraham which would **“...come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith”** (Galatians 3:14). This great blessing is a deliverance from the curse of the law, and the ushering in of the Covenant of Grace bestowed upon the Gentiles as it was to the Jews. Notice what Peter said in Acts 10:34-35, **“Then Peter opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons: But in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him.”** What a blessing it is to be accepted of Him, Christ, the great **“I AM”**. Here again is peace and comfort to the child of God as we read and study God’s written word. We pray the Lord will help all of us to **“trust”** more in His promises which cannot and shall never fail. Think about it!