

Messianic Prophecies of the Bible

REVIEW OF KEY POINTS

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- ANCESTRY OF CHRIST
- BIRTH OF CHRIST
- DEATH OF CHRIST
- RESURRECTION OF CHRIST
- TYPOLOGY OF CHRIST IN ADAM, ISAAC, MOSES, DAVID

***for more detailed coverage of each topic refer to part 1 - part 7 notes from Messianic Prophecies of the Bible series.*

--the message of the New Testament is rooted in the Old Testament...

--when the apostle Paul stood on trial before king Agrippa he explained that he taught "no other things than those which the prophets and Moses said would come – that the Christ would suffer, that He would be the first to rise from the dead, and would proclaim light to the Jewish people and to the Gentiles." (Acts 26:22-23)

--ANCESTRY OF CHRIST

--one of the most notable prophecies of Christ's ancestry was that He would be a descendant of King David and through Him David's throne would be established forever.

--the Messiah's link to king David was deeply embedded in the Jewish conscience and for that reason Paul wrote to Timothy, "Remember that **Jesus Christ of the seed of David was raised from the dead!**" (2 Timothy 2:8)

--earlier in 2 Timothy Paul wrote, "Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me His prisoner, but share with me in the sufferings for the gospel according to the power of God, 9 who has saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace which was given to us in Christ Jesus before time began, 10 but has now been revealed by the appearing of **our Savior Jesus Christ, who has abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel**, 11 to which I was appointed a preacher, an apostle, and a teacher of the Gentiles. 12 For this reason I also suffer these things; nevertheless I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep what I have committed to Him until that Day."

--meticulous genealogical records were kept in Jerusalem, but all the records were lost in 70 A.D. when the Roman general Titus destroyed Jerusalem and burned the Jewish temple... Therefore after 70 A.D. nobody could prove that they were a descendant of David, and thus the prophetic doorway for the Messiah to enter the world was closed shortly after Jesus Christ lived!

