

# The Prophecies of the Christ

*“The testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy”* -Revelation 19:10

*“The Son of Man indeed goes just as it is written of Him”* -Matthew 26:24

*“You search the Scriptures, for in them you think you have eternal life; and these are they which testify of Me.”* -John 5:39

*“For if you believed Moses, you would believe Me; for he wrote about Me.”* -John 5:46

*“Then He took the twelve aside and said to them, “Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and all things that are written by the prophets concerning the Son of Man will be accomplished.”*

-Luke 18:31

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## The Prophecies of the Christ

### Lesson 1: The Time of His Coming

#### **Genesis 49:10**

1. What nation must still be in existence when the Messiah comes?

#### **Joel 2:28-32**

2. What time stamp does Joel use in reference to the time when salvation will be made available to man?

#### **Acts 2:16-17**

3. According to the New Testament, at what time was Joel's prophecy fulfilled?

#### **Daniel 2:35, 44**

4. What kind of kingdom did Daniel describe?

5. When would such a kingdom be established?

#### **Daniel 9:24-27**

6. When this figurative timeline was written, how many weeks were left before the Messiah would come?

#### **Isaiah 2:2-4**

7. What words does Isaiah 2:2 use to designate time?

8. What clues in Isaiah 2:2-4 give us the understanding that this is prophetic of the Messiah's coming?

#### **Isaiah 65:17-25**

9. So far we have seen similar words used in the Old Testament to designate the time of Christ, how does Isaiah 65:17 harmonize with those other scriptures?

#### **Hebrews 1:1**

10. What time designation does Hebrews 1:1 give for the coming of Christ?

#### **Hebrews 9:26**

11. How does the time stamp in Hebrews 9:26 relate to the prophecy in Isaiah 65:17?

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### Lesson 2: His Lineage

#### **Genesis 22:18; Galatians 3:6-16; Genesis 21:9-13**

1. What was the major theme of one of the first gospel sermons? Who was that sermon preached to (Galatians 3:8)?
2. What is “the blessing of Abraham” (Galatians 3:14)?
3. How many seeds of Abraham did God promise to bring blessings through (Gal. 3:16)?

#### **Genesis 28:10-17; John 1:47-51**

4. What is the significance of “Jacob’s ladder” and how does it apply to our study?

#### **Genesis 49:8-10; Revelation 5:5**

5. Explain the illustration of the lion as it relates to Christ.
6. “Shiloh” means peace. How does this relate to Christ?

#### **Psalms 89:3-4; Acts 13:22-23**

7. What things are said of David in Psalm 89:3-4 that is significant to the coming of Christ?

#### **Isaiah 11:1, 10; Jeremiah 23:5-6; Revelation 22:16**

8. Explain the picture drawn out in the scriptures above.

#### **2 Samuel 23:1-5**

9. What is so sorrowful about the last words of David before his death?
10. Explain the details David gives about the coming of the Christ within his “last words?”

#### **Genesis 3:15; Isaiah 7:14**

11. How many of the prophecies of the coming of Jesus are miraculous?

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### Lesson 3: The Name of Christ

#### **Isaiah 42:1-4**

1. What names are given to the Messiah in Isaiah 42? What qualities would go along with these titles?

#### **Deuteronomy 18:15-19; John 6:14; Acts 3:22-26**

2. What does the name given to the Christ in Deuteronomy tell us about who He would be?

3. What does the New Testament texts above have to say about the prophecy in Deuteronomy?

#### **Zechariah 13:7; Mark 14:27**

4. Zechariah shows a different approach in the names he gives to the Christ. Explain.

5. According to Zechariah, what is the Messiah's relation to God?

#### **Isaiah 7:14**

6. What does the name "Immanuel" mean?

7. What does that name reveal about the nature of Jesus?

#### **Isaiah 9:6**

8. Why is Christ called "Counselor?"

9. In what way is the Son of God named "Everlasting Father?" Is He the same person as God the Father? Or is Christ named Father for entirely different reasons?

10. Explain the title "Prince of Peace."

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### Lesson 4: The Nature of Christ

#### **Isaiah 11:1-9**

1. Identify the nature of the Messiah from the vast amount of information given in Isaiah 11.
2. Record the seven opposing pairs that are shown in harmony with each other because of Jesus:
  - 1.
  - 2.
  - 3.
  - 4.
  - 5.
  - 6.
  - 7.
3. What is the reason for the harmony in the illustrations of verses 6-8, according to verse 9?

#### **Isaiah 42:1-4**

What attribute of Christ does Isaiah 42:2 illustrate?

Define the bruised reeds and almost extinguished flax in Isaiah 42:3. Consider these aids: Matthew 9:35-36 and Hebrews 5:2.

#### **Isaiah 61:1-3; Luke 4:14-21**

Note the actions of the Messiah towards:

- a. the poor/meek:
- b. the brokenhearted:
- c. the bound:
- d. the mournful:
- e. the heavy in spirit:

#### **Psalms 45:1-9**

What are some things this Psalm teaches us about the Christ?

Is verse two literally referring to His outward appearance?

#### **Psalms 40:6-8; Hebrews 10:5-9**

Compare the two scriptures above. How does the writer of Hebrews literally interpret the text of Psalm 40:6-8?

