Messiah Has Come

God's Sovereignty and the Promised Coming of Christ

Isaiah 46:9-10

9 "Remember the former things long past, For I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is no one like Me, 10 Declaring the end from the beginning, And from ancient times things which have Not been done, Saying, 'My purpose will be established, And I will accomplish all My good pleasure"



Numbers 24:17a

17 I see him, but not now; I behold him, but not near; A star shall come forth from Jacob, A scepter shall rise from Israel

Galatians 4:4-5

4 But when the fullness of the time came, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the Law, 5 so that He might redeem those who were under the Law, that we might receive the adoption as sons.

The Goal for this Morning

To behold the awesome sovereignty of God through fulfilled prophecy and that Jesus is indeed the Christ, the Son of the Living God, promised in the Old Testament Scriptures and the fulfillment of the Father's purpose for His creation.



Genesis 3:15

15 And I will put enmity Between you and the woman, And between your seed and her seed; He shall bruise [crush] you on the head, And you shall bruise him on the heel.

God makes a promise before Adam and Eve leave the garden that a seed will be coming to crush the head of Satan.

Genesis 22:15-18

15 Then the angel of the Lord called to Abraham a second time from heaven, 16 and said, "By Myself I have sworn, declares the Lord, because you have done this thing and have not withheld your son, your only son, 17 indeed I will greatly bless you, and I will greatly multiply your seed as the stars of the heavens and as the sand which is on the seashore; and your seed shall possess the gate of their enemies. 18 In your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed, because you have obeyed My voice."

Matthew 1:1

1 The record of the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah, the son of David, the son of Abraham

Genesis 49:8-10 (ESV)

8 Judah, your brothers shall praise you; your hand shall be on the neck of your enemies; your father's sons shall bow down before you. 9 Judah is a lion's cub; from the prey, my son, you have gone up. He stooped down; he crouched as a lion and as a lioness; who dares rouse him? 10 The scepter shall not depart from Judah, nor the ruler's staff from between his feet, until tribute comes to him; and to him shall be the obedience of the peoples.

Deuteronomy 18:15

15 The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your countrymen, you shall listen to him.

John 7:40-42

40 Some of the people therefore, when they heard these words, were saying, "This certainly is the Prophet." 41 Others were saying, "This is the Christ." Still others were saying, "Surely the Christ is not going to come from Galilee, is He? 42 Has not the Scripture said that the Christ comes from the descendants of David, and from Bethlehem, the village where David was?"

Peter in Acts 3:22

22 Moses said, 'The Lord God will raise up for you a prophet like me from your brethren; to Him you shall give heed to everything He says to you."

Deuteronomy 18:18

18 I will raise up a prophet from among their countrymen like you, and I will put My words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him.

New Testament Connections

 John 3:34 – "For He whom God has sent speaks the words of God; for He gives the Spirit without measure."

 John 8:26 – "I have many things to speak and to judge concerning you, but He who sent Me is true; and the things which I heard from Him, these I speak to the world"

John 12:49-50

49 For I did not speak on My own initiative, but the Father Himself who sent Me has given Me a commandment as to what to say and what to speak. 50 I know that His commandment is eternal life; therefore the things I speak, I speak just as the Father has told Me.

Isaiah 7:14

14 Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, a virgin will be with child and bear a son, and she will call His name Immanuel.

Isaiah's prophetic ministry occurred between the years 740 and 681 B.C.

Matthew 1:21-23

21 She will bear a Son; and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins." 22 Now all this took place to fulfill what was spoken by the Lord through the prophet: 23 "Behold, the virgin shall be with child and shall bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel," which translated means, "God with us."

Isaiah 9:6

6 For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us; And the government will rest on His shoulders; And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace.

John 1:1-3, 14

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things came into being through Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being.

The "child" of Isaiah 9:6

9:7 There will be no end to the increase of His government or of peace, On the throne of David and over his kingdom, To establish it and to uphold it with justice and righteousness From then on and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will accomplish this.