--THE BIRTH OF CHRIST

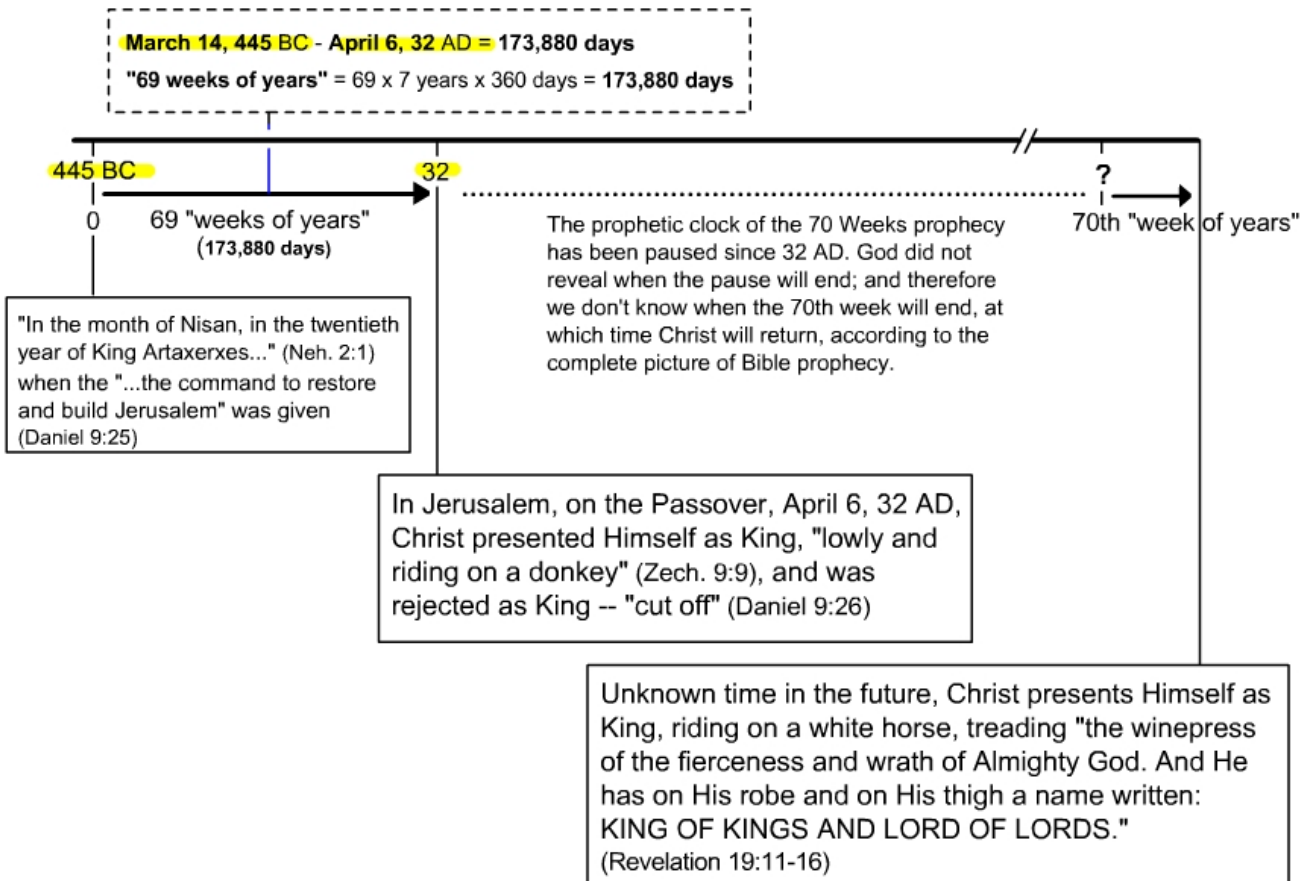
--the virgin birth

--the concept of the Seed of the woman in Genesis 3:15 speaks of the virgin birth of Christ.

--only in this passage is the concept of the Seed of the woman found as the traditional concept is the seed of the man, but because Christ was born of a virgin He was the Seed of a woman.

--the timing of Christ's birth

--the timing of His birth set the stage for the fulfillment of Daniel's 70 weeks prophecy (the portion of the 70 weeks prophecy that foretold the time when Christ would be rejected as King)



--THE DEATH OF CHRIST

--of the many passages that speak of the specific circumstances of Christ's death, Isaiah 53 is most dramatic...

--Isaiah 53: "... 2 And when we see Him, There is no beauty that we should desire Him. 3 He is despised and rejected by men, A Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief. 6 ...And **the LORD has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.** 7 He was oppressed and He was afflicted, Yet He opened not His mouth; **He was led as a lamb to the slaughter,**"

--*The Da Vinci Code* tries to make a case that the concept of Jesus Christ dying on a cross to bear our sins is nothing more than fiction made up centuries after the life of Christ; but this concept was written in **Isaiah 53 approximately 700 years** before the life of Christ and **memorialized by the sacrificial system for over 1500 years** before Christ... >>>(Mt. Sinai approx 1500 BC)

--THE RESURRECTION OF CHRIST

--Old Testament prophecy presented two portraits of the Messiah that appeared to be a contradiction, that of the "Suffering Servant" and that of the "Conquering King."

--the only way He could fulfill both portraits is if He lived two lives, which implied that there must be a resurrection.
 --at Christ's first coming He died as the Suffering Servant.
 --because of His resurrection and ascension back to heaven He will return again as the Conquering King.

--the Suffering Servant...

--see Isaiah 53

--the Conquering King...

--Daniel 7:9-14: "I watched till thrones were put in place, And the Ancient of Days [*God the Father, as clarified by verse 13*] was seated; His garment was white as snow, And the hair of His head was like pure wool. His throne was a fiery flame, Its wheels a burning fire; 10 A fiery stream issued And came forth from before Him. A thousand thousands ministered to Him; Ten thousand times ten thousand stood before Him. The court was seated, And the books were opened. 11 "I watched then because of the sound of the pompous words which the horn was speaking; I watched till the beast was slain, and its body destroyed and given to the burning flame. 12 As for the rest of the beasts, they had their dominion taken away, yet their lives were prolonged for a season and a time. 13 "I was watching in the night visions, And behold, **One like the Son of Man, Coming with the clouds of heaven!** He came to the Ancient of Days, And they brought Him [*the Messiah as the Conquering King*] near before Him [*God the Father*]. 14 Then to Him [*the Messiah*] was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, That all peoples, nations, and languages should serve Him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion, Which shall not pass away, And His kingdom the one Which shall not be destroyed."

--see also: Psalms 2:7-9; Isaiah 11:1-10; Isaiah 9:6-7

--TYPOLOGY OF CHRIST IN ADAM

--in Romans 5:14b the apostle Paul identified Adam as a type of Christ: "... **Adam, who is a type of Him who was to come.**"

--a the very beginning of history we see in the fall of Adam and Eve a profound insight into the nature salvation... the profound effect of one man's obedience (the obedience of Christ) making salvation possible for the entire race is foreshadowed by the effect of one man's disobedience plunging the entire human race into the fall.

