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Prophecies of Jesus Death, Burial & Resurrection

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INTRODUCTION TO BIBLE PROPHECY

The three phases of Life are Past, Present and Future. We remember our past, we live in the present and many of us would like to see the future. Many books have been written that claim to know the future. However, there is only one book, the Bible, that claims to exclusively and accurately predict man's destiny. The Bible is a Book of Prophecy. Many believe strongly the Bible is the inspired word of God who is the designer and creator of all things.

2 Timothy 3:16-17 NASB

All Scripture is inspired by God and beneficial for teaching, for rebuke, for correction, for training in righteousness; so that the man [or woman] of God may be fully capable, equipped for every good work.

God has no beginning or end, existing outside of time. God sees "time" from its beginning to the end. Therefore, God can predict the future and He has done so throughout the Bible, from the first book Genesis (creation of mankind) to the last book Revelation (the end of life on Old Earth).

The Bible is a Book of Prophecy. One fourth of the books in the Bible are of prophetic in nature (eschatological). Prophecies in Scriptures are either Fulfilled or Unfulfilled. The main subject of Prophecy is Jesus Christ. Other topics include Israel, the Gentile Nations, evil, Satan the Man of Sin, the Great Tribulation period and how this age will end. While the Church is also a subject of prophecy, it is never mentioned in the Old Testament.

In Isaiah, God tells us that all Bible Prophecies "will come to pass." This is an amazing statement that only God can make.

Isaiah 46:9-10 NLT

"Remember the things I have done in the past. For I alone am God! I am God, and there is none like me. Only I can tell you the future before it even happens. Everything I plan will come to pass, for I do whatever I wish."

This is God's promise to us that His Prophecies will all come true. It's made evident when we study the Fulfilled prophecies, which should be an encouragement concerning the Unfulfilled Prophecies. Bible Scholars have

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identified 300 references to over 61 specific prophecies of the Messiah fulfilled by Jesus Christ. What are the odds of only 8 prophecies coming true about a single person? Mathematicians have calculated the odds are 1 in 10 to the 21st power.

$$10^{21} = 10,000,000,000,000,000,000,000$$

Prophecies include: Virgin Birth, 30 pieces silver, Son of David, hands and feet pierced, casting lots for clothing, riding a donkey, Born in Bethlehem. Just as the prophecies of Jesus Birth, death, burial and resurrection have been fulfilled, the prophecies of His Second Coming will come true. While the Study of Prophecy is a dominant part of the Bible, it is often ignored or skimmed over. Why, likely because it often takes much study to adequately absorb its meaning.

Why does the Bible focus so much attention on Prophecy? Because, it provides undeniable proof that the Bible is the Word of God and that all that read and study it can rest assured that it is God Inspired and can be relied upon for Life direction.

This study focuses on the Prophecies of the Death, Burial, Resurrection and Ascension of Jesus Christ, the son of God.

CHAPTER # 1: "JESUS CAME JUST AS PROMISED"

The events of the Life of Jesus unfold like a biography or at least a synopsis of the teachings and ministries of Jesus. One thing we can easily overlook in the midst of these stories, healings, teachings, and the prophetic Scriptures of the Old Testament; Christ was living out those prophecies with total accuracy, just as the Old Testament had said that he would. So, we see that Jesus did die a tragic death, so tragic that the Jewish scholars, many of them working full time on the interpretation and teaching of the prophecies, did not see a Messiah in these prophetic passages. But it should not have been unexpected. Prophecy after prophecy was fulfilled by Jesus through His death, burial, resurrection and ascension.

Why was He not Recognized by Jewish Scholars?

It may have been that the true Messiah, Jesus did not fit the Jewish concept of who they thought a Messiah should be. It may also have been that although the Old Testament speaks of the salvation of the Gentiles, almost to a person, the Jewish people of the day of Jesus would say that Gentiles would only be saved if they became Jews first and observed all the laws of the Jews. Which was not the way Jesus converted the Gentile world.

So, Jesus was fulfilling many of the general prophecies about the Messiah while He was living His life and ministering; but we now realize that many were not totally fulfilled until Jesus died on the cross. When a Jewish scholar says, *"I do not find Jesus Christ as the Messiah in the Old Testament"*; we might easily ask, *"Don't you mean that you do not find the Messiah that fits your image of what a Messiah should be in the person of Jesus Christ."* Jesus fulfilled Scripture prophesy after Scripture prophesy and was the Jewish Messiah who had been promised.

JESUS, THE MESIAH – PERFECT HUMAN SACRIFICE FOR SIN

Over 60 Old Testament prophecies were fulfilled in the final few weeks of the life of Jesus here on this earth and they validate the Messiahship of Christ and how he alone could be the Messiah that God promised to this world.

The death of Christ sealed the final victory over Satan. It was God Himself who had prophesied this victory. In the Garden of Eden, God said to Satan:

PROPHECY #1 Messiah Was Human

Prophecy *Genesis 3:15*

"And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers, he will crush your head and you will strike his heel."

This Scripture was fulfilled by the death of Jesus.

Fulfilled *Hebrews 2:14-15*

"Since the children have flesh and blood, he too shared in their humanity so that by his death he might break the power of him who holds the power of death—that is, the devil, and free those who all of their lives were held in slavery by their fear of death."

The fact that Jesus had become human and lived a perfect human life made him lower than the angels; but available to help people like no one else had ever helped. He had made Himself lower than the angels, another prophecy He fulfilled:

PROPHECY #2 *God Cares for Human Beings*

Prophecy *Psalms 144:3*

"Lord, what are human beings that you care for them, mere mortals that you think of them?"