Isaiah 11:1-3

1 Then a shoot will spring from the stem of Jesse, And a branch from his roots will bear fruit. 2 The Spirit of the Lord will rest on Him, The spirit of wisdom and understanding, The spirit of counsel and strength, The spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. 3 And He will delight in the fear of the Lord

Matthew 3:16

16 After being baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending as a dove and lighting on Him

Jeremiah 23:5-6

5 Behold, the days are coming," declares the Lord, "When I will raise up for David a righteous Branch; And He will reign as king and act wisely And do justice and righteousness in the land. "In His days Judah will be saved, And Israel will dwell securely; And this is His name by which He will be called, 'The Lord our righteousness.""

Jeremiah's prophetic ministry occurred between 626 and 586 B.C.

Jeremiah 33:14-15

14 "Behold, days are coming," declares the Lord, "when I will fulfill the good word which I have spoken concerning the house of Israel and the house of Judah. 15 In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch of David to spring forth; and He shall execute justice and righteousness on the earth.

Luke 3:23, 31

23 When He began His ministry, Jesus Himself was about thirty years of age, being, as was supposed, the son of Joseph, the son of Eli...31 the son of David

Zechariah 3:8; 6:12

8 Now listen, Joshua the high priest, you and your friends...for behold, I am going to bring in My servant the Branch."

12 Then say to him, "Thus says the Lord of hosts, 'Behold, a man whose name is Branch, for He will branch out from where He is; and He will build the temple of the Lord.

John 2:18-22

18 The Jews then said to Him, "What sign do You show us as your authority for doing these things?" 19 Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." 20 The Jews then said, "It took forty-six years to build this temple, and will You raise it up in three days?" 21 But He was speaking of the temple of His body. 22 So when He was raised from the dead, His disciples remembered that He said this; and they believed the Scripture and the word which Jesus had spoken.

1 Peter 2:4-5

4 And coming to Him as to a living stone which has been rejected by men, but is choice and precious in the sight of God, 5 you also, as living stones, are being built up as a spiritual house for a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

Hosea 11:1

"When Israel was a youth I loved him, And out of Egypt I called My son."

Hosea's prophetic ministry occurred between the years 743 and 722 B.C.

Matthew 2:15

15 He remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet: "Out of Egypt I called My Son."

Micah 5:2

2 But as for you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, Too little to be among the clans of Judah, From you One will go forth for Me to be ruler in Israel. His goings forth are from long ago, From the days of eternity."

Micah's prophetic ministry occurred between the years 735 and 700 B.C.

Matthew 2:1

1 Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem...

"His goings forth are from long ago, From the days of eternity"

• John 8:56-58 –

"Your father Abraham rejoiced to see My day, and he saw it and was glad." So the Jews said to Him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have You seen Abraham?" Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was born, I am."

Prophetic Requirements

Messiah shall be:

- From the Tribe of Judah
- From the line of Abraham
- From the line of Jesse
- From the line of David
- Called out of Egypt
- From Bethlehem Ephrathah
- Born of a virgin
- God in flesh

Just to Recap

We have established that Jesus fulfilled several prophecies that were undeniably written hundreds of years prior to His birth.



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John 14:29

"Now I have told you before it happens, so that when it happens, you may believe."

Fulfilled Prophecy is the Ultimate Checkmate.

How Many Prophecies Did Jesus Perfectly Fulfill?

A quick Google search will give you numbers that range from 61 to 353.

Prophecy Probability

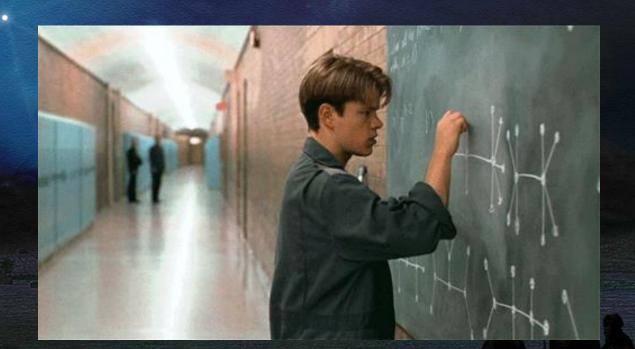
Probability of one man perfectly fulfilling 8 prophecies:

1 in 10¹⁷

Silver Dollar Illustration



Probability of one man perfectly fulfilling 48 prophecies: 1 in 10¹⁵⁷



The estimated number of electrons in the universe is 10⁷⁹!





