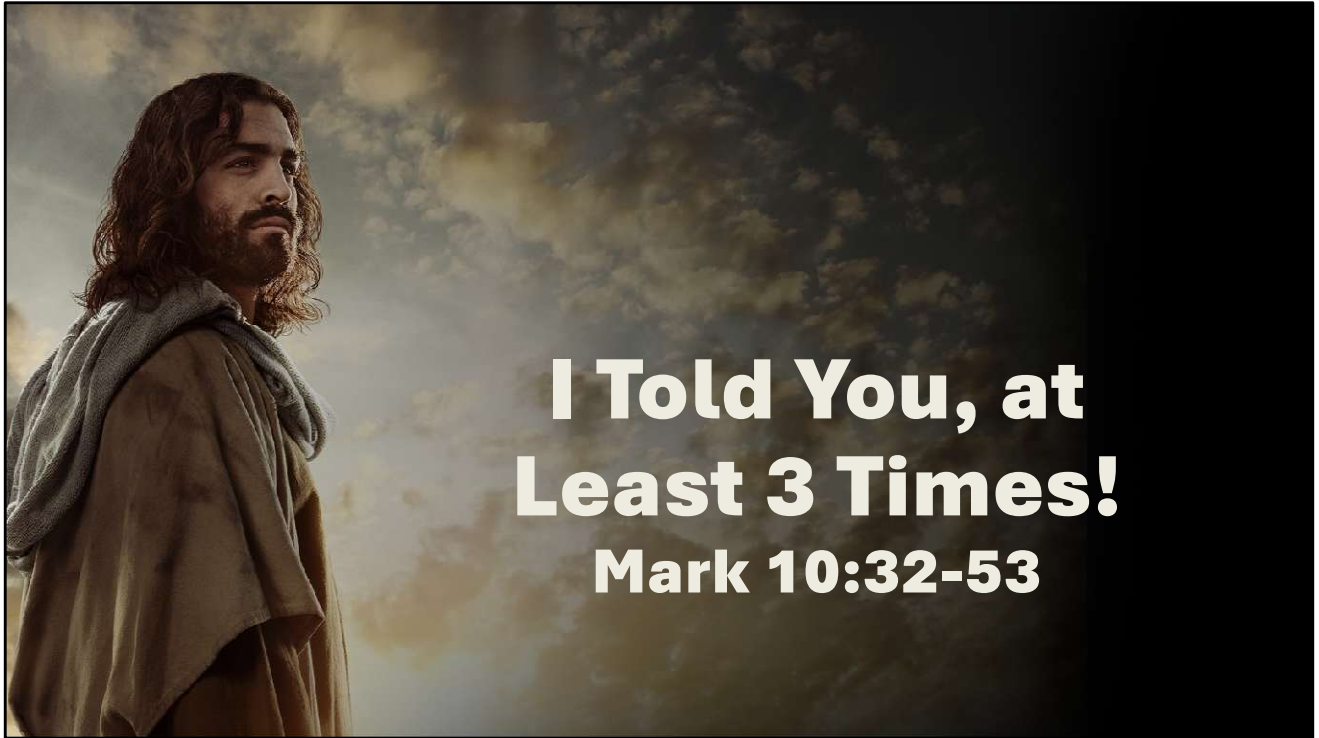




**The Messiah
We
Didn't
Expect**



**I Told You, at
Least 3 Times!**
Mark 10:32-53



Heb 1:1-3 Long ago, at many times and in many ways, **God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, 2 but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son**, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. 3 He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,

Im going to give you until the count of 3!!

Prophecies!!! One of our greatest arguments for Jesus as Messiah!

Scripture!

Jesus, the Living Word

the Son of Man

- Mark 8:31 – And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again.



Jesus explicitly stated and warned of His impending Execution, death and Resurrection! At least 3 times, (Some say 6) and other inferences

the Son of Man, is the primary title Jesus used when referring to Himself (e.g., [Matthew 12:32](#); [13:37](#); [Luke 12:8](#); [John 1:51](#)). used over 80 times emphasizing his humanity, humility, and role as the divine Messiah

[Dan 7:13](#) "I saw in the night visions, and behold, with the clouds of heaven there came one like a son of man, and he came to the Ancient of Days and was presented before him.

Here are Mark 8 & 9

In Each of the 3 texts:

1. **Jesus was explicitly Teaching!** He wanted them to learn something', they didn't get it and it led to personal disaster for them, cowardice, abandonment, fear
2. Each of these texts used **the phrase “Son of Man”**, Certainly He was taking our place
3. **Killed!**
4. **Rejected, Delivered, Hands of men**
5. **After 3 days rise again!**

Some will argue Jesus didn't explicitly state crucifixion, not in these texts but in others He does!

Ch.8 suffer many things, rejected by Elders, chief priests, scribes (Jews)

Ch.9 delivered into hands of men (all men, Romans too)

Ch.10 Jerusalem! Chief priests scribes, Gentiles. They will mock, spit, flog

Jerusalem –

Temple Passover Sacrifice – A lamb!

Jn.10, A cleansing - [Mat 21:12, -27](#),

Examining the Lamb for faults/flaws [Mat 22:46](#)

the Son of Man

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“...and after three days rise again.”

Mark 9:31

“...and after three days he will rise.”

Mark 10:34

“...Three days later he will rise.”

Mark 14:28

“But after I have risen,
I will go ahead of you into Galilee.”

Mark 8

Mark 9

Mark 10

Mark 14 I Will RISE, a 4th time

Just in Mark, the other synoptic accounts have the same and John has his own accounts

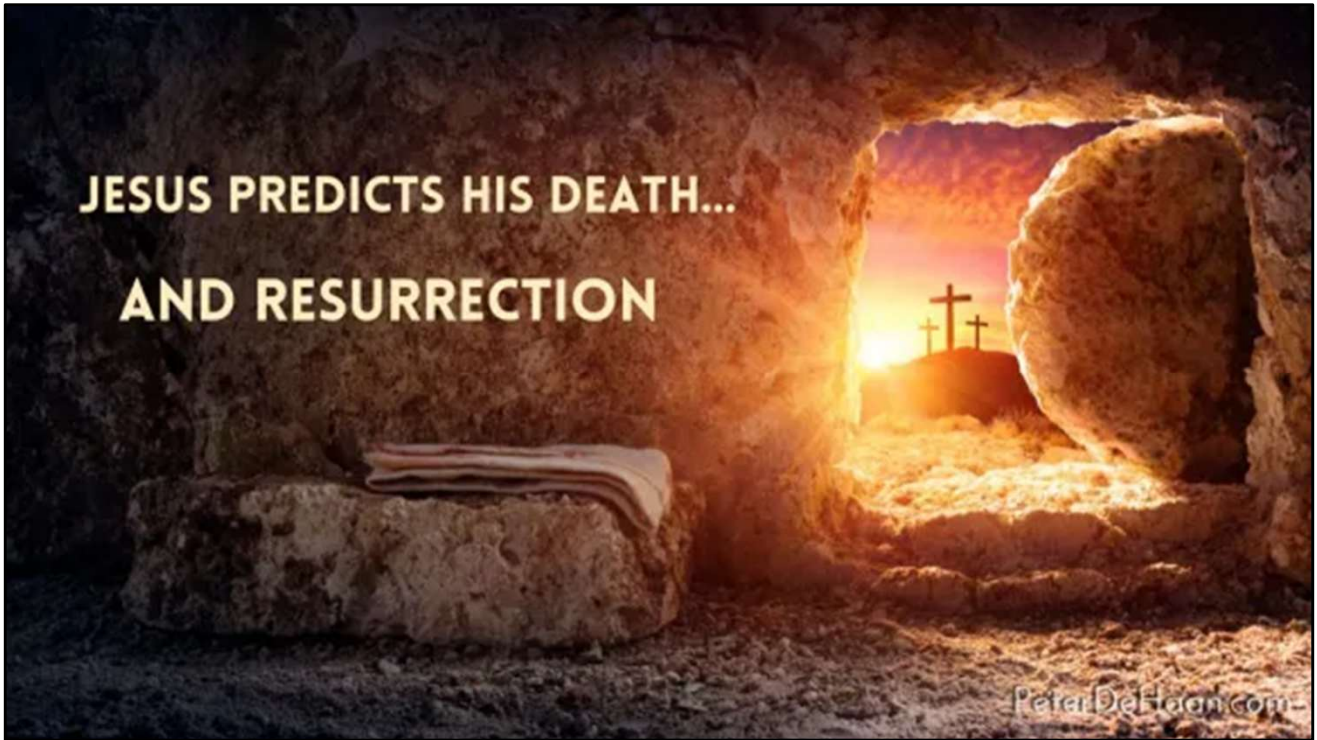
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- Mark 10:33-34 – saying, “See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death and deliver him over to the Gentiles. And they will mock him and spit on him, and flog him and kill him. And after three days he will rise.”

Today's Text, with Passion week on the Horizon, only months or weeks away

[Jhn 10:18 ESV] 18 No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father.“

**JESUS PREDICTS HIS DEATH...
AND RESURRECTION**



Who can do that?

All 4 Gospels declare his coming D/B/R

- Mark 8:31 = Matthew 16:21-22 = Luke 9:22
- Mark 9:31-34 = Matthew 17:22-23 = Luke 9:43-46
- Mark 10:32-34 = Matthew 20:17-19 = Luke 18:31-34
- John too
 - John 3:14 – lifted up the serpent in the wilderness
 - John 12:7, 23-27, 32-34 – for the day of my burial

All the accounts place these prophecies late in the story, near the end

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Mark 10:32-34 = Matt 20:17-19 = Lk 18:31-34

Jn.3 was at beginning of Jesus' ministry, He used the famous serpent event in Numbers/Wilderness

John 2:19-22, Mt.26:60-61, 27:40

John 3:14-15

John 7:6, 8, 30; 33-36, 8:20-21; 12:23

John 10:11, 15, 17-18

John 11:25

John 12:7, 23-25, 27, 32-34

John 14:1-5, 28-29

John 15:13, 24-25

Jhn 2:19-22 Jesus answered them, "**Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.**" 20 The Jews then said, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will **you raise it up in three days?**" 21 But he was speaking about the temple of his body. 22 **When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this,** and they believed the Scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

[Mat 26:60-61 but they found none, **though many false witnesses came forward.** At last two came forward 61 and said, "**This man said, 'I am able to destroy the temple of God, and to rebuild it in three days.'**"

[Mat 27:40 ESV] 40 and saying, "**You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross.**"

[Jhn 3:14-15 ESV] 14 And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, **so must the Son of Man be lifted up,** 15 that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

[Jhn 7:6, 8, 30 ESV] 6 Jesus said to them, "**My time has not yet come,** but your time is always here. ... 8 You go up to the feast. I am not going up to this feast, for my time has not yet fully come." ... 30 So they were seeking to arrest him, but no one laid a hand on him, because his hour had not yet come.

