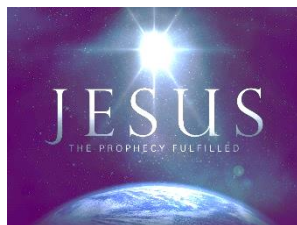


## THIS MORNING'S MESSAGE

### "Prophets Speak: The Day of His Coming" Malachi 3:1-7

December 20, 2015



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# JESUS

THE PROPHECY FULFILLED

## THE DAY OF HIS COMING

*Pastor Augie Iadicicco*





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# The New Testament Confirms ...

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