

THE DOCTRINE OF CHRIST PART 2

WHO IS JESUS CHRIST?

PART 1B – HUMAN ORIGINS

B. JESUS – THE PROPHESIED MESSIAH OF SCRIPTURE

In the Old Testament Scripture, God promised through their prophets that He would restore the Kingdom of David and establish a Kingdom that would never end.

2 SAMUEL 7:

16 Your house and your kingdom will endure forever before me; your throne will be established forever.

They believed that God would send them a Savior, like their leaders of old, but much greater. He was to be born a king from the line of David that Old Testament referred to as the Anointed One, or in Hebrew, The Messiah.

Jesus came in fulfillment of the hundreds of prophecies in the Old Testament concerning the Messiah. He is indeed the Savior that was promised by God to His people.

Jesus and OT Prophecies

1. He would be born in Bethlehem – Micah 5:2
2. Would have a forerunner – Isaiah 40:3, Malachi 3:1, 4:5
3. Enter Jerusalem on a donkey – Zechariah 9:9
4. Betrayed by a friend – Psalm 41:9
5. His betrayer would be given 30 pieces of silver – Zechariah 11:12
6. The money would be thrown into the Temple and used to buy a potter's field – Zechariah 11:13
7. He would be silent before His accusers – Isaiah 53:7
8. His hands and feet would be pierced – Psalm 22:16, Zechariah 12:10

"I read the prophecies with growing fascination. They told how the Messiah would come. Where he would be born. Under what circumstances. What he would do. How people would react to him. How he would die. When he would die. What would happen after he died."
– Stanley Telchin, author, businessman, and Jewish Christian pastor

The odds for someone to fulfill just a few of the prophecies are hugely astronomical, and yet Jesus, and Jesus alone fulfilled all of them.

"We find that the chance that any man might have lived down to the present time and fulfilled all eight prophecies is 1 in 10¹⁷ [10 to the 17th power]. That would be 1 in 100,000,000,000,000,000 (17 zeroes after the one)."
– Mathematician Peter Stoner, *Science Speaks*

Note that Jesus fulfilled more than **300 prophecies concerning the Messiah!**



"The odds alone say it would be impossible for anyone to fulfill Old Testament prophecies. Yet Jesus – and only Jesus throughout all of history – managed to do it."
– Louis Lapidès, Jewish pastor and theologian

Importance and significance of Jesus' human origins:

- ⇒ It shows us that Jesus lived in history and that Christianity is grounded on real events with actual people, and not myths. Our faith is anchored in history, truth, and power.
- ⇒ It reveals that our faith is rooted in the Old Testament Jewish Scriptures and the God that it reveals – the One True God who created the Heavens and the Earth.
- ⇒ It also reminds us that Jesus lived a human life to show us how to live our lives in a way that pleases God.

LUKE 24:

46 He told them, "This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day,

47 and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

48 You are witnesses of these things.