

THE PROPHECIES of Isaiah	THE FULFILLMENT in Jesus of Nazareth:
Will be born of a virgin (Is 7:14)	Jesus was born of a virgin named Mary (Mt 1:23 ; Lk 1:26-31)
He will come from the lineage of King David (Is 11:1-2 , 10 ; 16:5)	Jesus was a descendant of King David and was the fulfillment of the covenant promise made to David (Mt 1:1 ; Lk 3:31-32 ; Ac 2:29-36)
Will have a Galilean ministry (Is 9:1 , 2)	His ministry began in Galilee of the Gentiles (Mt 4:12-16 ; Mk 1:1-15 ; Lk 4:14-15 ; Jn 2:1)
Will be an heir to the throne of David (Is 9:7 ; 11:1 , 10)	Jesus was given the throne of His father David (Lk 1:32-33)
Will have His way prepared (Is 40:3-5)	Jesus was announced by John the Baptist (Mt 3:1-3 ; Mk 1:1-3 ; Lk 3:2-5 ; Jn 1:19-28)
Will be spat on and struck (Is 50:6)	He was spat on and beaten (Mt 26:67 ; Mk 10:34 ; Lk 22:63-65)
Will be exalted (Is 52:13)	He was highly exalted by God and the New Covenant people (Ph 2:9 , 10)
Will be disfigured by suffering (Is 52:14 ; 53:2)	Jesus was scourged by Roman soldiers who gave Him a crown of thorns (Mt 27:27-31 ; Mk 15:15-19 ; Jn 19:1-3)
Will make a blood atonement (Is 53:5)	Shed His blood to atone for our sins (Mt 26:28 ; Rm 3:25 ; Heb 9:11-12 , 18-22 ; 1Pt 1:2)
Will be widely rejected (Is 53:1 , 3)	Jesus was not accepted by many (Jn 12:37 , 38)
Will bear our sins and sorrows (Is 53:4 , 5)	He died because of our sins (Rm 4:25 ; 1Pt 2:24 , 25)
Will be our substitute (Is 53:6 , 8)	Jesus died in our place (Rm 5:6 , 8 ; 2 Co 5:21)
Will voluntarily accept our guilt and punishment for sin(Is 53:7 , 8)	Jesus took on our sins upon Himself (Jn 1:29 ; Rm 6:10 ; 2 Co 5:21)

Gentiles will seek Him (Is 11:10)	Gentiles came to speak to Jesus (Mt 8:5-13 ; 15:21-28 ; Mk 7:25-30 ; 21)
Will be silent before His accusers (Is 53:7)	He was silent before Herod and his court (Lk 23:9)
Will save us who believe in Him (Is 53:12)	Jesus provided salvation for all who believe (Jn 3:16 ; Ac 16:31)
Will die with sinners (Is 53:12)	Jesus was numbered with the sinners (Mk 15:27 , 28 ; Lk 22:37)
God's Anointed will heal the spiritually wounded and brokenhearted and to comfort those who mourn (Is 61:1 , 2)	Jesus was God's Anointed who healed the spiritually wounded and brokenhearted and the comfort those who mourn (Mt 3:16 ; 5:5 ; Lk 4:18-19)
God's Spirit will rest on Him (Is 11:2)	The Spirit of God descended on Jesus (Mt 3:16 ; Mk 1:10 ; Lk 3:22 ; 4:1)
Will be buried in a rich man's tomb (Is 53:9)	Jesus was buried in the tomb of Joseph, a rich man from Arimathea (Mt 27:57-60 ; Jn 19:38-42)
He will judge the earth with righteousness (Is 11:4 , 5)	Jesus was given authority to judge (Jn 5:27 ; Lk 19:22 ; 2 Tm 4:1 , 8)

THE VIRGIN MARY AND THE VIRGIN EVE CONTRASTED

Genesis 3:15 contains the promise of the redemption of mankind after the Fall of Adam and Eve. The Incarnation of the Christ was the manifestation of the promise and it was fulfilled with Jesus Christ's sacrificial death and glorious resurrection. The New Testament portrays Jesus as the "Second Adam" whose obedience and sacrificial death on the cross undo Adam's disobedience [see Romans 5:12-21 and 1 Corinthians 15:45-49]. Jesus, the Second Adam, triumphed over the same temptations to which the first Adam fell into sin [compare Genesis 3:6 to Luke 4:1-13].

Just as there is a Second Adam there is also a Second Eve. Mary, the Virgin Mother of Christ is the Second Eve. Just as the First Eve in the exercise of free will cooperated in the Fall of man so the Second Eve, in the exercise of her free will, cooperated in the redemption and salvation of the entire human race.

The two Eves contrasted:

THE VIRGIN EVE	THE VIRGIN MARY
Daughter of the first Covenant	Daughter of the Sinai Covenant
Pledged obedience under the covenant	Pledged obedience under the covenant
Eve's disobedience resulted in the fall into sin of the entire human race. The result was death, physically and spiritually.	Mary's obedience to God resulted in the offer of the gift of salvation to the entire human race. The result was eternal life
Eve's name means the "mother of all living" and indeed all of humanity is descended through her.	Mary is the "mother of all who truly live" when, at the cross, Jesus gave His mother to the Church as the Mother of all who come to receive Jesus as Savior and Lord and therefore receive the gift of eternal life.

From the Annunciation to the Crucifixion of her Son, Mary can be seen as God's ultimate validation of free will. The Virgin Mary's obedience to the will of God as conveyed to her in the angel Gabriel's message was no less voluntary in its affirmation than the disobedience of the virgin Eve had been in its negation.

Catechism of the Catholic Church# 494 ".....'Being obedient she became the cause of salvation for herself and for the whole human race.' Hence not a few of the early Fathers gladly assert 'The knot of Eve's disobedience was untied by Mary's obedience: what the virgin Eve bound through her disbelief, Mary loosened by her faith.' Comparing her with Eve, they call Mary 'the Mother of the living' and frequently claim" 'Death through Eve, life through Mary.'" [CCC quoting St. Irenaeus, Epiphanius, and St. Jerome]

Also see the document: The Virgin Mary's Role in Salvation History in the "Documents and Resources" section of Agape Bible Study's website at www.agapebiblestudy.com