Fulfilled *Hebrews 2:6-9*

"What is mankind that you are mindful of them, a son of man that you care for him? You made them a little lower than the angels; you crowned them with glory and honor, and put everything under their feet."

Jesus in becoming a person had become the one and only perfect sacrifice to take the place of sinful people and save them by their accepting Him as their Savior and substituting his perfect life for their sinful life.

BRINGING SALVATION TO THE GENTILES

PROPHECY #3 *God Brings Salvation to the Gentiles*

The death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus was a perfect fulfillment of how God would bring salvation to the Gentiles. It had been prophesied:

Prophecy *Isaiah 11:10*

"In that day, the Root of Jesse, will stand as a banner for the peoples; the nations will rally to him, and his resting place will be glorious."

Fulfilled *Acts 11:18*

"When they heard this, they had no further objections and praised God, saying, 'So then, even to Gentiles God has granted repentance that leads to life.'"

PROPHECY #4 Messiah Ancestor of David

Prophecy Amos 9:11-12

"In that day I will restore David's fallen shelter, I will repair its broken walls and restore its ruins—and will rebuild it as it used to be, so that they may possess the remnant of Edom and all the nations that bear my name, declares the Lord who will do these things."

A clear fulfillment through Jesus is seen in:

Fulfilled Romans 15:12

"The Root of Jesse will spring up, one who will arise to rule over the nations; in him the Gentiles will hope."

PROPHECY #5 Jesus, the Messiah, Light Unto the Gentiles

Prophecy Isaiah 49:6

"It is too small a thing for you to be my servant to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back those of Israel I have kept. I will also make you a light for the Gentiles, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth."

It was directly fulfilled in **Acts 13:46-47** where Paul and Barnabas explain their commission from God. Jewish Scholars considered a world made of two groups, Jews and Gentiles and all Gentiles were called "Nations."

Fulfilled Acts 13:46-47

"We had to speak the word of God to you first. Since you reject it and do not consider yourselves worthy of eternal life, we now turn to the Gentiles, for this is what the Lord has commanded us, 'I have made you a light for the Gentiles, that you may bring salvation to the ends of the earth.'"

The prophecies went so far as to say that Gentiles would believe in the Messiah Jesus, even though they had not sought him.

PROPHECY #6 Messiah Revealed to the Gentiles

Prophecy Isaiah 65:1

"I revealed myself to those who did not ask for me; I was found by those who did not seek me. To a nation that did not call on my name, I said, 'here am I, here am I.'"

Fulfilled Romans 10:20

"And Isaiah boldly says, 'I was found by those who did not seek me; I revealed myself to those who did not ask for me.'"

JESUS WAS A BLOOD SACRIFICE

PROPHECY #7 Teaching of the Passover

The death of Jesus would be a defeat of the Devil, the taking of the Gospel to the entire world, with a focus on reaching the Gentiles, but it would be framed in the Old Testament teaching of the Passover. The Israelites, slaves of the Egyptians, on a special night were to take a perfect lamb, and roast it for their meal and eat all of the meal. Then they were to take the blood of that perfect lamb and they were to paint the blood on the sides and tops of the doorframes of their homes.

Prophecy *Exodus 12:12-13*

“On that same night I will pass through Egypt and strike down every firstborn of both people and animals, and I will bring judgment on all the gods of Egypt. I am the Lord. The blood will be a sign for you on the houses where you are, and when I see the blood, I will pass over you. No destructive plague will touch you when I strike Egypt.”

Fulfilled through the death of Jesus the Messiah, our Passover Lamb, when the Bible says:

Fulfilled *1 Corinthians 5:7*

“Get rid of the old yeast, so that you may be a new unleavened batch—as you really are. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed.”

This theme is used in other prophecies about Jesus.

PROPHECY #8 Blood Sacrifice

Moses then took the blood, sprinkled it on the people and said:

Prophecy *Exodus 24:8*

“This is the blood of the covenant that the Lord has made with you in accordance with all these words.”

It was clearly fulfilled and explained to the people in Hebrews.

Fulfilled *Hebrews 9:13-14*

“The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer sprinkled on those who are ceremonially unclean sanctify them so that they are outwardly clean. How much more, then will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself, unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from the acts that lead to death, so that we may serve the living God.”

It was clear that the atoning blood of the Messiah would be the sacrifice that saved people.

PROPHECY #9 Atoning Sacrifice for Sin

Prophecy **Leviticus 16:15-17**

“He shall then slaughter the goat for the sin offering for the people and take its blood behind the curtain and do with it as he did with the bull’s blood: He shall sprinkle it on the atonement cover and in front of it. In this way, he will make atonement on the Most Holy Place because of the sins.”.

The New Testament shows this fulfilled in many different scriptures: **Romans 3:25; Hebrews 9:1-14, Hebrews 9: 24**; and in this verse.

Fulfilled **1 John 2:2**

“I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have an advocate with the Father—Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.”

Jesus by becoming human, living a life without a single sin, and becoming our perfect sacrifice has brought the Gentile world into the family of God and has showed that His blood can atone for Jews and Gentiles alike. These are general prophecies that Jesus fulfilled by the gift of His life, and His death on the cross. They were all fulfilled in those last few weeks that Jesus was still here on the earth. But He was not done. He would also fulfill every single detailed prophecy that was written about what would happen in the last days of Christ here on earth as a human and then with a ‘new, glorified’ body until His ascension.

70 WEEKS OF DANIEL PROPHECIES

One of the most remarkable prophecies was the passage from the Book of Daniel.