--Romans 5:18-19: "Therefore, as **through one man's offense** judgment came to all men, resulting in condemnation, even so **through one Man's righteous act** the free gift came to all men, resulting in justification of life. 19 For as **by one man's disobedience** many were made sinners, so also **by one Man's obedience** many will be made righteous."

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--"by one man's disobedience... by one Man's obedience..."

--Adam is the head of fallen humanity and Christ is the head of redeemed humanity (Christ is the head of the church).

--Colossians 1:18: "He is the head of the body, the church, which is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead."

--TYPOLOGY OF CHRIST IN ISAAC

--Genesis 22:1-5: "Now it came to pass after these things that God tested Abraham, and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." 2 Then He said, "**Take now your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah,** and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you."

--approximately 2000 years later God would send His only Son whom He loved to the land of Moriah to be sacrificed as an offering for sin of all mankind!

--the land of Moriah was the general area where Jerusalem was later build

--TYPOLOGY OF CHRIST IN MOSES

--in the life of Moses Christ was seen as **the coming "Prophet."**

--Deuteronomy 18:15-20: "[*Moses told Israel*] The LORD your **God will raise up for you a Prophet like me** from your midst, from your brethren.... 17 "And the LORD said to me:'What they have spoken is good. 18 I will raise up for them a Prophet like you from among their brethren, and will put My words in His mouth, and He shall speak to them all that I command Him. 19 And it shall be that whoever will not hear My words, which He speaks in My name, I will require it of him.

--who could be "a Prophet like" Moses through whom all Israel was delivered from slavery in Egypt and through whom all the Law – the very constitution of Israel - was given? It could be none other than Jesus Christ.

--Moses and Christ stand as the two pillars of revelation in all the Bible – "For the law was given through Moses, but grace and truth came through Jesus Christ." (John 1:17)

Moses delivered Israel from slavery in Egypt	and gave Israel the law.
Jesus delivers from slavery to sin	and gave us the gospel of salvation

--even though Christ is "like" Moses, He is infinitely greater than Moses – "For this One has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses, **inasmuch as He who built the house has more honor than the house.**" (Hebrews 3:3)

--Deuteronomy 18:15 was most likely one of the passages that Philip had in mind shortly after Christ called him at the Sea of Galilee...

--"The following day Jesus wanted to go to Galilee, and He found Philip and said to him, "Follow Me." 44 Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. 45 Philip found Nathanael and said to him, '**We have found Him of whom Moses in the law, and also the prophets, wrote** – Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.'" (John 1:43-45)

--TYPOLOGY OF CHRIST IN KING DAVID

--2 Samuel 7:12-16 records God's promise to David that He would establish David's throne forever

--think what a radical concept that would have been... against the backdrop of the rise and fall of world powers God would miraculously preserve David's throne so that someone would sit on it forever!

--this prophecy will be fulfilled through the eternal reign of Christ

--under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit David alluded to the fulfillment through Christ when he wrote Psalms 16:9-11. In Acts 2:14-26 Peter explains the prophetic meaning of this passage.

--David was once a king in exile as Jesus Christ is now the King in exile...

--one of David's favorite sons, Absalom, plotted to steal the throne from David and make himself king over Israel. For a short time Absalom succeeded and forced David into exile, but soon thereafter Absalom's army was defeated by the army that remained loyal to David.

--in this picture David's favored son Absalom was a type of Satan who was once the anointed cherub

--when Jesus rode into Jerusalem and proclaimed Himself to be King rather than receiving him as their King the Jewish leaders and Roman government crucified Him.... now Satan is the "ruler of this world" and Jesus is in heaven waiting until the day He will return and dethrone Satan!

--in the words of Hebrews 10:12-13, after rising from the grave Jesus returned to heaven and "sat down at the right hand of God [*the Father*], 13 **from that time waiting till His**

enemies are made His footstool [*a metaphor for defeating his enemies*]." (Hebrews 10:12-13)

--in John 14:30 Jesus called Satan the "ruler of this world."

--2 Corinthians 4:3-4 refers to Satan as "the god of this age" – "But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, 4 whose minds the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe..."

--2 Timothy 2:26: "[*those who are unsaved have*] been taken captive by him [*Satan*] to do his will."

Even though Jesus is exiled from this world, He is King on the throne of our hearts... and if the King on the throne in our hearts is not at home in this world how can we expect to be at home in this world?

--Colossians 3:1-7: "If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. 2 Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth. 3 **For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. 4 When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory.** 5 Therefore put to death your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. 6 Because of these things the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience, 7 in which you yourselves once walked when you lived in them."