

THE PROOF IS IN THE SAVIOR:

As we consider the prophecy's and bloodline, a picture begins to emerge as Christ being the only man _____ to be the Messiah. Yet there is one more question to ask, and that is if Jesus ever _____ to be the Messiah. And the answer to this question is in the words of Christ himself.

"You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; it is these that _____ about Me; John 5:39

Then beginning with Moses and with all the prophets, He explained to them the things concerning Himself in all the Scriptures. Luke 24:27

PREPARATION FOR NEXT CLASS:

Read John Chapter 8

A STUDY OF THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

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"Some of the people therefore, when they heard these words, were saying, 'This certainly is the Prophet.' Others were saying, 'This is the Christ.' Still others were saying, 'Surely the Christ is not going to come from Galilee, is He? Has not the Scripture said that the Christ comes from the descendants of David, and from Bethlehem, the village where David was?'" So a division occurred in the crowd because of Him. Some of them wanted to seize Him, but no one laid hands on Him. John 5:25-29

THIS IS THE CHRIST:

There exist today a great many _____ to the claims of the Christian faith. For many the _____ of Christ as the only savior for the world is _____ and beyond belief. Yet this claim by Christ and the scriptures remains. In this lesson we will explore some of the proofs which point to the fact that Jesus is in fact the Christ or the Messiah.

In this passage which we have before us there arose a controversy over the _____ of Christ, and that controversy continues to this day. For believers this question is not so controversial, but its answer is never the less very important. In the Old Testament God gave Israel and the world a valuable list of _____ which would have to fulfill in order for anyone to be _____ as the Christ. This list of criteria is found all through out the _____. We will look into two key areas which are messianic _____ and the messianic _____. In order to qualify as the messiah a man would have to satisfy both of these criteria at least, and we will discover how Christ does precisely that.

PROPHECY CONCERNING THE MESSIAH:

Through out the _____ of the Old Testament there are more than 300 messianic _____, which deal with the facts and details about the messiah, his _____, and personality.

Prophecies Concerning His Birth:

Born at Bethlehem (Micah 5:2; Matthew 2:1)

Presented with gifts at birth (Psalm 72:10; Isaiah 60:6; Matthew 2:1,11)

Flight to Egypt (Hoses 11:1, Matthew 2:13-15)

Prophecies Concerning His Ministry:

Ministry to begin in Galilee (Isaiah 9:1,2; Matthew 4:12,13,17)

Teacher of parables (Psalm 78:2; Matthew 13:34)

He was to enter Jerusalem on a donkey (Zechariah 9:9; Luke 19:35,36,37a)

Prophecies Concerning His Death:

Sold for 30 pieces of silver (Zechariah 11:12; Matthew 26:15)

Hands and feet pierced (Psalm 22:16; Luke 23:33)

His bones not broken (Psalm 34:20; John 19:33)

Buried in a rich man's tomb (Isaiah 53:9; Matthew 27:57-60)

One professor did a study to determine what the _____ would be that any one man could be the Messiah. Using a factor of only eight _____, he discovered that the probability of anyone fulfilling just 8 prophecies, would be 10^{17} or the number ten with _____ ze-ros behind it. This is only 8 out of 300 prophecies, and yet Christ fulfills not just a handfuls but every prophecy of the Old Testament.

THE BLOODLINE OF THE MESSIAH:

Furthermore, in order to be the messiah, Jesus would have to have been born of a very specific blood line.

Born of a virgin (Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:18, 24, 25)

Seed of Abraham (Genesis 22:18; Matthew 1:1; Galatians 3:16)

Son of Isaac (Genesis 21:12; Luke 3:23,34)

Abraham had two sons, Isaac and _____. Then God disqualifies one half of the lineage of Abraham.

Son of Jacob (Numbers 24:17; Luke 3:23,34)

Isaac had two sons, Jacob and _____. Now God eliminates one half of the lineage of Isaac.

Tribe of Judah (Genesis 49:10; Luke 3:23,33)

Jacob had _____ sons and each became a tribe of the Hebrew nation. Now God eliminates eleven-twelfths of the lineage of Jacob.

Family line of Jesse (Isaiah 11:1; Luke 3:23,32) Now God narrows it down even further by picking one family line out of the tribe of Judah.

House of David (Jeremiah 23:5; Luke 3:23,31)

Jesse had at least eight sons (I Samuel 16:10,11). Now God eliminates all of Jesse's sons except one, _____.