[Jhn 8:20-21 ESV] 20 These words he spoke in the treasury, as he taught in the temple; but no one arrested him, because **his hour had not yet come.** 21 So he said to them again, "I am going away, and you will seek me, and you will die in your sin. Where I am going, you cannot come."

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[Jhn 11:25 ESV] 25 Jesus said to her, "**I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me**, though he die, yet shall he live,

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[Jhn 14:1-5, 28-29 ESV] 1 "Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. 2 In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that **I go to prepare a place for you?** 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. 4 And you know the way to where I am going." 5 Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" ... 28 You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I will come to you.' If you loved me, you would have rejoiced, because I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. 29 And **now I have told you before it takes place, so that when it does take place you may believe.**

[Jhn 15:13, 24-25 ESV] 13 **Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends.** ... 24 If I had not done among them the works that no one else did, they would not be guilty of sin, but now they have seen and hated both me and my Father. 25 But the word that is written in their Law must be fulfilled: 'They hated me without a cause.'

Mt.12:40, 20:28, 26:2, 27:63

Mk.

Lk. 9:31, 24:25-27, 44-47

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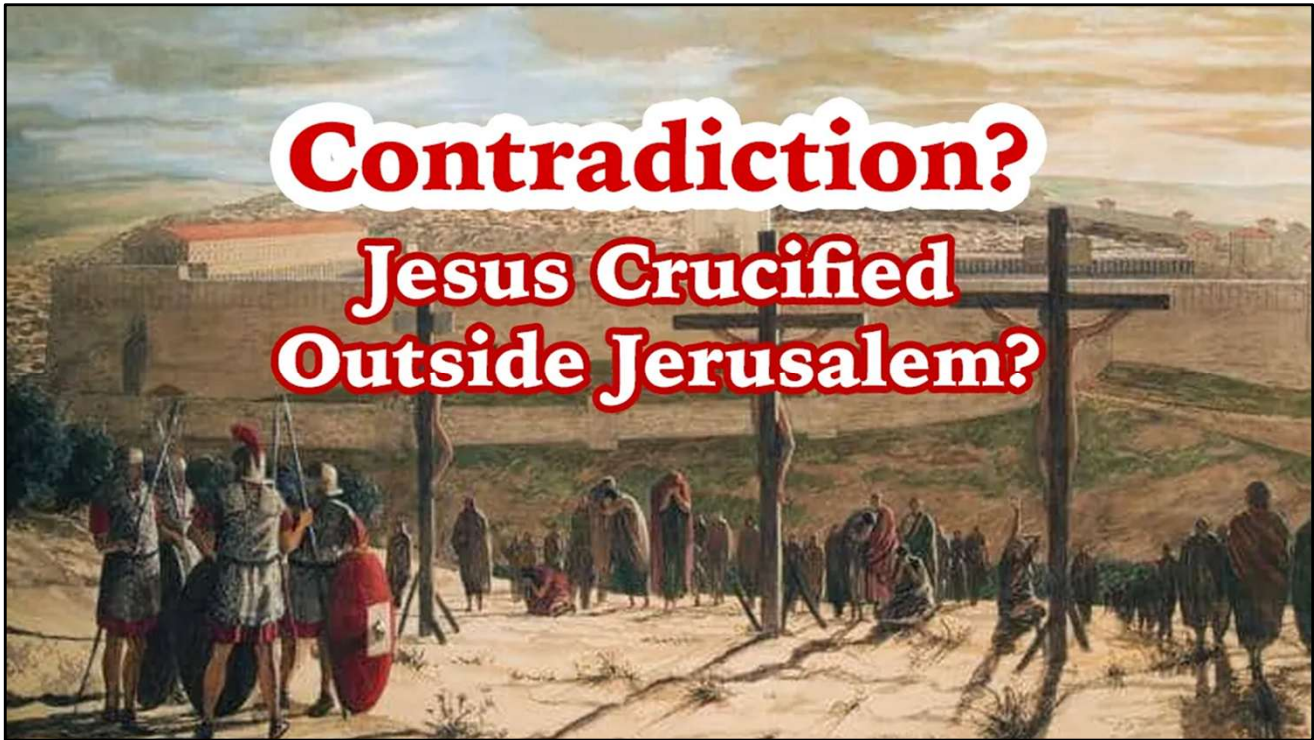
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[Luk 9:31 ESV] 31 who appeared in glory and spoke of his departure, **which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem.**

[Luk 24:25-27, 44-47 ESV] 25 And he said to them, "O foolish ones, and **slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken!** 26 **Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?"** 27 **And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.** ... 44 Then he said to them, "**These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled.**" 45 Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, 46 and said to them, "**Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead,** 47 and that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem.



[**Heb 13:11-13** ESV] 11 For the bodies of those animals whose blood is brought into the holy places by the high priest **as a sacrifice for sin are burned outside the camp.** 12 **So Jesus also suffered outside the gate in order to sanctify the people through his own blood.** 13 **Therefore let us go to him outside the camp and bear the reproach he endured.**

Outside the city!

Is this why the name of Jerusalem was NOT predicted as much?

Since His crucifixion was JUST outside the city

What's the point? Against all Odds!

1. Jesus predicted Killed – not natural or accidental
2. He would Suffer – mocked, spit, flogged ...
3. Where! Jerusalem. Still, He chooses to go there!
4. By Whom? Jewish Leaders, should have known
5. Delivered – by Judas, a friend, By Jews to Romans

Observations: What's the point of these predictions?

1. So Jesus predicted He would be Killed (not natural death! Or a Quick, suffering free death) **Not stoning, , stabbing or otherwise! Not 'murder' but execution (Mockery of justice) NOT Suicide!!**
2. He would Suffer – mocked, spit upon, Flogged stated...**not prophesied by Jesus – Punches, Crown of thorns...Humanity! Wrath! Isa.53. The others crucified weren't spit or mocked.**
3. In Jerusalem, But He still goes there??! He previously avoided Jerusalem when he knew they were going to kill Him! Jn.7.
4. By the Jewish Leaders; the elders and the chief priests and the scribes Mt.16 (Sanhedrin) Rejected by those who should've known best. [Jhn 1:11](#)
5. Delivered – Judas to Sanhedrin, Jews to Romans! Gentiles! Even though the Jews sought to stone him, against the law, Jesus was executed by Roman law, Who declared no fault in Him!
6. Raised/Rise 3rd Day! Not any other day! Even the Pharisees remembered that, but NOT the Disciples! Who can predict their own Resurrection???! And the Day!! Jesus Knew all along!
7. How did the Disciples not know and prepare for the Passion?
8. It was the reason He came! **Born to Die!**

They tried to throw Him off a cliff – Luke 4:16–30

The Jews picked up stones - John 8:48–59

the Jews picked up stones to stone Jesus to death - John 10:31–39.

By my reckoning, Jesus is opposed once for eating with sinners (2:16), once for upsetting stereotypes about him in his hometown (6:3), a few times for violating Jewish scruples about the law (2:24; 3:6; 7:5); and several times for “blaspheming” or for claiming too much authority for himself (2:7; 3:22; 11:27-28; 14:53-64; 15:29-32, 39). As Mark’s Gospel unfolds, we see the Jewish leaders increasingly hostile toward Jesus. Although the fear of the crowds stays their hand for awhile, they still try to trap Jesus and plot his destruction (8:11; 11:18; 12:12; 12:13; 14:1; 15:3, 11). **There is a lot the Jewish leaders don’t like about Jesus, but their most intense, murderous fury is directed toward him because he believes “I am [the Christ, the Son of the Blessed], and you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power, and coming with the clouds of heaven” (14:62).** Kevin DeYoung

[Matt. 26:57-68](#); [Mark 14:53-65](#); [Luke 22:66-71](#); and less clearly in [John 18:19-24](#)). **In short, they killed Jesus because they thought he was a blasphemer.**

The Scripture is clear Blasphemy should be punished by Stoning - [Lev 24:16 ESV] 16 Whoever blasphemes the name of the LORD shall surely be put to death. All the congregation shall stone him. The sojourner as well as the native, when he blasphemes the Name, shall be put to death.