PROPHECY #10 70 Weeks of Daniel

Prophecy **Daniel 9:25-26**

“Know and understand this: From the time the word goes out to restore and rebuild Jerusalem until the Anointed One, the ruler comes, there will be seven sevens, and sixty-two sevens. It will be rebuilt with streets and a trench, but in times of trouble. After the sixty-two sevens, the Anointed One will be put to death and will have nothing. The people of the ruler who will come will destroy the city and the sanctuary. The end will come like a flood: War will continue until the end, and desolation have been decreed.”

This great prophecy predicts or gives a prophecy about when the Messiah (Jesus) will be killed. Daniel times the death of Jesus in a book written four hundred eighty-three years before the birth of Christ. Daniel in his book uses the term weeks to represent years. The time he writes about describes the time from Artaxerxes, the ruler of the Persians and Medes, decree to rebuild Jerusalem in 445 BC (found in **Nehemiah 2:1-18**) until the time for the Millennial or the Messianic Kingdom. It was divided into three segments:

1. **Seven Weeks** (49 years) for the close of Nehemiah's career and the close of the Old Testament.
2. **Sixty-two Weeks** (434 years) for a total of 483 that takes us to the First Advent of the Messiah. Fulfilled at the Triumphant Entry on 9 Nisan. The Messiah "cut-off" is a common reference to death.

Fulfilled *Matthew 21:10-11*

"When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, 'Who is this?' The crowds answered, 'This is Jesus, the Prophet from Nazareth in Galilee.'"

"Prophet" is another term for Messiah.

3. **Seven Weeks** (7 years) for the time of the Antichrist or tribulation. The Antichrist comes through the Roman people. The Roman people are the ones who destroyed the city of Jerusalem in 125 BC and the Temple of God in Jerusalem in AD 70.

PROPHECY #11 Triumphant Entry Into Jerusalem

The next key prophecy fulfilled in the life and death of Jesus is the triumphant entry into Jerusalem to declare He was the Messiah. Zechariah said it would happen.

Prophecy *Zechariah 9:9*

"Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion!" Shout, Daughter Jerusalem! See your king comes to you., righteous and victorious, lowly and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey."

It was fulfilled in the New Testament in **John 12:12-18** and **Matthew 21:1-11** both talk about the triumphant entry into the city of Jerusalem on the day we now called Palm Sunday.

Fulfilled *John 12:12-18*

"The next day the great crowd that had come for the festival heard that Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem. They took palm branches and went out to meet him, shouting, 'Hosanna!' 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!' 'Blessed is the king of Israel!' Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, as it is written: 'Do not be afraid, Daughter Zion; see, your king is coming, seated on a donkey's colt.' At first his disciples did not understand all this. Only after Jesus was glorified did they realize that these things had been written about him and that these things had been done to him. Now the crowd that was with him when he called Lazarus from the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to spread the word. Many people, because they had heard that he had performed this sign, went out to meet him."

PROPHECY #12 Final Coming of Jesus

This passage in Zechariah speaks of the Final coming of Jesus:

Prophecy Zechariah 9:10

"I will take the chariots from Ephraim and the warhorses from Jerusalem and the battle bow will be broken. He will proclaim peace to the nations. His rule will extend from sea to sea and from the river to the ends of the earth."

This will not be fulfilled totally until Christ comes back to earth and rules this earth for 1,000 years.

Jesus comes riding on a donkey. He was from the house of David and fulfilled the prophecy by His entry. David's son, by ancestry and birth would be the new king, Christ Jesus, who would later be the King from the line of David that would rule forever, first in the Millennial Kingdom here on earth and later eternally in heaven.

Fulfilled Luke 1:32-33

"He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over Jacob's descendants forever; his kingdom will never end."

PROPHECY #13 His Throne will be Established Forever

This prophecy was clear as Nathan tells him a message from the Lord.

Prophecy I Chronicles 17:14

"I will set him over my house and my kingdom forever, His throne will be established forever."

The prophecy was repeated and fulfilled in several New Testament passages and is very clear in the message of the angel Gabriel to Mary, the Mother of Jesus.

Fulfilled Luke 1:32-33

"He will be great and will be called he Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over Jacob's descendants forever, his kingdom will never end."

Other Scriptures say Jesus fulfilled the prophecy of being a King from the line of David, also called a Son of David.

PROPHECY #14 Jesus Messiah Enters Jerusalem on a Donkey

Jesus comes riding on a donkey. He fulfilled the prophecy of Zechariah on that Sunday as he mounted an unbroken foal donkey and went into the city.

Prophecy *Zechariah 9:9*

"Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion! Shout, Daughter Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you, righteous and victorious, lowly and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey".

Fulfilled *Matthew 21:1-5*

"As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied there, with her colt by her. Untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, say that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away." This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet: "Say to Daughter Zion, 'See, your king comes to you, gentle and riding on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.'"

Jesus selected an unbroken donkey. Christ chose the donkey from the town of Bethpage, mentioned only this once in the Scripture. He Divinely tells His disciples where to go and what to say. The animal chosen exactly fulfills the prophecy; the multitudes recognize the sign and respond with titles and accolades that only fit the Messiah. Christ rode the unbroken foal but the mare, the mom of the colt, was with them. The crowds treat Jesus as the Messiah; call Him the 'Son of God', cry Hosanna, save now; and quote the Messianic Psalm, *"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord."*

PROPHECY #15 *People Praise Jesus*

The people waved palm branches, a nationalistic symbol for the messianic liberator to come, shouted Hosanna 'give-salvation-now', from:

Prophecy *Psalm 118:25-26*

"Lord, save us! (Hosanna) Lord, grant us success! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, From the house of the Lord, we bless you."

