

Jesus is the Messiah---Jesus is the anointed one.

Anointed to do what?

To Create:

In the beginning the Word already existed. The Word was with God, and the Word was God. He existed in the beginning with God. God created everything through him, and nothing was created except through him. The Word gave life to everything that was created, and his life brought light to everyone. John 1:1-4

Word→Logos:first used 600 years before Jesus was born to designate the divine reason or plan which coordinates a changing universe

To Rescue:

He came into the very world he created, but the world didn't recognize him. He came to his own people, and even they rejected him. But to all who believed him and accepted him, he gave the right to become children of God. John 1:10-12

¹¹ When he sees all that is accomplished by his anguish, he will be satisfied. And because of his experience, my righteous servant *will make it possible for many to be counted righteous, for he will bear all their sins.* Isaiah 53:10-11

To Reveal God:

God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." And he said, "Say this to the people of Israel: 'I AM has sent me to you. Thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations. Ex 3:14

I AM the [Bread of Life](#) (John 6:35)--- the [Light of the World](#) (John 8:12)---the [Door](#) (John 10:9) ---the [Good Shepherd](#) (John 10:11,14) --- [the Vine](#) (John 15:1,5)--- the [Resurrection and the Life](#) (John 11:25) --- the [Way and the Truth and the Life](#) (John 14:6)

Jesus told them, "Go back to John and tell him what you have heard and seen—the blind see, the lame walk, those with leprosy are cured, the deaf hear, the dead are raised to life, and the Good News is being preached to the poor." And he added, "God blesses those who do not fall away because of me. Matthew 11:4-6

⁵ And when he comes, he will open the eyes of the blind and unplug the ears of the deaf. The lame will leap like a deer, and those who cannot speak will sing for joy. Isaiah 35:5-6

The Messiah as planned long ago

And I will cause hostility between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring. He (the messiah) will strike your head, and you will strike his heel." Genesis 3:15

Where He will come from

¹⁴ All right then, the Lord himself will give you the sign. Look! The virgin will conceive a child! She will give birth to a son and will call him Immanuel (which means 'God is with us'). Isaiah 7:14

² But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, are only a small village among all the people of Judah. Yet a ruler of Israel, whose origins are in the distant past, will come from you on my behalf. Micah 5:2

What the messiah will do

Nevertheless, that time of darkness and despair will not go on forever. ⁴ For you will break the yoke of their slavery and lift the heavy burden from their shoulders.

He will swallow up death forever! The Sovereign LORD will wipe away all tears. He will remove forever all insults and mockery against his land and people. The LORD has spoken! Isaiah 25:7-8

"Look at my servant, whom I strengthen. He is my chosen one, who pleases me. I have put my Spirit upon him. He will bring justice to the nations. ² He will not shout or raise his voice in public. ³ He will not crush the weakest reed or put out a flickering candle. He will bring justice to all who have been wronged. Isaiah 42:1-3

He came as a common man to common people:

⁹ Rejoice, O people of Zion! Shout in triumph, O people of Jerusalem!

Look, your king is coming to you. He is righteous and victorious, yet he is humble, riding on a donkey—riding on a donkey's colt. Zechariah 9:9

The stone that the builders rejected has now become the cornerstone. Psalm 118:22

Looking ahead to us today/tomorrow

²⁴ Then Jesus said to his disciples, "If any of you wants to be my follower, you must give up your own way, take up your cross, and follow me. ²⁵ If you try to hang on to your life, you will lose it. But if you give up your life for my sake, you will save it. ²⁶ And what do you benefit if you gain the whole world but lose your own soul? Is anything worth more than your soul? Matthew 16:24-26

And so, dear brothers and sisters, I plead with you to give your bodies to God because of all he has done for you. Let them be a living and holy sacrifice—the kind he will find acceptable. This is truly the way to worship him. ² Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect Romans 12:1-2