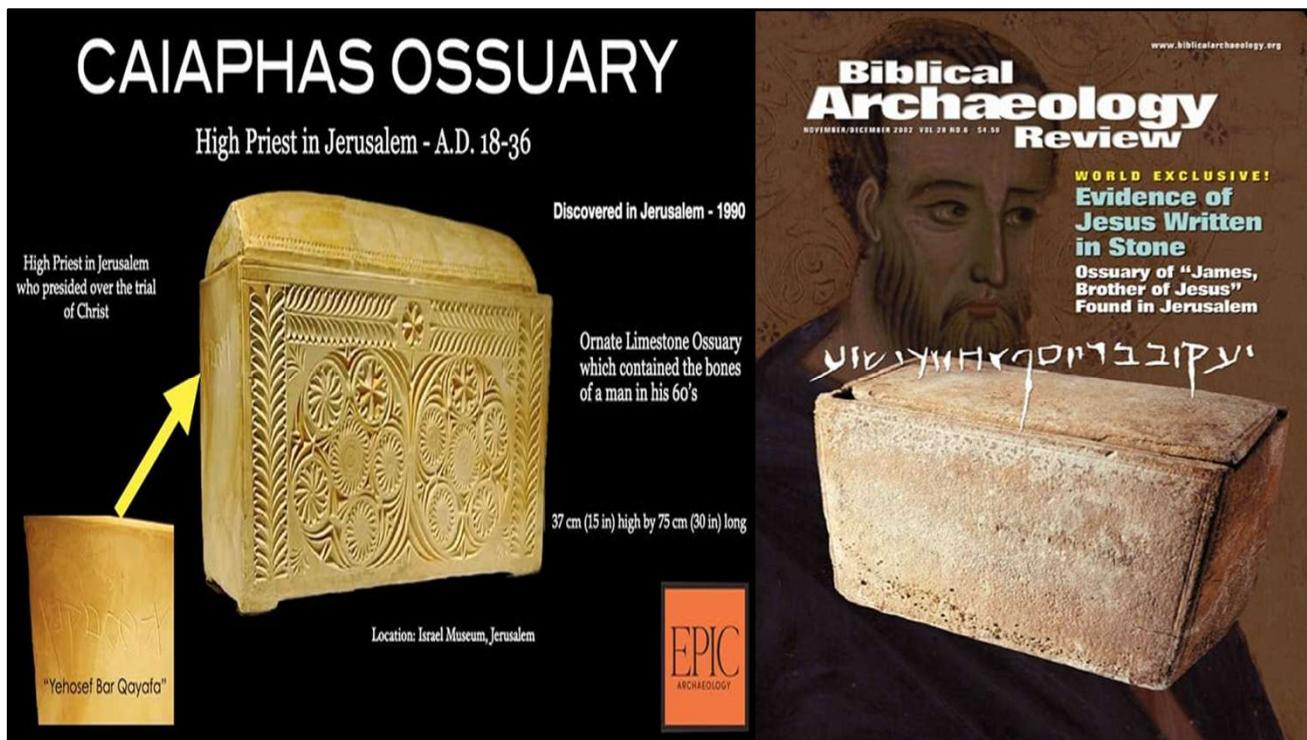
Killed! After Pilate declared him Innocent 3x. Killed; Not for theft, Murder or even sedition, but Blasphemy. Pilate previously said that religious affairs were not his problem!

[Jhn 18:29-32 ESV] 29 So Pilate went outside to them and said, "What accusation do you bring against this man?" 30 They answered him, "If this man were not doing evil, we would not have delivered him over to you." 31 Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and judge him by your own law." The Jews said to him, "It is not lawful for us to put anyone to death." 32 This was to fulfill the word that Jesus had spoken to show by what kind of death he was going to die.

Suffer –

Against all odds! Jesus fulfilled 100's of scriptures

Against all Odds, He saved you and me!



In the last 35 yrs, Archaeology has discovered more affirmations of the Biblical record!

CAIAPHAS OSSUARY— Hebrew: יוסף בר קיפא, romanized: Yōsēf bar Qayyāfā; Koinē Greek: Καϊάφας, romanized: Kaiāphas — **In 1990 this ornate limestone ossuary was discovered in Jerusalem** in a tomb which was in use during the Second Temple Period. The ossuary was inscribed with the name “Joseph son of Caiaphas,” **the exact name also given by Flavius Josephus in Antiquities of the Jews 18:63**. This was the same Caiaphas who presided over the trial of Jesus (Matt. 26:57-67).

This is just one of literally thousands of artifacts from the period recorded in the New Testament.

James, the brother of Jesus, may be referenced on a 1st-century ossuary In 2002,

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• FROM THE QUR'AN

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- John 19:33-34 "They thought he was already dead, so they did not break his legs."

• FROM LOGIC

1. A true Messiah cannot be overpowered and humiliated.
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- 1 Corinthians 18, 23 (NLT) –

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Atheists try to deny Jesus existed – Historians overwhelmingly prove them wrong

Muslims, some Jews and others Deny His Crucifixion

Many Jews deny His Messiahship because he didn't bring in the Millennial Kingdom

Liberal Christians Deny His Resurrection

At each Critical Juncture Satan proffers an assaulting lie!

[Gal 3:1 NLT] 1 Oh, foolish Galatians! Who has cast an evil spell on you? For the meaning of Jesus Christ's death was made as clear to you as if you had seen a picture of his death on the cross.

Amazed, Afraid and Audacious

- And they were amazed – Mark 10:32
- Those who followed were afraid
- Mark 10:37 – And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.”
- Mark 8:31-38, 9:30-37, 10:32-45
- Pride and posturing arise??!

Perhaps even more startling is how the disciples responded to each of these prophecies??!!

Mk.8 Peter rebuked as Satan!

Mk.9 The Disciples argue over who is greatest (among them!)

Mk.10:41 Disciples Indignant at James and John asking to sit on Jesus' right and left! Be great, be a Servant

[Mar 8:31-38 ESV] 31 And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. 32 And he said this plainly. And **Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. 33 But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man." 34 And calling the crowd to him with his disciples, he said to them, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. 35 For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. 36 For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul? 37 For what can a man give in return for his soul? 38 For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."**

[Mar 9:30-37 ESV] 30 They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And he did not want anyone to know, 31 for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is going to be

delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him. And when he is killed, after three days he will rise." 32 **But they did not understand the saying, and were afraid to ask him.** 33 And they came to Capernaum. And when he was in the house he asked them, **"What were you discussing on the way?"** 34 **But they kept silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest.** 35 And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, **"If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all."** 36 And he took a child and put him in the midst of them, and taking him in his arms, he said to them, 37 "Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me."

[Mar 10:32-45 ESV] 32 And they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them. And **they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid.** And taking the twelve again, he began to tell them what was to happen to him, 33 saying, "See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death and deliver him over to the Gentiles. 34 And they will mock him and spit on him, and flog him and kill him. And after three days he will rise." 35 **And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you."** 36 **And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?"** 37 **And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory."** 38 Jesus said to them, **"You do not know what you are asking.** Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" 39 And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, 40 but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." 41 And **when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John.** 42 And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. 43 But it shall not be so among you. But **whoever would be great among you must be your servant, 44 and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all.** 45 For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

MARK
JESUS, THE SUFFERING SERVANT

JESUS: THE
FULFILLMENT
OF OVER 300
MESSIANIC
PROPHECIES



The story of Jesus saturates the metanarrative of the Bible, and prophecies of His first advent are found throughout the Old Testament.

Allusions to Him also come up in micro ways, as many people and events hint at the work He would accomplish.

574. One scholar, **J. Barton Payne**, has found as many as **574 verses** in the Old Testament that somehow point to or describe or reference the coming Messiah.

456. **Alfred Edersheim** found **456 Old Testament verses** referring to the Messiah or His times.

300. **Conservatively, Jesus fulfilled at least 300 prophecies** in His earthly ministry.

<https://www.gotquestions.org/prophecies-of-Jesus.html>

27 on the last day alone

20+ Prophecies fulfilled in 1 Day!

- Betrayal by a friend – Psalm 41:9, Mark 14:10
- Shepherd struck, Sheep scatter – Zechariah 13:7, Mark 14:50
- 30 pieces of Silver – Zechariah 11:12, Matthew 26:14
- Potters field bought – Zechariah 11:13, Matthew 27:3
- Back and Beard – Isaiah 50:6, Matthew 27:26-30

The Week before

Riding a Donkey into Jerusalem Zechariah 9:9,

In addition to Jesus' own prophecies there are numerous others in scripture of the unfolding events of our redemption

1 – The betrayal of the Messiah by His own friend

Ps 41:9 Even my own familiar friend in whom I trusted, who ate my bread, has lifted up *his* heel against me.

Mar 14:10 Then Judas Iscariot, one of the twelve, went to the chief priests to betray Him to them. (Also read verse 11)

2 – The Messiah forsook by His disciples

Zec 13:7 “Awake, O sword, against My Shepherd,
Against the Man who is My Companion,”

Says the Lord of hosts.

“Strike the Shepherd,

And the sheep will be scattered;

Then I will turn My hand against the little ones.

Mar 14:50 Then they all forsook Him and fled. (Read from verse 42)

[**Mat 26:31** ESV] 31 Then Jesus said to them, "**You will all fall away because of me this night. For it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.'**"

3 – The price paid for the betrayal

Zac 11:12 Then I said to them, "If it is agreeable to you, give *me* my wages; and if not, refrain." So they weighed out for my wages thirty *pieces* of silver.

Mat 26:14-15 Then one of the twelve, called Judas Iscariot, went unto the chief priests, and said, What will ye give me, and I will deliver him? And they him thirty pieces of silver.

4 – How the money of the betrayal would be used

Zac 11:13 And the Lord said to me, "Throw it to the potter"—that princely price they set on me. So I took the thirty *pieces* of silver and threw them into the house of the Lord for the potter.

Mat 27:3-10 Then Judas, His betrayer, seeing that He had been condemned, was remorseful and brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders, saying, "I have sinned by betraying innocent blood."

And they said, "What *is that* to us? You see *to it!*"

Then he threw down the pieces of silver in the temple and departed, and went and hanged himself.

But the chief priests took the silver pieces and said, "It is not lawful to put them into the treasury because they are the price of blood." And they consulted together and bought with them the potter's field, to bury strangers in. Therefore that field has been called the Field of Blood to this day.

Then was fulfilled what was spoken by Jeremiah the prophet, saying, "And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the value of Him who was priced, whom they of the children of Israel priced, and gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord directed me."

5 – The Torture of the Messiah

Isa 50:6 I gave My back to those who struck Me,

And My cheeks to those who plucked out the beard;

I did not hide My face from shame and spitting.

Mat 27:26, 30 Then he released Barabbas to them; and when he had scourged Jesus, he delivered *Him* to be crucified... Then they spat on Him, and took the reed and struck

Him on the head.