It was fulfilled both in ***John 12:12-18*** and ***Matthew 21:1-11***.

Fulfilled *Matthew 21:8-11*

"A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Hosanna in the highest heaven!" When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, "Who is this?" The crowds answered, "This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee."

These were the very songs the Passover pilgrims chanted and sang each day of the Passover as they came into the city and into the Temple. That day they saw the songs come true and sang them to Jesus.

JESUS COMES TO THE EARTH

As promised, the Messiah has come to this earth. He is here and He is about to fulfill the greatest mission ever given to anyone on earth. Become the complete and perfect sacrifice needed for the world to have universal salvation and the promise of an eternal life.

The sad part of this resurrection story is that the prophets knew that He would be rejected by many and that it would produce great grief.

PROPHECY #16 Jesus Messiah Despised & Rejected by Mankind

Prophecy *Isaiah 53:3*

"He was despised and rejected by mankind, a man of suffering, and familiar with pain. Like one from whom people hide their faces he was despised and we held him in low esteem."

Prophecy *Isaiah 53:11*

"After he has suffered, he will see the light of life and be satisfied; by his knowledge my righteous servant will justify many, and he will bear their iniquities (sins)."

Isaiah saw the hatred towards the Messiah/Servant and the rejection. It would not only be external abuse but because it involved rejection by those he came to save, caused great internal grief. The prophecy says they had no respect for the Son of God and actually avoiding looking upon him. But ***Isaiah 53:11*** tells us that Jesus knew just what was needed to solve sin and He would justify all sinners by His one sacrifice, the innocent for the guilty.

Matthew 26:37-38 is one Scripture that fulfills the intense and great hurt Jesus would feel. It is the time when Jesus shares with His inner disciple circle that He is in great anguish. In a few hours He would drink the full cup of fury against all sins. He would bear the sins of Man, ***Hebrews 9:28*** and the fullness of Divine wrath would fall on Him ***II Corinthians 5:21***. He surrenders His will, and accepts the grief and the agony. He would endure the cup of fury, Satan, the power of death and the guilt of iniquity. The fulfillment passage in Matthew says:

Fulfilled *Matthew 26:37-38*

"He took Peter and the two sons of Zebedee along with Him, and he began to be sorrowful and troubled. Then he said to them, 'My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death. Stay here and keep watch with me.'"

Fulfilled *Hebrews 9:27-28*

"Just as people are destined to die once, and after that to face judgment, so Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many; and he will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for him."

CHAPTER # 2 “JESUS WAS BETRAYED BY MANY”

This study focuses on the prophecies Jesus fulfilled in the last few weeks of His life on earth. It is essential to realize the history, prophecy, and the exactness of the story of Jesus in both the Old Testament (Prophecy) and the New Testament (Human life).

The goal is for each reader to see how completely Jesus fulfilled the Old Testament prophecies about a Messiah, and therefore eliminated all arguments about Jesus not being the Messiah God had written about in His Word.

WHY DID JESUS HAVE A BETRAYER?

One fulfilled prophecy has caused concern and question. Jesus had a betrayer, Judas Iscariot, but the question is why would the Messiah have someone who would betray him?

This question ignores two things the Bible is quite clear about.

1. Jesus had to have a betrayer to match all the Scripture prophecies written about Him. He was an outsider compared to the Pharisees, Sadducees, Priests, and Jewish leaders of his time and they interpreted Scripture prophecy so that it would justify and match their lofty positions. They never intended to let the prophecies speak for themselves.
2. The Bible made it clear that Jesus would be betrayed by a host of people: Judas was just one; Peter another, His disciples a third, and the nation a fourth and our study will show that a compliance of betrayers was often involved to eliminate Jesus and have him killed.

JESUS BETRAYED BY JUDAS

PROPHECY #17 Jesus Betrayed by Judas, a Close Friend

By looking closely at the betrayal of Jesus, our attention is quickly focused on Judas Iscariot, a disciple of Jesus who would deliberately betray Jesus for money.

The prophecy was clear in the Old Testament.

Prophecy *Psalm 41:9*

“Even my close friend, someone I trusted, one who shared my bread, has turned against me.”

The betrayal is spelled out with more detail in:

Prophecy *Psalm 55:12-14*

"If an enemy were insulting me, I could endure it; if a foe were rising against me, I could hide. But it was you, a man like myself, my companion, my close friend, with whom I once enjoyed sweet fellowship at the house of God, as we walked about among the worshippers."

Both of these passages in Psalms were written by David who was betrayed by many: King Saul, Absalom, and Abner just to name a few. Betrayal by a close friend is devastating and Jesus in: **John 13:18** quotes this Scripture to explain why Judas had been chosen as a Disciple. The passage of fulfillment reads:

Fulfilled *John 13:18*

"I am not referring to all of you; I know those who I have chosen. But this is to fulfill this passage of Scripture. He who shared my bread has turned against me." (Refers to **Psalm 41:9**.)

The passage continues as Jesus explains what and why is going to happen, before it happens, and to convince them He was the Son of God. Listen to what Jesus says before Judas is revealed as one who betrays Jesus.

John 13:19-27.

"I am telling you now before it happens, so that when it does happen you will believe that I am who I am. Very truly I tell you, whoever accepts anyone I send accepts me; and whoever accepts me accepts the one who sent me. After he had said this, Jesus was very troubled in spirit and testified, 'Very truly, I tell you, one of you is going to betray me'. His disciples stared at one another, at a loss to know which of them he meant. One of them, the disciple whom Jesus loved, was reclining next to him. Simon Peter motioned to this disciple and said, 'Ask him which one he means.' Leaning back against Jesus, he asked him, 'Lord, who is it?' Jesus answered, 'It is the one to whom I will give this piece of bread when I have dipped it in the dish.' Then dipping the piece of bread, he gave it to Judas; the son of Simon Iscariot. As soon as Judas took the bread, Satan entered into him. So, Jesus told him, 'What you are about to do, do quickly.' But no one at the meal understood why Jesus said this to him."

