

"The Prophets Identified Him as GOD" Series Title: You Can's Take CHRIST out of Christmas

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"No prophecy was ever made by an act of human will, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God." 2 Peter 1:21 (NIV)

The historical accuracy of every prophesy concerning Jesus Christ's birth and life demonstrate that every word of the Bible is true and accurate.

## **PROPHECIES OF HIS BIRTH**

His place of birth

<u>Prophesy</u> – "But you, Bethlehem...out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel" Micah 5:2

Fulfillment - "Jesus was born in Bethlehem" Matt 2:1

His virgin birth

<u>Prophesy</u> – "The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel." Isa 7:14

<u>Fulfillment</u> – The angel said to Mary, "You will be with child and give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus... "How will this be," Mary asked the angel, 'since I am a virgin?'" "The Angel answered, 'The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you." Luke 1:31, 34

Names given to Him at Birth

Immanuel, Isa 7:14, Matt 1:22-23, King, Jer 23:5, Matt 2:2, Son of God, Hosea 11:1, Matt 2:15, Wonderful, Counselor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace, Isa 9:6, Acts 2:22, Eph 1:11, Col 1:29, Jn 12:34, Jn 16:33.

## **PROPHECIES OF HIS CHARACTER**

His righteousness

<u>Prophesy</u> – "By his knowledge my righteous servant will justify many." Isa 53:11

Fulfillment – "He is righteous." 1 Jn 3:7

His forgiveness

<u>Prophesy</u> – "For You, Lord, are good, and ready to forgive, and abundant in mercy to all those who call upon You." Ps 86:5 (NKJV)

<u>Fulfillment</u> – "But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins..." Matt 9:6,

His love

<u>Prophesy</u> – "In his love and mercy he redeemed them." Isa 63:9 <u>Fulfillment</u> – "Jesus knew that the time had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he now showed them the full extent of his love." Jn 13:1

## **PROPHESIES OF HIS DUAL NATURE**

Son of God – His Deity

Prophesy – "The mighty God." Isa 9:6

<u>Fulfillment</u> – "And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased."" Matt 3:17

Son of Man – His humanity

<u>Prophesy</u> – "In my vision at night I looked, and there before me was one like a son of man, coming with the clouds of heavens." Dan 7:13 <u>Fulfillment</u> – "For the Son of man is Lord of the Sabbath." Matt 12:8

## PROPHESIES OF HIS DEATH AND RESURRECTION

His death

<u>Prophesy</u> – "But He was pierced for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed." Isa 53:5 <u>Fulfillment</u> – "Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures." 1 Cor 15:3

His resurrection

<u>Prophesy</u> – "After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will restore us, that we may live in his presence." Hosea 6:2 <u>Fulfillment</u> – "and that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures." 1 Cor 15:4

What Does ALL of this Mean?

- Jesus is GOD
- If you know Jesus Christ as your SAVIOR, God lives in you

The question is, "What is Jesus doing through you to touch lives, heal broken hearts, and lead people to know the love of Christ?"