6 – Shame, prosecution, and dishonor

Ps 69:19 You know my reproach, my shame, and my dishonor;
My adversaries *are* all before You. (Read to verse 21)

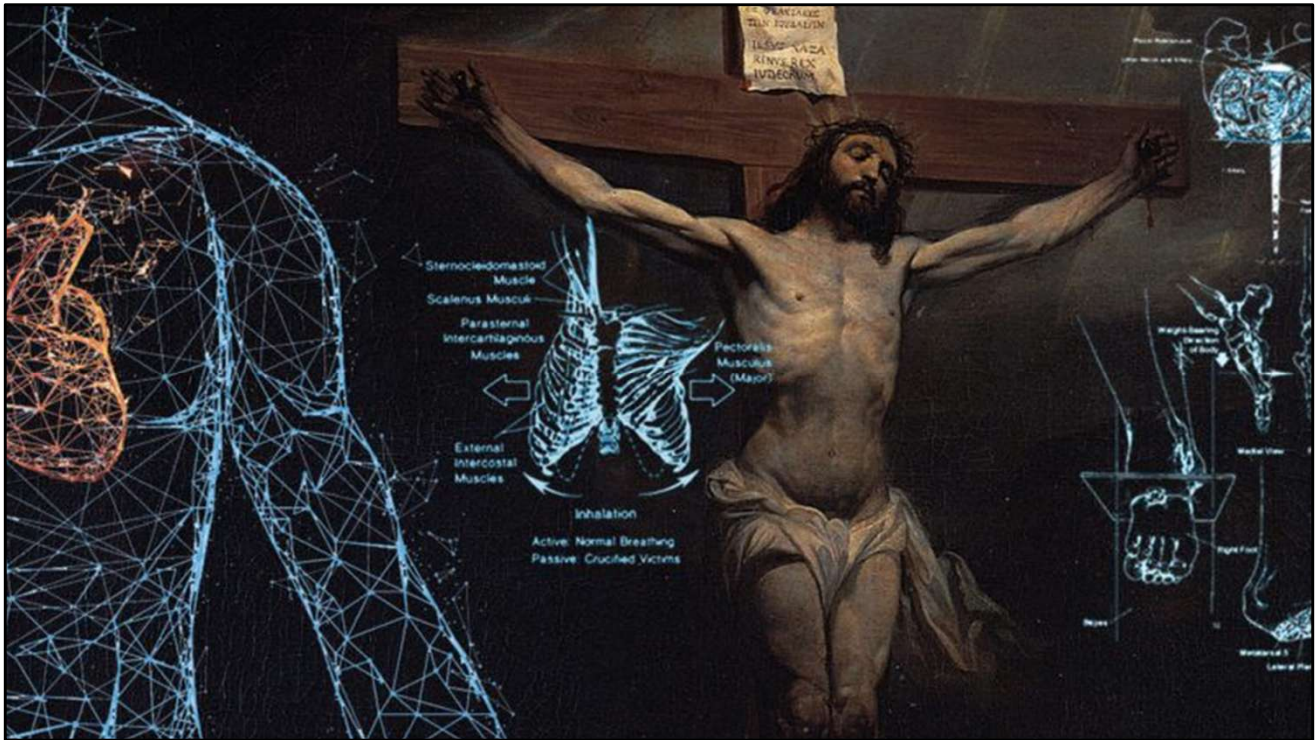
Mat 27:28 And they stripped Him and put a scarlet robe on Him.

7 – The smitten shepherd

Zac 13:7 “smite the shepherd, and will spread the sheep.”

Mat 26:31 Then Jesus said to them, “All of you will be made to stumble because of Me this night, for it is written:

‘I will strike the Shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.’



Slow, painful Death of Asphyxiation

Taking away the breath of God

[Luk 23:46 ESV] 46 Then **Jesus, calling out with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!"** And having said this he **breathed his last.**

Crucified with Thieves, Buried with Rich?

- Gamble for His garments – Psalm 22:18, John 19:24
- Jesus wouldn't resist – Isaiah 53:7, Matthew 27:13-14
- No bones broken! – Psalm 22:17, John 19:36
- Pierced His side/Heart – Zechariah 12:10, John 19:34
- He'd make intercession – Isaiah 53:12, Luke 23:34

Judas would be disgraced/Dead –

[Act 1:16 ESV] 16 "Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus.

[Act 1:18-20 ESV] 18 (Now this man acquired a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. 19 And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) 20 "For it is written in the Book of Psalms, "'May his camp become desolate, and let there be no one to dwell in it!'; and "'Let another take his office.'

[Psa 109:9-15](#)

Hands and feet pierced

8 – The division of His garments, 400BC

Ps 22:18 They divide My garments among them, and for My clothing they cast lots.

John 19:24 They said therefore among themselves, "Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it, whose it shall be," that the Scripture might be fulfilled which says:

"They divided My garments among them, and for My clothing they cast lots." Therefore the soldiers did these things.

9 – The Messiah would not open His mouth at His trial

Isa 53:7 He was oppressed and He was afflicted,
Yet He opened not His mouth;
He was led as a lamb to the slaughter,
And as a sheep before its shearers is silent,
So He opened not His mouth.

Mat 27:13-14 Then Pilate said to Him, “Do You not hear how many things they testify against You?” But He answered him not one word so that the governor marveled greatly.

10 – The Messiah’s crucifixion

Isa 53:5 But He *was* wounded for our transgressions,
He was bruised for our iniquities;
The chastisement for our peace *was* upon Him,
And by His stripes, we are healed.

John 19:16 Then he delivered Him to them to be crucified. So they took Jesus and led *Him* away.

11 – Messiah thirsts

Ps 69:3 I am weary with my crying;
My throat is dry;
My eyes fail while I wait for my God.

John 19:28 After this, Jesus, knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the Scripture might be fulfilled, said, “I thirst!”

12 – The bitter drink

Ps 69:21 They also gave me gall for my food, and for my thirst, they gave me vinegar to drink.

John 19:29 Now a vessel full of sour wine was sitting there; and they filled a sponge with sour wine, put *it* on hyssop, and put *it* to His mouth.

13 – People staring at Messiah on the cross

Ps 22:17 I can count all My bones. They look *and* stare at Me.

Mat 27:36 Sitting down, they kept watch over Him there.

[Jhn 19:36 ESV] 36 For these things took place that the Scripture might be fulfilled:

"Not one of his bones will be broken."

14 – Messiah's hands and feet pierced

Ps 22:16 For dogs have surrounded Me;
The congregation of the wicked has enclosed Me.
They pierced My hands and My feet;

Mat 27:35 Then they crucified Him, and divided His garments, casting lots, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet:

"They divided My garments among them, and for My clothing they cast lots."

15 – His side was pierced

Zac 12:10 "And I will pour on the house of David and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem the Spirit of grace and supplication; then they will look on Me whom they pierced. Yes, they will mourn for Him as one mourns for *his* only son, and grieve for Him as one grieves for a firstborn.

John 19:34 But one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and immediately blood and water came out.

16 – Messiah's broken heart

Ps 22:14 I am poured out like water,
And all My bones are out of joint;
My heart is like wax;
It has melted within Me.

John 19:34 But one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and immediately blood and water came out.

(Blood and water here represent a "broken heart")

17 – The scorning and hatred of the crowd

Ps 22:7-8 All those who see Me ridicule Me;
They shoot out the lip, they shake the head, *saying*,
"He trusted in the Lord, let Him rescue Him;
Let Him deliver Him since He delights in Him!"

Mat 27:41-43 Likewise the chief priests also, mocking with the scribes and elders,

said, “He saved others; Himself He cannot save. If He is the King of Israel, let Him now come down from the cross, and we will believe Him. He trusted in God; let Him deliver Him now if He will have Him; for He said, ‘I am the Son of God.’”

18 – The Lamb of God

Isa 53:7 He was oppressed and He was afflicted,
Yet He opened not His mouth;
He was led as a lamb to the slaughter,
And as a sheep before its shearers is silent,
So He opened not His mouth.

John 1:29 The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, “Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!

19 – The Messiah as the intercessor of sinners

Isa 53:12 Therefore I will divide Him a portion with the great,
And He shall divide the spoil with the strong,
Because He poured out His soul unto death,
And He was numbered with the transgressors,
And He bore the sin of many,
And made intercession for the transgressors.

Luke 23:34 Then Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do.” And they divided His garments and cast lots.

20 – The lonely cry of the Messiah and intense time of His suffering

Ps 22:1 My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?

*Why are You so far from helping Me,
And from the words of My groaning?*

Mat 27:46 And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, “Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?” that is, “My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?”

21 – The disfigurement caused by the brutality of the soldiers

Isa 52:14 Just as many were astonished at you,
So His visage was marred more than any man,
And His form more than the sons of men;

John 19:5 Then Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe.

And *Pilate* said to them, “Behold the Man!”

John 19:14 Now it was the Preparation Day of the Passover, and about the sixth hour. And he said to the Jews, “Behold your King!”

22 – The Cry of Triumph and victory of the Messiah

Ps 22:31 They will come and declare His righteousness to a people who will be born, That He has done *this*.

John 19:30 So when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, “It is finished!” And bowing His head, He gave up His spirit.

23 – The Passover Lamb without any broken bones

Exodus 12:46 In one house it shall be eaten; you shall not carry any of the flesh outside the house, nor shall you break one of its bones.

Ps 22:17 I can count all My bones. They look *and* stare at Me.

John 19:33, 36 But when they came to Jesus and saw that He was already dead, they did not break His legs... For these things were done that the Scripture should be fulfilled, “Not *one* of His bones shall be broken.”

24 – Messiah placed with the transgressors like a sinner, even though he never sinned

Isa 53:9 And they made His grave with the wicked—
But with the rich at His death,
Because He had done no violence,
Nor *was any* deceit in His mouth.

Isa 53:12 Therefore I will divide Him a portion with the great,
And He shall divide the spoil with the strong,
Because He poured out His soul unto death,
And He was numbered with the transgressors,
And He bore the sin of many,
And made intercession for the transgressors.

25 – The Messiah would be cut off (killed) but not by his own fault

Dan 9:26 “And after the sixty-two weeks

Messiah shall be cut off, but not for Himself;
And the people of the prince who is to come
Shall destroy the city and the sanctuary.
The end of it *shall be* with a flood,
And till the end of the war desolations are determined.

Isa 53:5-6 But He *was* wounded for our transgressions,
He was bruised for our iniquities;
The chastisement for our peace *was* upon Him,
And by His stripes, we are healed.
All we like sheep have gone astray;
We have turned, every one, to his own way;
And the Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.