Also, verses in **Matthew 26** show the fulfillment of this Scripture and once again it is Jesus who brings up the subject, pin-points the betrayer, and accepts the kiss of greeting from Judas who has led the Temple guard out to the Garden of Gethsemane to arrest Jesus. It reads.

Fulfilled *Matthew 26:20-25*

"When evening came, Jesus was reclining at the table with the Twelve. And while they were eating, he said, 'Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me.' They were very sad and began to say to him one after the other, 'Surely you don't mean me, Lord?'" Jesus replied, "The one who has dipped his hand into the bowl with me will betray me. The Son of Man

will go just as it is written about him. But woe to that man who betrays the Son of Man! It would be better for him if he had not been born." Then Judas, the one who would betray him, said, "Surely you don't mean me, Rabbi?" Jesus answered, "You have said so."

Later in the same chapter we see another interchange between Judas, the betrayer and Jesus the Messiah,

Matthew 26:47-50

"While he was still speaking, Judas one of the Twelve, arrived. With him was a large crowd armed with swords and clubs, sent from the chief priests and the elders of the people. Now the betrayer had arranged a signal with them; 'The one I kiss is the man, arrest him. Going at once to Jesus, Judas said, 'Greetings Rabbi,' and kissed him. Jesus replied, 'Do what you came for, friend.' Then the men stepped forward, seized Jesus and arrested him."

It is the passage of **Psalms 55** where the prophecy shows the breadth and impact of this betrayal. Jesus and Judas, who was the treasurer of the disciples, had shared so many vital spiritual experiences, and the betrayal was stinging.

Jesus explains carefully in **Matthew 26:47-49** that he had full knowledge of what would happen. It did not lessen the hurt, but he accepted it and told them how it was part of the plan. Only after Jesus had given this explanation of all that was happening and why did he share the first communion with his disciples.

PROPHECY #18 Replacement of Judas as a Disciple

Betrayal by a close friend is devastating and Jesus quotes Scripture to explain why Judas had been chosen as a Disciple. This was taught in depth to the disciples by Jesus before He ascended. In **Acts 1:15-17**, we have a prophetic event about the betrayal of Judas that builds on the explanation of Jesus of why Judas betrayed Jesus and how the Church was to handle that betrayal.

Acts 1:15-17

"15 In those days Peter stood up among the believers (a group numbering about a hundred and twenty) 16 and said, "Brothers and sisters, the Scripture had to be fulfilled in which the Holy Spirit spoke long ago through David concerning Judas, who served as guide for those who arrested Jesus. 17 He was one of our number and shared in our ministry."

'For,' said Peter, 'It is written in the Book of Psalms,'

Prophecy Psalms 69:25

"May their place be deserted; let there be no one to dwell in their tents."

Prophecy Psalms 109:8 *"May his days be few; may another take his place of leadership."*

The fulfillment is in **Acts 1**.

Fulfilled Act 1:21

"Therefore, it is necessary to choose one of the men who have been with us the whole time the Lord Jesus was living among us."

The prophecy about the replacement of Judas shows that the disciples did not think that Judas had nobly tried to force the hand of Jesus. After all, Judas only left the Passover meal with Jesus after Jesus had pointed him out and the Devil had entered into his heart. But the Scripture shows Jesus chose a man whose heart and cunning would allow him to betray the Son of God. God knew it would happen and so did Jesus and they teach the Church leaders and because of those prophecies and teaching, Peter had the infant Church replace the spot of Judas before the Church had its first public service.

PROPHECY #19 Ransom Amount for Betrayal

The betrayal had several more prophetic levels to it. The Old Testament had told the ransom amount of the betrayal of Jesus in Zechariah.

Prophecy Zechariah 11:12

"If you think it best, give me my pay, but if not, keep it." So, they paid me thirty pieces of silver."

Zechariah wrote a drama in Chapter 11 where Jesus asks those He came to shepherd what they felt He was worth? In mocking response, the leaders offered 30 pieces of silver, which was the amount of compensation paid for a slave gored by an ox, **Exodus 21:32**. This is exactly what Judas Iscariot was paid to betray the Great Shepherd. Worth no more than a common slave.

It was fulfilled in **Matthew 26**.

Fulfilled Matthew 26:14-15,

"Then one of the Twelve, the one called Judas Iscariot; went to the chief priests and asked, 'What are you willing to give me if I deliver him over to you?' So, they counted out for him thirty pieces of silver.' From then on Judas watched for an opportunity to hand him over."

This passage of prophesy about the Messiah points out how Judas set up the betrayal with a very receptive group of Chief Priests. His negotiation sounds like Zechariah's question. He just asked, 'How much will you give me for Jesus?' They gave him 30 pieces of silver. From then on Judas watched for an opportunity to hand him over.

The prophesy was the Messiah would be betrayed for 30 pieces of silver and the fate of Jesus was, He was betrayed for 30 pieces of silver. The prophecy was exact.

PROPHECY #20 Where the Betrayal Money was Spent

The bible also prophesied where that betrayal money would be spent. First, the prophecy:

Prophecy Zechariah 11:13

"And the Lord said to me, 'Throw it to the potter'—the handsome price at which they valued me! So, I took the silver and threw them to the potter at the house of the Lord."

