



*Prophesied:
Hope Recorded*

Jesus and the OT

Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his stripes we are healed.

(Isaiah 53:4-5 ESV)

Genealogy of Jesus in the OT

God gave a few people in the OT the promise of the Messiah coming out of their lineage:

Person	Promise	Fulfillment
Adam	Genesis 3:15	Luke 3:38
Abraham	Genesis 22:18	Matthew 1:1-2 Luke 3:34
Judah	Genesis 49:10 Micah 5:2	Matthew 1:2-3 Luke 3:33
Jesse	Isaiah 11:1, 10	Matthew 1:5-6 Luke 3:33
David	2nd Samuel 7:12-13	Matthew 1:1 & 6 Luke 3:31

Now the promises were made to Abraham and to his offspring.

It does not say, “And to offsprings,” referring to many, but referring to one, “And to your offspring,” who is Christ.

(Galatians 3:16 ESV)

The Virgin Birth

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 ESV)



Where the Birth Occurs

But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, who are too little to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel, whose coming forth is from of old, from ancient days.

(Micah 5:2 ESV)

Jesus as a Healer

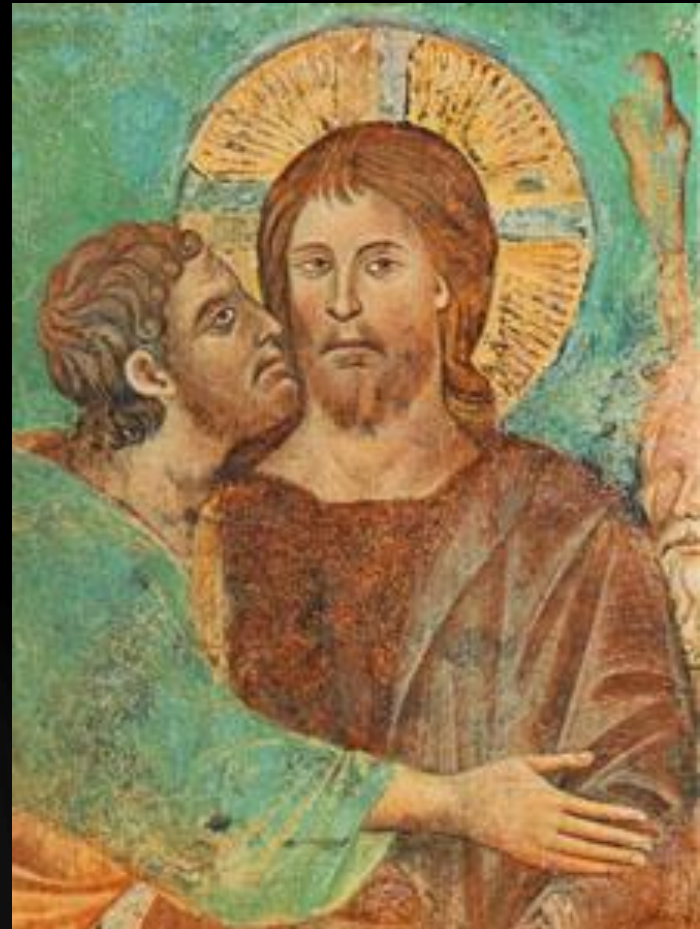
Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then shall the lame man leap like a deer, and the tongue of the mute sing for joy. For waters break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert;

(Isaiah 35:5-6 ESV)

The betrayal by Judas Iscariot

Even my close friend in whom I trusted, who ate my bread,
has lifted his heel against me.

(Psalm 41:9 ESV)



The betrayal by Judas Iscariot

Then I said to them, “If it seems good to you, give me my wages; but if not, keep them.” And they weighed out as my wages thirty pieces of silver.

(Zechariah 11:12 ESV)



His mocking and humiliation

I gave my back to those who strike, and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard; I hid not my face from disgrace and spitting.

(Isaiah 50:6 ESV)

They divide my garments among them, and for my clothing they cast lots.

(Psalm 22:18 ESV)

Jesus to arrive in Jerusalem on a donkey

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

(Zechariah 9:9 ESV)



The one and only Messiah

Was Jesus really the Messiah?

Was it possible He accidentally fulfilled the prophecies?

Could he have been trying to fulfill them?

NO

Fulfilling the prophecies

A really smart guy calculated that the odds of fulfilling 8 prophecies as exactly as Christ did are one in one hundred million billion

Or

1 in 100,000,000,000,000,000 (1 in 10^{17})

What does that mean?

Cover Texas in piles of silver dollars 2 feet thick, covering every inch of the land. Mark only one with a dot. Blindfold someone.

The odds of them finding it on the first try are the same as

Christ fulfilling 8 prophecies.



What about 48 prophecies?

1 in one trillion, trillion, trillion? No

1 in one trillion, trillion, trillion, trillion, trillion? Nope

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trillion, trillion, trillion, trillion, trillion,
trillion, trillion, trillion, trillion? YES!*

Jesus fulfilling prophecy

He didn't just fulfill 8 or 48, he fulfilled around 300 of them.

But what God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer, he thus fulfilled.

(Acts 3:18 ESV)

What is the point of prophecy?

A Broken Relationship

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.

– Genesis 3:15



God Deals With Sin

- **For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.**
– John 3:16

Eternal Life

And this is eternal life, that they know you the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.

– John 17:3