John 11:49-52 And one of them, Caiaphas, being high priest that year, said to them, “You know nothing at all, nor do you consider that it is expedient for us that one man should die for the people, and not that the whole nation should perish.” Now, this he did not say on his own *authority*; but being high priest that year he prophesied that Jesus would die for the nation, and not for that nation only, but also that He would gather together in one the children of God who were scattered abroad.

26 – The fight against Satan and the triumph of the Messiah (The oldest prophecy about the Messiah in the Torah)

Gen 3:15 And I will put enmity
Between you and the woman,
And between your seed and her Seed;
He shall bruise your head,
And you shall bruise His heel.”

John 12:30-33 Jesus answered and said, “This voice did not come because of Me, but for your sake. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be cast out. And I, if I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all *peoples* to Myself.” This He said, signifying by what death He would die.

27 The Messiah would be buried in a tomb of a rich man

Isa 53:9 And they made His grave with the wicked—
But with the rich at His death,
Because He had done no violence,

Nor *was any* deceit in His mouth.

Mat 27:57-60 Now when evening had come, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who himself had also become a disciple of Jesus. This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate commanded the body to be given to him. When Joseph had taken the body, he wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, and laid it in his new tomb which he had hewn out of the rock; and he rolled a large stone against the door of the tomb, and departed.

These Scriptures Were Written That You May Believe That Jesus (Yeshua) is The Messiah...

“And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.” John 20:30-31

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NAKED, COMPLETE DESOLATION, HUMILIATION & DEVASTATION

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Once hoisted, the soldiers placed the feet one on top of one another. They would drive a nail through the 2nd and 3rd metatarsal of both feet and then deep into the wooden post.

The nail strategically severed both the deep peroneal nerve and the medial plantar nerve, again causing exquisite gyrations of pain throughout the lower extremities.

Common insects would be attracted to the bloody wounds. Birds were known to pick at hanging flesh.

**Naked, Total desolation, Total humiliation
Total devastation.**

Ill. may have been multifactorial and related primarily to hypovolemic shock, exhaustion asphyxia, suffocation, and perhaps acute heart failure. A fatal cardiac arrhythmia may have occurred for the apparent catastrophic terminal event. - Dr. William D. Edwards



ARTIFACT OF THE DAY!

GN'AT HA-MVTAR CRUCIFIXION REMAINS:

ANCIENT CRUCIFIED MAN'S BONES WITH NAIL
MATCH THE BIBLE'S DESCRIPTION OF ROMAN
CRUCIFIXION METHODS EXACTLY.

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Proof of crucifixion: **The heel bone and nail from the ossuary of Yehohanan, discovered in Jerusalem in 1968.** (Courtesy of the Israel Museum. Photographer: Ilan Shtulman)

<https://www.timesofisrael.com/extremely-rare-archaeological-evidence-of-roman-crucifixion-uncovered-in-italy/>

<https://www.dailymail.co.uk/sciencetech/article-10287641/Crucifixion-Worlds-best-example-Cambridgeshire-form-slave-nail-heel.html>

Upon closer examination of the bones, researchers noted “particular lesions” on the right heel.

Archeologists found evidence of crucifixion in Jerusalem in 1968. An ankle bone with nail through it was found in an ossuary in a cave that belonged to Yehohanan son of Hagkol, a young Jewish man. The man had been crucified by being nailed through the ankle to an upright wooden beam. **The nail, having struck a knot in the wood, bent and was difficult to remove after his death.** This discovery is notable because it's actual evidence of practicing crucifixion. **There has since been another skeleton found with a nail through its heel.** This skeleton was found in Cambridgeshire, England, suggesting that the practice of crucifixion was also prevalent in Roman Britain.

(John 20:25–27, Luke 24:39) and prophesied in Psalm 22:16

[Psa 22:16](#)

[**Psa 22:16** ESV] 16 For dogs encompass me; a company of evildoers encircles me; **they have pierced my hands and feet—**

[**Jhn 20:25-27** ESV] 25 So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "**Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe.**" 26 **Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you."** 27 **Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side.** Do not disbelieve, but believe."

[Luk 24:39-40 ESV] 39 See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me, and see. For **a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.**" 40 **And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet.**

you shall bruise his heel

- Daniels 69 weeks fulfilled, Cut off! – Daniel 9:24-27
- Jesus was Crucified at Passover! The Lamb! – Exodus 12:11
- The 1st Prophecy – Seed of woman, Heel! – Genesis 3:15
- Isaiah 53:1-12 – Messiah Ben Joseph! – Psalm 22:1
- Luke 24:26 – “Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?”

[Dan 9:24-27 ESV] 24 "**Seventy weeks are decreed** about your people and **your holy city**, to finish the transgression, **to put an end to sin, and to atone for iniquity, to bring in everlasting righteousness**, to seal both vision and prophet, and to anoint a most holy place. 25 **Know therefore and understand that from the going out of the word to restore and build Jerusalem to the coming of an anointed one, a prince, there shall be seven weeks. And for sixty-two weeks it shall be built again with squares and moat, but in a troubled time. 26 And after the sixty-two weeks, an anointed one shall be cut off and shall have nothing.** And the people of the prince who is to come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary. Its end shall come with a flood, and to the end there shall be war. Desolations are decreed. 27 And he shall make a strong covenant with many for one week, and for half of the week he shall put an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the wing of abominations shall come one who makes desolate, until the decreed end is poured out on the desolator.“ **7+62 weeks**

Gen 3:15, John 12:31-33

[Gen 3:15 ESV] 15 I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; **he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel.**"

[**Luk 24:24-27** ESV] 24 Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see." 25 And **he said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! 26 Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" 27 And beginning with Moses and all the**

Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

David also foretold that false witnesses would testify against Christ. Prophesied: “Cruel witnesses rose up; they asked me of things that I knew nothing about” (Psa. 35:11).

Fulfilled: “And the chief priests and the whole Sanhedrin were trying to find testimony against Jesus, to put Him to death; but they did not find any. For many bore false witness against Him, but their testimonies did not agree. And some rose up and bore false witness against Him, saying...” (Mark 14:55-57).

David prophesied that His hands and His feet would be pierced. Prophesied: “Dogs have surrounded Me; a band of evildoers have encircled me; **they have pierced My hands and My feet...**” (Psa. 22:16). Fulfilled: “And they crucified Him” (Mark 15:25). “Then the other disciples said to him, ‘We have seen the Lord!’ But he said to them, ‘If I do not see the nail marks in His hands, and put my finger into the nail marks, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe at all!’ Now after eight days, His disciples were within, and Thomas with them. After the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood in the midst, and said, ‘Peace to you.’ Then He said to Thomas, ‘Bring forth your finger, and see My hands; and bring forth your hand, and put it into My side; and be not unbelieving, but believing’ ” (John 20:25-27).

**"This Will Shock You:
Jesus' Crucifixion Was
Foretold in Chilling Detail!"**

Centuries before, the Old Testament
foretold Jesus' crucifixion in detail.



[Num 21:8 ESV] 8 And the LORD said to Moses, "Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live."

If they had, they would not have crucified the Lord

- 1 Corinthians 2:6-9 - ... But, as it is written, “What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love him” –
- Isaiah 64:4 – From of old no one has heard or perceived by the ear, no eye has seen a God besides you, who acts for those who wait for him.

[1Co 2:2, 6-9 ESV] 2 **For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. ...**

[1Co 2:6-9 ESV] 6 Yet among the mature we do impart wisdom, although it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to pass away. 7 But **we impart a secret and hidden wisdom of God, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. 8 None of the rulers of this age understood this, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. 9** But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love him"—

How did the Devil NOT see this coming?

Trust in his own power and wisdom. Death is final!

Hubris

Gods blinding?

[Eph 2:16 NLT] 16 Together as one body, Christ reconciled both groups to God by means of his death on the cross, and our hostility toward each other was put to death.

RESURRECTION APPEARANCES

	Appeared to	Where	When	References
1	Mary Magdalene	Jerusalem	Sunday	Mark 6:9-11; John 20:11-18
2	Other Women	Jerusalem	Sunday	Matt 28:9-10
3	Peter	Jerusalem	Sunday	Luke 24:32; 1 Cor. 15:5
4	Emmaus disciples	Emmaus	Sunday	Luke 24:13-35; Mark 16:12
5	10 disciples	Jerusalem	Sunday	Mark 16:14; Luke 24:26-42; John 20:19-25
6	11 disciples	Jerusalem	A week later	John 20:26-31; 1 Cor. 15:5
7	7 disciples	Galilee	?	John 21:1-25
8	500 brethren	Galilee	?	1 Cor. 15:6
9	James	?	?	1 Cor. 15:7
10	11 disciples	Galilee	?	Matt 28:16-20; Mark 16:15-18
11	11 disciples	Jerusalem	40 days later	Acts 1:3-12



"I know the resurrection is a fact, and Watergate proved it to me. How? Because 12 men testified they had seen Jesus raised from the dead, then they proclaimed that truth for 40 years, never once denying it. Every one was beaten, tortured, stoned and put in prison. They would not have endured that if it weren't true. Watergate embroiled 12 of the most powerful men in the world-and they couldn't keep a lie for three weeks. You're telling me 12 apostles could keep a lie for 40 years? Absolutely impossible."

- CHUCK COLSON

100's of Eyewitnesses including James the brother of Jesus who had formerly rejected Jesus as Messiah, but now converts !

We should have expected!

- The fulfillment of 100s of scriptures
- A rejecting people!
- A Suffering Messiah – Isaiah 53
- A Risen Savior
- A Returning King
- You Have Been Warned! What Say You?!



Over 300 Prophecies Fulfilled

How Could Jesus Do It?