The prophet Zechariah showed that after Jesus was betrayed and rejected, the betrayer was to take the 30 pieces of silver and throw them into the Temple.

The Fulfillment in **Matthew 27**.

Fulfilled Matthew 27:3-7 says,

"When Judas, who had betrayed him, saw that Jesus was condemned, he was seized with remorse and returned the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and the elders. "I have sinned," he said, "for I have betrayed innocent blood." "What is that to us?" they replied. "That's your responsibility." So, Judas threw the money into the temple and left. Then he went away and hanged himself. The chief priests picked up the coins and said, "It is against the law to put this into the treasury, since it is blood money." So, they decided to use the money to buy the potter's field as a burial place for foreigners."

This prophecy was fulfilled when Judas, very filled with guilt, went back and tried to give the money back to the Chief Priest but when he refused to take it back, Judas threw it on the Temple floor and fled.

The priests gathered the money and used it to buy a field from the potter for a 'princely price.' God uses sarcasm to define this great insult from humanity to His Son Jesus.

PROPHECY #21 A Field is Bought with Betrayal Money

Matthew tells us this was also a prophecy from Jeremiah, where Jeremiah bought a field. It was loaned and lost in the 50 years between the Jubilee Year and the gift could be redeemed by a relative at the Year of Jubilee and Jeremiah did just that as the Lord instructed him.

Second time in prophesy about the betrayal money paid for Jesus is in **Jeremiah 32**.

Prophecy Jeremiah 32:6-9:

"Jeremiah said, 'The word of the Lord came to me. Hanamel son of Shallum your uncle is going to come to you and say, buy my field at Anathoth, because as nearest relative it is your right and duty to buy it.' Then, just as the Lord had said, my cousin Hanamel came to me in the courtyard of the guard and said, 'Buy my field at Anathoth in the territory of Benjamin. Since it is your right to redeem it and possess it, buy it for yourself.'"

Judas, touched only by worldly sorrow.

II Corinthians 7:10

“Godly sorrow brings repentance that leads to salvation and leaves no regret, but worldly sorrow brings death.”

Judas feels this worldly sorrow and feels a strong pull to not keep the betrayal money. He will give it back to the Priests/Levites, just as Jeremiah was a Levite and did the same with the land he had purchased because it had been lost through mismanagement. The motivation of the priests was terrible and the motivation of Judas was inspired by the devil but Judas could not keep the blood money. When he threw it into the Temple and the priests collected it, they also bought a field that had been marked and pocked by clay workers and was no longer any good for farming. It did become a burial field for foreigners who died in Jerusalem and had no money or family. Luke explains this twist of fate that allowed Judas to do something good out of the money that betrayed Jesus.

Fulfilled Acts 1:18

“With the payment he received for his wickedness, Judas bought a field, there he fell headlong, his body burst open and all of his intestines spilled out. Everyone in Jerusalem heard about this, so they called that field in their language, ‘Akeldama’, that is, Field of Blood.”

JESUS FORSAKEN BY HIS DISCIPLES

PROPHECY #22 Jesus Forsaken by His Disciples

Jesus was also completely forsaken by His Disciples. Zechariah had said it would happen.

Prophecy Zechariah 13:7

“Awake, sword, against my shepherd, against the man who is close to me! Declares the Lord Almighty. Strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered, and I will turn my hand against the little ones.”

In this passage, “The Lord Almighty” identifies the Good Shepherd, the one so close to Him. The original Hebrew says, ‘My Companion’ and affirms the Deity of Christ. The Good Shepherd was one name for Jesus and He would die as pre-designed.

Prophecy Isaiah 53:10

“Yet it was the Lord’s will to crush him and cause him to suffer, and though the Lord makes his life an offering for sin, he will see his offspring and prolong his days, and the will of the lord will prosper in his hand.”

Luke spells out how this prophecy was fulfilled and lived out in the Hand of God the Father and the life of His son Jesus,

Acts 2:23

“This man was handed over to you by God’s deliberate plan and foreknowledge, and you with the help of wicked men, put him to death by nailing him to the cross.”

Zechariah had said that when the Shepherd was struck (arrested and killed) the sheep, or disciples would scatter. Their defection would lead to only more persecution and suffering for all the other believers. Jesus tells them in a moment of fleshly fear they will disown Christ.

Fulfilled Mathew 26:31-35

“Then Jesus said, ‘This very night you will all fall away on account of me, for it is written: ‘I will strike the shepherd and the sheep of the flock will be scattered. But after I have risen, I will go ahead of you into Galilee.’ Peter replied, ‘Even if all fall away on account of you, I never will.’ ‘Truly I tell you,’ Jesus answered, ‘this very night, before the rooster crows you will disown me three times.’ But Peter declared, ‘Even if I have to die with you. I will never disown you.’ And all the other disciples said the same.”

But Christ in this passage prays that they return in faith, and they do. So, the disciples when they see that Jesus will not resist, just flee as the prophecy said. Jesus was in Gethsemane praying with His disciples when the guards came to arrest him and after a brief clash where Jesus told Peter to put his sword up and healed the ear of a man Peter had struck.

Matthew 26:55

“Jesus said to the crowd, ‘Am I leading a rebellion, that you have to come out with swords and clubs to capture me? Every day I sat in the temple courts teaching and you did not arrest me. But this has all taken place that the writings of the prophets might be fulfilled.’ Then all the disciples deserted him and fled.”

Mark draws special attention to a young man who was fleeing, probably because it was himself.