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Lesson 5: The Birth of Christ

**Malachi 3:1-5**

1. What is said of the Christ that is contrary to the Jewish perception of their Messiah?
2. What changes would the Christ make?

**Micah 5:2**

3. What is the fascinating significance about the birth of Christ?
4. According to Micah, would He be just another human ruler of the Jews? Explain.

**Matthew 2:1-6**

5. List two from the text that were troubled by the birth of Christ:
  - 1.
  - 2.
6. What do you think is the reason why each was troubled?
7. State the difference between Micah 5:2 and the way the scribes quote it in Matthew 2:6.

**Luke 2:8-11**

8. Does Luke 2:11 contain a contradiction to what Micah 5:2 said about the place His birth?

**John 7:42; 1 Samuel 16:1-4**

9. How do these scriptures aid us in our understanding of verse 8?

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Lesson 6: The Life of Christ

**Isaiah 9:1-2; Matthew 4:12-17**

1. According to Matthew 4:12-17, what does Isaiah 9:1-2 say about Jesus' public ministry?
2. Where would he begin His preaching?

**Isaiah 61:1-3; Acts 10:36-38**

3. Read Isaiah 61:1-3 with focus on the Holy Spirit. Do you think Peter speaks of its fulfillment in Acts 10:36-38?
4. When did Jesus receive the Holy Spirit, at His birth or baptism?

**Isaiah 35:5-6**

5. Do you think this glad description of the days of Christ literal, figurative, or both?
6. What could be a figurative explanation of the text?
7. What could be a literal explanation of the text?

**Zechariah 9:9; Matthew 21:1-11**

8. What is unique about the triumphant entrance of the Christ into the city of Jerusalem?

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Lesson 7: The Rejection of Christ

**Isaiah 53:1-3; John 1:10-11**

1. Explain Isaiah 53:1-3 in reference to John 1:10-11.
2. What did Isaiah mean by the imagery of the Christ growing as a root out of dry ground.
3. Do you think Isaiah 53:2 refers to the outside appearance of the Christ?

**Psalm 2:1-3; Acts 4:23-28**

4. Explain Psalm 2:1-3 with the New Testament details.

**Zechariah 11:12-13; Matthew 26:14-16, 27:3-10**

5. Consider Matthew 26:14-16 and Matthew 27:3-10 in relation to Zechariah 11:12-13. What does this statement mean: “seeing that He had been condemned?”

6. Why is the name Jeremiah used when Zechariah made the prophecy?

7. Was Judas buried in the potter’s field? (Acts 1:16-20)

8. Did Judas repent? (Matthew 27:3)

**Zechariah 13:7; Matthew 26:31**

9. According to Zechariah, what happened to the disciples of Christ when He was rejected?



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Lesson 8: The Death of Christ

**Daniel 9:26**

1. What kind of death is indicated by Gabriel?

**Psalms 22:11-21**

2. What kind of death is indicated by the Psalmist?

3. What thoughts about the people surrounding Christ can be found from the psalmist's use of animal imagery?

Bulls:

Lions:

Dogs:

Unicorns (NKJV: wild oxen):

**Isaiah 53:4-9**

4. Isaiah records the spiritual side of the event. Explain.

5. What does Isaiah mean by "He was numbered with the transgressors?"

**Isaiah 50:6**

6. What event is this text speaking of? (Mark 15:15-20)

**Psalms 22:6-8**

7. Explain this statement: "I am a worm, and no man."

**Psalms 22:1, 24**

8. What is the alleged contradiction of these two verses?

**Psalms 34:20**

8. What is fascinating about this prophecy? (Consider also: John 19:31-36)

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Lesson 9: The Resurrection of Christ

**Isaiah 53:10-12**

1. What clue does Isaiah 53:10-12 give us that the Christ will be resurrected after His sufferings?

2. Who sacrificed the Christ?

**Psalm 2:7; Acts 2:26-33**

3. "Today I have begotten You" refers to what certain day?

4. Why is this day considered the son's birth?

**Psalm 16:10; Acts 2:22-32; Acts 13:34-37**

5. What is the difference between the death of David and the death of Christ?

6. What are the "sure mercies of David" (Acts 13:34)

**Psalm 68:18; Ephesians 4:8-10.**

7. Give an explanation of Psalm 68:18 based on the knowledge given to us in Ephesians 4:8-10.

8. Are the gifts of the Holy Spirit the subject of the gifts referred to in these scriptures?

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Lesson 10: The Kingdom of Christ

**Genesis 49:10**

1. What does this early prophecy speak of in reference to the kingdom of Christ?

**Psalm 2:6-12**

2. Who chose the King?

3. As to the extent of the kingdom, how many nations and people does the King have a right to?

4. What is the meaning of Psalm 2:9?

**Psalm 45:6**

5. In this verse, who is addressing who?

**Psalm 110**

6. According to this Psalm, who are citizens of the kingdom?

7. How is Christ a Priest if he came not from the tribe of Levi?

8. What similarities are found in Christ and Melchizedek?

**Daniel 2:31-35, 44-45; 7:9-27**

9. What does Daniel teach us about the extent of the kingdom, and its greatness?

10. What does Daniel 7 say about the duration of the kingdom?

**Isaiah 2:2-4**

11. Give some thoughts about the kingdom portrayed as a mountain?