✓ **Born in Bethlehem**
Micah 5:2

✓ **Born of a Virgin**
Isaiah 7:16

✓ **Betrayed for 30 Silver Pieces**
Psalm 41:9 & Zech. 11:12

✓ **Crucified & Pierced**
Psalm 22:16 & Zech. 12:10

**CHANCE OF FULFILLING
8 PROPHECIES BY ACCIDENT:
1 in 100,000,000,000!
(One in One Hundred Billion)**

**NOT COINCIDENCE...
JESUS IS
THE MESSIAH!**

*The Promised Savior,
Foretold in Scripture!*



Crucifixion Forecast

Specific Old Testament prophecies about the events of Jesus' crucifixion are fulfilled in the book of Matthew

A close friend will betray him <i>Ps. 41:9</i>	Judas betrays Jesus <i>Matt. 10:4; 26:14-16, 23-25, 47-49</i>
He will be sold for 30 pieces of silver; the money will be given to a potter <i>Zech. 11:12-13</i>	Judas receives 30 pieces of silver for betraying Jesus; it is later used to purchase a potter's field <i>Matt. 26:14-15; 27:3-10</i>
The sheep will scatter when the shepherd is struck <i>Zech. 13:7</i>	The disciples abandon Jesus <i>Matt. 26:31, 56</i>
False witnesses will accuse him <i>Pss. 27:12; 35:11</i>	False witnesses testify against Jesus before the Sanhedrin <i>Matt. 26:59-61</i>
He will remain silent when oppressed <i>Isa. 53:7</i>	Jesus makes no reply to Pilate when falsely charged <i>Matt. 27:13-14</i>
He will be mocked, beaten and spit on <i>Isa. 50:6</i>	Jesus is spit on, beaten, slapped, mocked and flogged by chief priests, members of the Sanhedrin and soldiers <i>Matt. 26:67-68; 27:26-31</i>
He will be given vinegar and gall, a bitter medicinal substance <i>Ps. 69:21</i>	Before the crucifixion, Jesus refuses to drink wine and gall; he drinks wine vinegar while hanging on the cross <i>Matt. 27:34, 48</i>
He will die among criminals <i>Isa. 53:12</i>	Jesus is crucified between two rebels <i>Matt. 27:38</i>
His clothes will be divided and lots cast for his garment <i>Ps. 22:18</i>	Soldiers divide Jesus' clothes by casting lots <i>Matt. 27:35</i>
Enemies will insult and mock him; he will be an object of scorn <i>Pss. 22:6-8; 109:25</i>	People mock Jesus while he hangs on the cross <i>Matt. 27:39-44</i>
God will forsake him <i>Ps. 22:1</i>	Jesus cries out and asks God why he has forsaken him <i>Matt. 27:46</i>
He will be buried with the rich <i>Isa. 53:9</i>	Jesus' body is buried in the tomb of a rich man, Joseph of Arimathea <i>Matt. 27:57-60</i>

Source: The NIV Quickview Bible - www.thequickviewbible.com

Table 1: Timeline for the Crucifixion Day

Event	Jewish Time	Roman Time System	Remarks
Christ observes the Passover with his disciples according to the pre-deuteronomic guidelines	Abib 14 - Night	Tuesday - 6.00pm - 10.00pm	I Cor 11:23; Mark 14:16 Matt 26:19 Luke 22:13 - 15
Christ is arrested	Abib 14 - Night	Tuesday - midnight	Luke 22:55
Christ tried and convicted by the Jews	Abib 14 - Night	Wednesday - 1.00am - 6.00am	John 18:19 - 24
Christ brought before Pontius Pilate	Abib 14 - Day	Wednesday - 7.00am	Matt 27: 1 - 14 Luke 23: 1 - 7 John 18:29 - 38
Christ sent to Herod	Abib 14 - Day	Wednesday - 7.30am	Luke 23:8 - 10
Christ brought once again before Pontius Pilate	Abib 14 - Day	Wednesday - 8.00am	John 19:8 - 16
Christ crucified	Abib 14 - Day	Wednesday - 9.00am	Mark 15:25
Darkness over the land	Abib 14 - Day	Wednesday - 12.00noon - 3.00pm	Matt 27:45; Mark 15:33 Luke 23:44 - 45
Christ dies	Abib 14 - Day	Wednesday - 3.00pm	Matt 27:50; Mark 15:37 Luke 23:46; John 19:30
Christ placed in tomb	Abib 14 - dusk	Wednesday - 6.00pm	Matt 27:59 - 60 Mark 15:46; Luke 23:53 John 19:41 - 42
High Day Sabbath 1 st Day of Unleavened Bread (Pharisaic Passover at Wednesday Evening)	Abib 15 - Night and Day	Wednesday - 6.00pm - Thursday 6.00pm	
Women buy and prepare spices. (Wave Sheaf Offering according to Pharisee tradition in morning)	Abib 16 - Day	Friday - between 6.00am and 6.00pm	Luke 23:56
Weekly Sabbath Women rest	Abib 17 - Night and Day	Friday - 6.00pm - Saturday 6.00pm	Luke 23:56
Christ resurrected	Abib 17 - dusk	Saturday - 6.00pm	Matt 12: 40
Women visit the empty tomb	Abib 18 - dawn	Sunday - 6.00am	Matt 28:1 Mark 16:1 - 4 Luke 24:1 - 3; John 20:1
Christ - the Wave Sheaf according to Sadducee tradition.	Abib 18 - day	Sunday - between 7.00am and 6.00pm	John 20:17

Resurrection Appearances of Jesus

WITNESSES	SITE	TIME	REFERENCE
Mary Magdalene	Unspecified	The first day of the week	Mk 16:9 - 11; Jn 20:11 - 18
Mary Magdalene and the "other Mary"	On the way back from the tomb to where the disciples were staying	The first day of the week	Mt 28:9 - 10
Peter	Unspecified	The first day of the week	Lk 24:34; 1Co 15:5
Cleopas and an unnamed disciple	The road to Emmaus	The first day of the week	Mk 16:12 - 13; Lk 24:1 - 35
"The Eleven and those with them" (Lk 24:33), plus Cleopas and the other disciple. Thomas was not present.	Jerusalem	Evening on the first day of the week	Mk 16:14; Lk 24:36 - 43; Jn 20:19 - 23
The Eleven, including Thomas	Jerusalem; the same house as Jn 20:19 - 23	Eight days after the resurrection	Jn 20:24 - 29; 1Co 15:5
Simon Peter, Thomas, Nathanael, James, John and two unnamed disciples	The Sea of Galilee	Unspecified, though it is described as the third appearance to the disciples	Jn 21:1 - 24
The Eleven	Galilee, on the mountain to which Jesus had directed them	Unspecified	Mt 28:16 - 20; Mk 16:15 - 18
More than 500 brothers and sisters	Unspecified	Unspecified	1Co 15:6
James	Unspecified	Unspecified	1Co 15:7
The Eleven	Bethany	40 days after the resurrection	Mk 16:19 - 20; Lk 24:44 - 52; Ac 1:3 - 12; 1Co 15:7
Paul	Damascus	Unspecified, though in 1Co 15:8, Paul claims he was last of all	Ac 9:1 - 6; 22:6 - 10; 26:12 - 18; 1Co 15:8; Gal 1:12,16

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Witnesses to the Resurrection

Persons Witness	Scripture Reference	Date or Time	Place of Appearance	What Transpired	Items of Interest
Mary Magdalene	Jn 20:1-18	Resurrection, early morning	At the tomb of Jesus Christ	Mary talked with Jesus; she did not recognize him at first but was soon convinced it was him.	
Other women	Mt 28:1-10	Resurrection day, early morning	Somewhere between the tomb and Jerusalem	They held Jesus by the feet and worshiped him.	
Two disciples	Mk 16:12-13; Lk 4:33-32	Resurrection day, afternoon	On the road to Emmaus	They walked, talked, and ate with Jesus, not recognizing him until he broke bread. Their hearts burned within them.	The hymn "Abide with Me; 'Tis Everide" (<i>Hymns</i> , no. 165) recalls this event.
Simon Peter	Lk 24:34; 1Cor 15:5	Sometime on the day of the resurrection	Not specified	Not specified	
Ten of the Twelve	Lk 24:36-53; Jn 20:19-24	Resurrection day, evening	A room with shut doors somewhere in Jerusalem	Jesus invited them to handle him so they would know that he had flesh and bone. He ate fish and honey before them.	Although Lk 24:33 refers to "the eleven," it seems certain that neither Judas nor Thomas was present.
Eleven of the Twelve	Jn 20:26-31; Mk 16:14	Eight days after the resurrection	Apparently the same room as above	Jesus showed Thomas his hands and his side; this was convincing evidence for Thomas.	
Seven of the Twelve	Jn 21:1-14	Morning, at a time subsequent to the episode with Thomas	On the shore of the Sea of Tiberias (Galilee)	After the seven had fished all night and caught nothing, Jesus gave them directions from the shore; they caught a multitude of fish. They recognized him and went to shore. He ate with them.	This is similar to the first draught of fishes (see Lk 5) that accompanies Jesus' call of Peter and others to the ministry.
Eleven of the Twelve	Mt 28:16-20	Not specified	A mountain in Galilee, by previous appointment of Jesus Christ	Jesus appeared to them on the mountain. They talked with him and worshiped him.	
More than 500 brethren	1Cor 15:6	Not specified	Not specified	No information	This visitation probably took place in Galilee.
James	1Cor 15:7	Not specified	Not specified	No information	