Mark 14:51

“A young man, wearing nothing but a linen garment, was following Jesus. When they seized him, he fled naked, leaving his garment behind.”

This was a perfect picture of the disciples of Jesus. They fled immediately and completely. Only Peter and John followed from a distance. Peter quit following after he publicly humiliated himself by denying he ever knew Jesus and only John stayed on into the night. The sheep had truly scattered and the betrayal was complete.

CHAPTER # 3 “JESUS DELIBERATELY HUMILIATED”

This Chapter continues to look at the prophecies Jesus fulfilled the last few weeks of His life on earth to lead each of us to appreciate more what happened from Psalm Sunday to Resurrection Sunday. It was not just the events of one week. It was the climax of God breathed prophecy anticipated for over 5,000 years. It was God-forthtelling Satan of his destruction when mankind was just two people still living in an ideal Garden of Eden but having to leave because of the influence Satan had had in their life. It was a final victory over the power of sin and the passing centuries had just made it more desirable and more needed. We are focused on the many prophecies about the end of the life of Jesus, over 90 in this study, and how they were fulfilled in detail in the end of the life of Jesus on earth. When Jesus brought us the greatest victory ever.

We want each reader to discover how detailed Jesus fulfilled the Old Testament prophecies about a Messiah and how that truly eliminates any concern about this provable fact: Jesus was the prophesized Messiah. He had been sent by God to live a perfect life and become our human sacrificial substitute for our salvation.

JESUS EXPERIENCED TOTAL HUMILIATION

This Chapter takes a Biblical look at the total humiliation that Jesus experienced at the hands of those who killed Him. Let us take a look at how severe and total His humiliation was.

PROPHECY #23 All Accusations Against Jesus Made by False Witnesses

David said that accusations made against Jesus would be true in Psalm.

Prophecy *Psalms 35:11-12*

*“Ruthless witnesses come forward: they question me on things I know nothing about.
They repay me with evil for good.”*

The Psalm speaks about two Kings: David first and Jesus later. Both instances are about men from the house of David. David and Jesus both were honest, both gave friendship, and sought to help, only to have false witnesses try to slander them and destroy them.

This prophecy was fulfilled in **Matthew** which says.

Fulfilled *Matthew 26:59-63*

“The chief priests and the whole Sanhedrin were looking for false evidence against Jesus so that they could put him to death. But they did not find any, though many false witnesses came forward. Finally, two came forward and declared, ‘This fellow said, ‘I am able to destroy the temple of God and rebuild it in three days.’ Then the high priest stood

up and said to Jesus, 'are you not going to answer? What is this testimony that these men are bringing against you?'"

Mark speaks of the same parade of false witnesses against Jesus and adds one new fact.

Fulfilled *Mark 14:55-59*

"The chief priests and the whole Sanhedrin were looking for evidence against Jesus so that they could put him to death, but they did not find any. Many testified falsely against him, but their statements did not agree. Then some stood up and gave this false testimony against him, 'We heard him say, 'I will destroy this temple made with human hands and in three days will build another, not made with hands.' YET EVEN THEN THEIR TESTIMONY DID NOT AGREE."

Matthew and Mark, both tell us that the Sanhedrin, Israel's Supreme Court of that day, was looking for false witnesses; really any witness that they might use to condemn Jesus. Many were willing to perjure themselves but none could agree.

PROPHECY #24 *Two Witnesses Distort What Jesus Said and Meant*

Then two witnesses distort what Jesus said and meant in **John 2**. Jesus had just chased the money changers out of the Temple the first time and fulfilled Scripture. What Jesus said was.

Prophecy *Psalms 69:9*

"For zeal for your house consumes me, and the insults of those who insult you fall on me."

Fulfilled *John 2:16-22*

*"Get these out of here! Stop turning my Father's house into a market!" (His disciples remembered the prophecy in **Psalms 69:9** and said, "It is written, 'Zeal for your house will consume me.'") "The Jews then responded to him, 'what sign can you show us to prove your authority to do all this?' Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple and I will raise it again in three days.' They replied, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and you are going to raise it in three days?' But the temple he had spoken of was his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples recalled what he had said. Then they believed the Scripture and the words that Jesus had spoken."*

PROPHECY #25 *Messiah to be Raised from the Dead*

The Messiah had been promised to be raised from the dead.

Prophecy *Psalms 16:10*

"Because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead, nor will you let your faithful one see decay."

Jesus literally fulfilled that promise/prophecy. In fact, the New Testament was built on the resurrection of Jesus from the dead.

Fulfilled *I Corinthians 15:4-5*

*“For what I received, I passed on to you as of first importance; that Christ died for our sins according to the Scripture, (**Matthew 16:21, Acts 2:25, 30-32**); that He was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, (**Luke 24:34; Mark 16:14; Luke 24:36-43**), that he appeared to Cephas, and then to the twelve.”*

PROPHECY #26 *Jesus Would be Silent in His Defense*

The prophecy had been given by Isaiah as he wrote an entire chapter about the suffering, humiliation and death of the Messiah. It is **Isaiah 53:7** where he talks about this silence of the Messiah in his own defense.

Prophecy *Isaiah 53:7*

“He was oppressed and afflicted yet he did not open his mouth, he was led like a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth.”

The Suffering Servant of **Isaiah 53**, Jesus Christ, will not utter a protest and will be submissive to those who oppress Him. As a sacrificial lamb, which He was, the Lamb of God; he would be that sacrificial human lamb and behave just as a sacrificial sheep, lamb, would behave. It was fulfilled on his day of humiliation first told in **Matthew 27:14** where Matthew writes.

