

## THE ROOT OF JESSE

Isaiah 11:1–10

Key Verse: 11:10

1. Review what God said about Assyria and its king (10:5,12–13). What did God promise to do to Assyria's forests (10:18–19,24–25,33–34)?
2. In contrast, what does "the stump of Jesse" mean (11:1a; 6:13)? Who is the "shoot" and "branch" that will come from him (4:2; cf. Jer23:5; 33:15; Zech3:8; 6:12)?
3. How will God equip him to rule (11:2; cf. 42:1; 61:1)? In verse 2, how is the Spirit described, and what difference does it make to have this Spirit?
4. How will this king relate to God (3a,5) and to his people (3b–4)? Why is having such a king so important?
5. What effects will this king's reign have, and what does this mean to us (11:6–9; compare with 2:4b)? What hope can we find here?
6. Read verse 10. Who is this "root of Jesse" (Rev22:16; Ro15:12)? What does it mean that he is a "signal" and that we should "inquire" of him? What is "his resting place"? What can we learn here about the glory of Jesus?