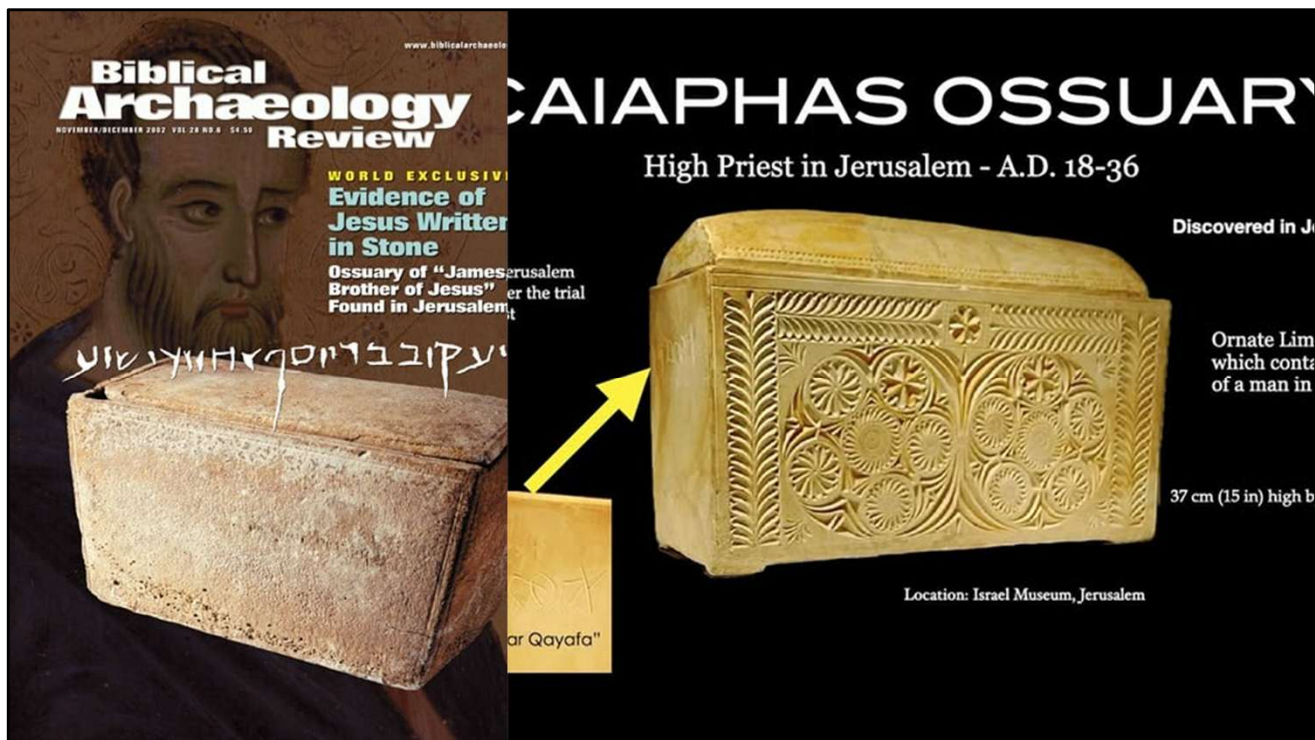
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Resurrection Appearances THE 40 DAYS BEFORE CHRIST'S ASCENSION

JESUS APPEARED TO	PLACE	TIME	VERSE
1 Mary Magdalene <i>Jesus said to her, "Do not cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'"</i>	Jerusalem, tomb	Resurrection Sunday	Mark 16:9-11, John 20:11-18
2 Other women <i>"Greetings!" And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me."</i>	Jerusalem	Resurrection Sunday	Matt 28:9-10
3 2 disciples <i>"O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.</i>	Road to Emmaus	Resurrection Sunday	Mark 16:12-13, Luke 24:13-32
4 Peter <i>"The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!"</i>	Jerusalem	Resurrection Sunday	Luke 24:34, 1 Cor 15:5
5 10 disciples (Thomas absent) <i>"Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."</i>	Jerusalem, upper room	Resurrection Sunday	Luke 24:34-43, John 20:19-25
6 11 disciples <i>Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."</i>	Jerusalem, upper room	Following Sunday	Mark 16:14, John 20:26-31, 1 Cor 15:5
7 7 disciples fishing <i>He said, "Throw your net on the right side of the boat and you will find some." When they did, they were unable to haul the net in because of the large number of fish.</i>	Sea of Galilee	Unknown	John 21:1-14
8 11 disciples <i>"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."</i>	Mountain in Galilee	Unknown	Matt 28:14-20, Mark 16:15-18
9 Crowd of over 500 <i>Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep.</i>	Unknown	Unknown	1 Cor 15:4
10 James (Jesus' brother) <i>He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."</i>	Unknown	Unknown	1 Cor 15:7
11 Disciples during ascension <i>And falling to the ground, he heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And he said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do."</i>	Mount of Olives	40 days after resurrection	Luke 24:36-51, Acts 1:3-9, 1 Cor 15:7
12 Paul <i>And falling to the ground, he heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And he said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do."</i>	Damascus	Several years later	Acts 9:22.26 & 1 Cor 9:1

SOURCE: THE QUEST STUDY BIBLE, page 1412





CAIAPHAS OSSUARY — Hebrew: יוֹסֵף בֶּר קַיָּפָא, romanized: Yōsef bar Qayyafa; Koinē Greek: Καϊάφας, romanized: Kaiāphas — In 1990 this ornate limestone ossuary was discovered in Jerusalem in a tomb which was in use during the Second Temple Period. The ossuary was inscribed with the name “Joseph son of Caiaphas,” the exact name also given by Flavius Josephus in Antiquities of the Jews 18:63. This was the same Caiaphas who presided over the trial of Jesus (Matt. 26:57-67).

This is just one of literally thousands of artifacts from the period recorded in the New Testament.

James, the brother of Jesus, may be referenced on a 1st-century ossuary In 2002,

9 FACTS ABOUT THE RESURRECTION

Based on the information in Evidence That Demands a Verdict

1 Christianity is worthless without the resurrection.
 1 Cor. 15:14 (NIV): And if Christ is not risen, then our preaching is empty and your faith is also empty. Scholars agree that without the resurrection there is no Christianity (JTW 236 - 237).

2 The resurrection is foundational to our faith.
 Without the reality of the resurrection, Christianity claims no real hope or truth.
 1 Cor. 15:17 (NIV): And if Christ is not risen, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins!

3 The resurrection validates everything Jesus said.
 Matthew 12:40 (NIV): For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the great fish, so will the Son of Man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. Jesus claimed both resurrection and divinity.

4 The resurrection was the reversal of death.
 What the early Christians proclaimed through Jesus' resurrection was unique in the Greco-Roman world. The complete reversal of death was so radical, it wasn't permitted in mythology (JTW 235).

5 Jesus appeared to many people.
 The New Testament records multiple times when Jesus appeared not as a spirit but in physical form (JTW 244).

6 Jesus' crucifixion is a known fact.
 Both skeptical and believing scholars concede the event and was recorded at the heart of the Roman (JTW 240-242).

7 Multiple eyewitnesses tell the story.
 1 Cor. 15:6 (NIV): ...and that he was seen by more than five hundred brethren at once, of whom the greater part remain to the present, but some have fallen asleep.

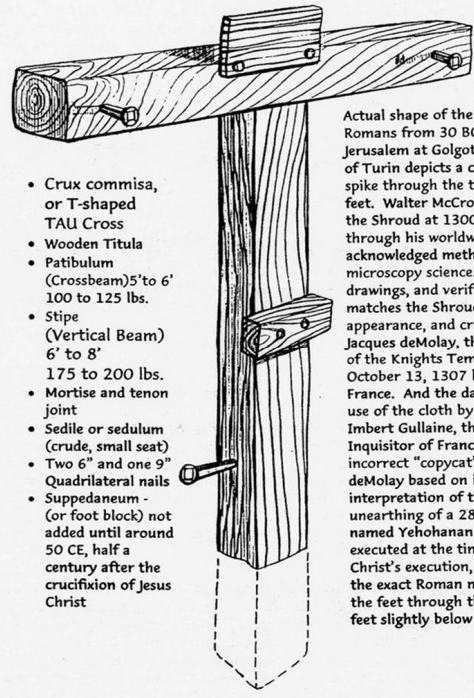
8 The resurrection changed the disciples.
 The scared disciples became willing to give their lives for Jesus (JTW Chapter 7).
 This openly proclaimed Jesus as Christ. Read Peter's message in Acts 2.

9 We have hope in the resurrection.
 Romans 8:23 (NIV): For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.
 John 10:10 (NIV): The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly.

WHAT HAPPENED TO THE DISCIPLES?
 DID SOMEONE SEE IT?
 HOW DO WE KNOW?
 WHY?
 BECAUSE
 WHAT WAS JESUS' RESURRECTION?
 WAS HIS DEATH REAL?

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Actual shape of the cross used by Romans from 30 BC to 80 CE in Jerusalem at Golgotha. The shroud of Turin depicts a crucifixion with a spike through the tops of both feet. Walter McCrone pinpointed the Shroud at 1300 AD or after through his worldwide acknowledged method of microscopy science. Woodcuts, pen drawings, and verified history matches the Shroud to the time, appearance, and crucifixion of Jacques deMolay, the Grand Master of the Knights Templars on Friday, October 13, 1307 by King Phillip of France. And the date supports the use of the cloth by his executioner Imbert Guillaume, the Grand Inquisitor of France. It is an incorrect "copycat" crucifixion of deMolay based on incorrect biblical interpretation of the time. But the unearthing of a 28 year old man named Yehohanan of Jerusalem, executed at the time of Jesus Christ's execution, perfectly shows the exact Roman method of nailing the feet through the sides of both feet slightly below the heels.

- Crux commisa, or T-shaped
- TALL Cross
- Wooden Titula
- Patibulum (Crossbeam) 5' to 6' 100 to 125 lbs.
- Stipe (Vertical Beam) 6' to 8' 175 to 200 lbs.
- Mortise and tenon joint
- Sedile or sedulum (crude, small seat)
- Two 6" and one 9" Quadrilateral nails
- Suppedaneum - (or foot block) not added until around 50 CE, half a century after the crucifixion of Jesus Christ

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a lie for 40 years?
Absolutely impossible."
— Chuck Colson

JESUS OF NAZARETH NON-BIBLICAL EVIDENCE

ANCIENT WRITINGS (NON-CHRISTIAN / NON-BIBLICAL)

TACITUS
(Roman Historian, c. AD 116)
"Christus... suffered the extreme penalty during the reign of Tiberius at the hands of Pontius Pilate."
Annals 15.44

PLINY THE YOUNGER
(Roman Governor, c. AD 112)
"They sang a hymn to Christ as to a god."
Letters 10.96-97

LUCIAN
(Greek Satirist, c. AD 165)
"They worship the crucified sophist himself."
Passing of Perigrinus

JOSEPHUS
(Jewish Historian, c. AD 93)
"James, the brother of Jesus who is called Christ."
Antiquities 20.9.1

SUETONIUS
(Roman Historian, c. AD 121)
"Disturbances at the instigation of Chrestus."
Caesar 25

MARA BAR-SERAPION
(Syrian Philosopher, 1st-2nd Century)
"What advantage did the Jews gain from executing their wise king?"
Letter to his son

BABYLONIAN TALMUD
(Rabbinic Text)
"On the eve of Passover, Yeshu was hanged."
Sanhedrin 43a

ARCHAEOLOGY & INSCRIPTIONS



PONTIUS PILATE INSCRIPTION
(discovered 1961)
Confirms the historical Pilate tied to Jesus's execution
Caesarea Maritima



CAIAPHAS OSSUARY
(discovered 1990)
High priest name linked to the trial narratives
1st century Judean burial practice



1ST-CENTURY CRUCIFIXION REMAINS
(discovered 1968)
Physical proof crucifixion was practiced in Judea
1st-century Judean burial practice

CONTEXT CORROBORATION

- Roman governance in Judea (Pilate era)
- Second Temple Jerusalem (real places & institutions)
- Early, public, known Christian movement

MULTIPLE INDEPENDENT SOURCES CONFIRM:

Jesus existed • Jesus was executed • Early Christians worshiped Him immediately

This is not theology. This is history.

