Random Thoughts on the 'Son of David'

Jacob's prophecy:

Genesis 49: ⁸ Judah, thou art he whom thy brethren shall praise: thy hand shall be in the neck of thine enemies; thy father's children shall bow down before thee. ⁹ Judah is a lion's whelp: from the prey, my son, thou art gone up: he stooped down, he couched as a lion, and as an old lion; who shall rouse him up? ¹⁰ **The sceptre shall not depart from Judah**, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh come; and unto him shall the gathering of the people be. ¹¹ Binding his foal unto the vine, and his ass's colt unto the choice vine; he washed his garments in wine, and his clothes in the blood of grapes: ¹² His eyes shall be red with wine, and his teeth white with milk.

This would indicate that a line of kings will come from the lineage of Judah, culminating in Jesus the Messiah in His millennial reign (Shiloh) and the prosperity that follows.

Israel's first king Saul was from Benjamin if I remember but this was changed to Judah with the selection of David.

It is interesting that David was a shepherd and Jesus is the Good Shepherd.

David had to go thru quite a few battles to become accepted as king in a way that the majority of mankind does not accept Jesus.

1 Sam 22 describes the men that joined David in the cave – all outcasts and debtors. These all became mighty men under David. Jesus does the same!

2 Samuel 7: ¹² And when thy days be fulfilled, and thou shalt sleep with thy fathers, I will set up thy seed after thee, which shall proceed out of thy bowels, and I will establish his kingdom. ¹³ He shall build an house for my name, and I will stablish the throne of his kingdom for ever. ¹⁴ I will be his father, and he shall be my son. If he commit iniquity, I will chasten him with the rod of men, and with the stripes of the children of men: ¹⁵ But my mercy shall not depart away from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I put away before thee. ¹⁶ And thine house and thy kingdom shall be established for ever before thee: thy throne shall be established for ever.

This would predict that Jesus the Messiah would come from David's lineage. Obviously a dual prophesy as Jesus would not commit iniquity.

Joseph came from David's line thru Solomon Matt 1: ⁶ And Jesse begat David the king; and David the king begat **Solomon** of her that had been the wife of Urias;

Mary came from David's line thru Nathan, Solomon's older brother Luke 3: ³¹ Which was the son of Melea, which was the son of Menan, which was the son of Mattatha, which was the **son of Nathan**, which was the son of David

Isaiah predicts Jesus as the root of Jesse (David's father) proving the Davidic line. Isaiah 11: 1 And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots. Jesus and the throne of David is also referenced Isa 9:6-7

However, Jeremiah predicts that the lineage of kings from Solomon would end at Jehoiakim and the Babylonian captivity Jer 22:24-30 v30:Thus saith the LORD, Write ye this man childless, a man that shall not prosper in his days: for no man of his seed shall prosper, sitting upon the throne of David, and ruling any more in Judah.

Fortunately Mary is from David thru Nathan providing lineage to David outside of the curse given to Solomon's lineage.

Gabriel's message to Mary: Luke 1: ³² He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: ³³ And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.

We also see that this child is directly from God making Mary and Joseph surrogate/foster parents! Luke 1: ³⁵ And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God.

Zacharias prophecy Luke 1:68-79 ⁶⁸ Blessed be the Lord God of Israel; for he hath visited and redeemed his people,⁶⁹ And hath raised up an horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David;

The use of the word 'Horn' seems to me to imply a king from David's lineage.

I don't know if this means anything but Zacharias was obviously a Levite and one must believe Elisabeth as a cousin to Mary would have some Judah???? I say this only because the priesthood was changed from Levi to Judah but don't know if this is a connection to that. Hebrews 7: ¹² For the priesthood being changed, there is made of necessity a change also of the law. ¹³ For he of whom these things are spoken pertaineth to another tribe, of which no man gave attendance at the altar. ¹⁴ For it is evident that our Lord sprang out of Juda; of which tribe Moses spake nothing concerning priesthood.

A Psalm of David – Psa 110. Yaweh said to Adonai – Promise of Jesus the Messiah and also a reference to Hebrews 7 above about the priesthood. Jesus proved this as Him in

His use of this question with Pharisees: Matt 22: ⁴¹ While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them, ⁴² Saying, What think ye of Christ? whose son is he? They say unto him, The son of David. ⁴³ He saith unto them, How then doth David in spirit call him Lord, saying, ⁴⁴ The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand, till I make thine enemies thy footstool? ⁴⁵ If David then call him Lord, how is he his son? ⁴⁶ And no man was able to answer him a word, neither durst any man from that day forth ask him any more questions. This question is answered and **proven as Jesus by Peter** on the day of Pentecost in Acts 2:32-36.

'Son of David' or variation is used about 19 times, most in the gospels and then Romans 1: ³ Concerning his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, which was made of the seed of David according to the flesh; ⁴ And declared to be the Son of God with power, according to the spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead:

It is interesting how the populace knew to call Him 'Son of David', especially when seeking mercy in healing. We know he revealed himself to the woman at the well as the Messiah and also the blind man since birth that got excommunicated. When Peter stated that Jesus was the Christ, the Son of the Living God, Jesus stated that Peter was blessed as this was revealed to him by Holy Spirit revelation and not by natural means. Also, Jesus did preach from Isaiah finishing with this: Luke 4: ²¹ And he began to say unto them, This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears. It is clear from reading that the Pharisees knowingly rejected Him. 'Son of David' identified Jesus as the coming Messiah and those seeking mercy obviously recognized that this Messiah would have compassion on them.

In Revelation 3:7, Jesus states that He holds the key of David as keys represent authorized ones and He is the one authorized to take His place on the throne. This fulfills the prophecy of Isa 22:22.

I'll continue looking, but this is what I have so far. Thanks for the opportunity to study!