Trials of Jesus JESUS' SIX TRIALS TOOK PLACE IN A MATTER OF HOURS

JUDGE	PLACE	RULING	VERSE
1 Annas	Anna's house	Proceed	John 18:12-14
2 Caiphas	Caiphas' house	Blasphemy	Matthew 26:57-68
3 Sanhedrin	Caiphas' house	Worthy of death	Matthew 26:66
4 Pilate	Praetorium	Not guilty	John 18:28-38
5 Herod	Herod's Palace	Not guilty	Luke 23:6-12
6 Pilate	Praetorium	Not guilty, turned over to Jews	John 18:38-19:16

Who killed Jesus?

1 Annas: After Jesus was arrested he was taken to the house of Annas, former high priest and father-in-law to the current high priest. He agrees to proceed.

2 Caiphas: He sends him to the house of Caiphas. It was early morning. He was outraged when Jesus finally agrees that he is God's chosen one and declares blasphemy.

3 Sanhedrin: The council gathered and "were seeking false testimony against Jesus that they might put him to death, but they found none" (Matt 26). Nonetheless, they agree he must die. The guards spit on him, mocked him, beat him.

4 Pontious Pilate: They took him to Pilate because the Jewish council could not put anyone to death. They use the vantage point with Pilate that Jesus is a threat to Caesar and peace. But Pilate finds no fault in Jesus. He hears that he is a Galilean, so he attempts to sidestep the matter and sends him to Herod Antipas, as that is his jurisdiction. (Praetorium was either at Herod's Palace or Antonia Fortress.)

5 Herod Antipas: Herod wanted to meet this Jesus in hopes he would perform miracles. There were no miracles and Jesus made no answer. Herod found no fault in him. Herod's soldiers beat him and mocked him, sent him back to Pilate in "splendid" clothing.

6 Pontious Pilate: Pilate had Jesus flogged and examined him once more. Pilate tells the chief priests he nor Herod found fault in him and he would punish him and release him, but they demanded



his crucifixion. He looked for one more opportunity to release Jesus. Each Passover the governor would release one prisoner dictated by the crowd. This crowd though was stirred up by the priests and declared they wanted Barabas, a robber and murderer, released instead of Jesus. Pilate relented and ordered the crucifixion.

So the guilty one was given life when he deserved death. Jesus took his place, the same as he has done for you and for me.

But to answer the question — who killed Jesus? — it wasn't religious leaders or the Romans or the citizens shouting for his crucifixion. It was God himself. This was his rescue plan from the beginning.

It was love, not nails that held Jesus to the cross. He said, "No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again. This command I received from my Father." John 10:18

DIFFERENT JESUS':

-MODERN AMERICAN JESUS - CARES MORE ABOUT YOUR FEELINGS & PERSONAL HAPPINESS THAN SIN

-MORMAN - JESUS IS THE 'SPIRIT BROTHER' OF LUCIFER

-MUSLIM - JESUS WAS NOT CRUCIFIED & DID NOT RISE FROM THE DEAD, A PROPHET BELOW MUHAMMED

-JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES - JESUS USED TO BE THE ARCHANGEL MICHAEL IN HEAVEN, AND REJECT JESUS' ATONING SACRIFICE ON THE CROSS

-HINDU - JESUS IS ONE OF MANY 'ISHTAS' - FORMS OF THE DIVINE. A GURU, YOGI, OR ENLIGHTENED MASTER WHO ACHIEVED ONENESS WITH GOD.



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PROPHECIES JESUS FULFILLED

DESCENDANT OF ABRAHAM

PREDICTION: "Now the Lord has said to Abram: '...I will make you a great nation, I will bless you and make your name great, and you shall be a blessing... In you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.'" Genesis 12:1-3

FULFILLMENT: Abraham was one of great ancestors. (Matthew 1:1-16)

INHERIT DAVID'S THRONE

PREDICTION: "Now therefore, thus shall you say to My servant David, 'Thus says the Lord of hosts: "...Your house and your kingdom shall be established forever before you, your throne shall be established forever..."' 2 Samuel 7:16-18

FULFILLMENT: Jesus said Mary that God would give Jesus the throne of his father David, and that he would reign forever. (Luke 1:30-33)

BORN IN BETHLEHEM

PREDICTION: "But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of you shall come forth to Me the One to be Ruler in Israel, whose goings forth are from of old, from everlasting." Micah 5:2

FULFILLMENT: Bethlehem was about 7 miles from Nazareth, where Joseph and Mary lived. But a Roman census brought them to Bethlehem, and that is where Jesus was born. (Luke 2:4-7)

BORN OF A VIRGIN

PREDICTION: "Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel." Isaiah 7:14

FULFILLMENT: Mary became pregnant before she married Joseph. (Matthew 1:18-23)

TAKEN TO EGYPT

PREDICTION: "When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called My son." Hosea 11:1

FULFILLMENT: An angel instructed Joseph to take Mary and Jesus to Egypt to escape the fury of King Herod. (Matthew 2:15-18)

PRECEDED BY A MESSENGER

PREDICTION: "The voice of one crying in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the Lord; make straight in the desert a highway for our God." Isaiah 40:3

FULFILLMENT: John the Baptist preached a message of repentance before Jesus began His ministry. (Matthew 3:1-12)

SLAUGHTER OF CHILDREN

PREDICTION: "It was said in Ramoth, Samaria and better weeping, Rachel weeping for her children, refusing to be comforted for her children, because they are not." Jeremiah 31:15

FULFILLMENT: King Herod killed all the children in and around Bethlehem that were two years old and younger. (Matthew 2:16-18)

TIME OF ANOINTING

PREDICTION: "These thunders and earthquakes, that from the going forth of the command to restore and build Jerusalem, until Messiah the Prince, there shall be no other signs and only one sign..." Isaiah 64:2

FULFILLMENT: At the end of the 69 prophetic weeks, in the fall of A.D. 33, Jesus was anointed by the Holy Spirit at His baptism and began His public ministry. (Matthew 3:16, 17)

MIRACLES OF HEALING

PREDICTION: "Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unclogged, then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the dumb sing." Isaiah 35:5

FULFILLMENT: Jesus spent much time healing the sick. An disease was not left healed for Him to heal. (Matthew 11:2-10)

MINISTRY IN GALILEE

PREDICTION: "In Galilee... the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, those who dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them a light has shined." Isaiah 9:1, 2

FULFILLMENT: Much of Jesus' ministry was in the region of Galilee. His "home" was in Capernaum, not Nazareth. (Matthew 4:13-16)

MESSAGE OF DELIVERANCE

PREDICTION: "The Spirit of the Lord God is upon Me, because the Lord has anointed Me to preach good tidings to the poor: He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound." Isaiah 61:1

FULFILLMENT: Jesus applied this prophecy to Himself when He spoke in the synagogue at Nazareth. (Luke 4:18-21)

REJECTED BY HIS PEOPLE

PREDICTION: "He is despised and rejected by men, a Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief, and as he had, as it were, our sorrows from then, He was despised, and we did not esteem Him." Isaiah 53:3

FULFILLMENT: Although some people chose to believe in Jesus, the majority chose to reject Him. (John 1:11)

RIDING ON A DONKEY

PREDICTION: "Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Rejoice, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your King is coming to you: He is just and having salvation, lowly and riding on a donkey, a colt, the foal of a donkey." Zechariah 9:9

FULFILLMENT: During the triumphal entry, Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey. (Matthew 21:2-7)

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Prophecies about Jesus are Proof

Stoner started by calculating the probability of 1 individual who could precisely fulfill only **8 prophecies** relating to Christ. He computed the odds at **1 in 10^{17}** .

That's 1 chance in 100,000,000,000,000,000 opportunities. *This is like covering the entire state of Texas 2 feet deep in silver dollars, marking 1 of them, and telling a blind man to pick the marked silver dollar on the 1st try.*

Dr. Stoner then computed the odds of 1 individual that could fulfill just **48 prophecies** relating to Christ. He calculated the odds at **1 X 10^{157}** . Those odds are beyond human comprehension.

But we know Jesus Christ fulfilled **332** distinct prophecies! The Bible **MUST** be true.

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Prophecies from Jesus

- **Events That Would Transpire in His Last Days**

- He would suffer many things (Matt. 16:21; 17:12)
- He would be condemned to death (Matt. 20:18)
- He would be crucified (Mt. 20:19; 26:2; Lk. 24:7)
- He would be raised from the dead
 - Spoke of it from early in His ministry (John 2:19-22)
 - Compared to Jonah (Matt. 12:39-40)
 - Be raised up on the third day (Matt. 17:23; 20:29)
 - Be raised and go to Galilee (Matt. 26:32; Mark 14:28)
- He would ascend into heaven
 - Would be taken away (Matt. 9:15; Luke 5:35)
 - Go back to the Father (John 7:33; 8:21; 16:7; 20:17)
 - Go to prepare a place (John 14:2-3)