Fulfilled *Matthew 27:14*

“But Jesus made no reply, not even to a single charge—to the great amazement of the governor.”

We see that Jesus made no reply to Pilate who had probably never seen such behavior before. Pilate had no idea that Jesus was carrying out the will of His Father, God. We see in **I Peter** Jesus took it one step further.

Fulfilled *I Peter 2:23*

“When they hurled their insults at him, he did not retaliate; when he suffered, he made no threats. Instead, he trusted himself to him who judges justly.”

Peter tells that even through vile and abusive language was hurled at Jesus, Jesus never one stooped to behave the same way and in fact, Jesus never retaliated with any vicious words or any threats. As they handed Jesus over to Pilate, Christ handed Himself over to God and suffered in silence because of His perfect confidence in God the Father. He fulfilled the prophecy because He had the calm assurance that His Father would do right by Him and this would be a major victory over Satan for all the world have the opportunity to accept.

PROPHECY #27 Jesus Humiliation was More than Just Verbal

The humiliation was much more than just verbal. It included the strongest ways to humiliate a person in the day of Christ without killing him. (That came later.)

Isaiah prophesied that Jesus would be spat upon and have his beard pulled out.

Prophecy *Isaiah 50:6*

"I offered my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who pulled out my beard; I did not hide my face from mocking and spitting."

The prophecy speaks of three things, Jesus would endure in His humiliation:

1. Offer his back for beating without fighting back
2. Not strike at people when his whiskers were pulled out
3. He would bare the humiliation and insult of being spat upon

This excessive vile treatment did not cause Jesus to be anything but more submissive to the plan of the Father.

It was before Caiaphas that it was fulfilled. In the evening/morning of false trials more than once Jesus ended up in the court of the High Priest and the Sanhedrin and at one of these Jesus responded to the taunting of Caiaphas with an answer to the question, was Jesus the Messiah.

Fulfilled *Matthew 26:64-68*

"You have said so, 'Jesus replied, 'But I say to all of you; from now on you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Mighty One and coming on the clouds of heaven.'"
Then the high priest tore his clothes and said, 'He has spoken blasphemy! Why do we need any more witnesses? Look, now you have heard the blasphemy. 'What do you think?' 'He is worthy of death,' they answered. Then they spit n his face and struck him with their fists. Others slapped him and said, 'Prophecy to us, Messiah Who hit you?'"

The lesser members of the Sanhedrin did this to express their agreement with this devilish mistrial.

Fulfilled *Mark 15:16-20*

"The soldiers led Jesus away into the palace (that is the Praetorium) and called together the whole company of soldiers. They put a purple robe on him, then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on him. And they began to call out to him, 'Hail, king of the Jews! 'Again, and again they struck him on the head with a staff and spit on him. Falling on their knees, they paid homage to him. And when they had mocked him, they took off the purple robe and put his own clothes on him Then they led him out to crucify him."

The humiliation by the hands of the soldiers, non-Jewish inhabitants of the Holy Land that had been chosen and assigned to the military governor to maintain order; as well as the Roman soldiers who joined them; and together they mocked Jesus with an old purple cloth, probably

an old military cloak whose color looked like the purple of royalty. They added to that a thorny crown they had made to further humiliate Jesus and punish him, and serve as a way to mock him with shouts of 'Hail, King of the Jews,' and then violently attacked his head. The Scripture says that time and time again they struck him on the head—pulling and dislodging many whiskers and they constantly spat on him, and made his face unrecognizable to those who knew him.

PROPHECY #28 Physical Humiliation Continued – Jesus Slapped

Micah prophesied that he would be slapped.

Prophecy **Micah 5:1**

"Marshal your troops now, city of troops, for a siege is laid against us, they will strike Israel's ruler on the cheek with a rod."

This is a chapter that speaks clearly about the prophecy of Jesus, the next verse tells us that Jesus will be born in Bethlehem. Micah tells of a time when Jesus is not understood for whom He really was and he will be hit and slapped.

It happened many times in the trials of Jesus:

Fulfilled **Matthew 26:67** by the Sanhedrin

"Then they spit in his face and struck him with their fists. Others slapped him."

Fulfilled **Mark 15:16-20** by the Temple guard soldiers

"The soldiers led Jesus away into the palace (that is, the Praetorium) and called together the whole company of soldiers. They put a purple robe on him, then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on him. 18 And they began to call out to him, "Hail, king of the Jews!" Again and again, they struck him on the head with a staff and spit on him. Falling on their knees, they paid homage to him. And when they had mocked him, they took off the purple robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him."

PROPHECY #29 Physical Humiliation Continued – Jesus Scourged

The physical humiliation reached a zenith as He was scourged. It was a Roman scourging and had been prophesied of the true Messiah:

Prophecy **Isaiah 50:6**

"I offered my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who pulled out my beard; I did not hide my face from those who beat me."

Prophecy **Isaiah 53:5**

"But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities, the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed."

Isaiah 50:6 said His back would be laid bare and **Isaiah 53:5** tells that he was crushed for us. When Pilate handed Jesus to the Roman soldiers/military police to flog Jesus, he was handed to experts in torture. The scourging was so severe that many did not survive the Roman floggings/scourging.

This was more severe than the 39 stripes that was allowed in Jewish law. Because with the Roman scourge, bits of bone, sharpened rocks, and small pieces of metal were tied into the ends of the leather strips of the whip and they would slice and cut the skin so deeply that many backs and buttocks looked like they had had all the skin and meat fileted off and only the bones remained. The subject was tied to a waist high post with his arms extended and stretched out so the whip could strike on any part of the backside of the body. It was so lethal that if anyone struck more than 40 strokes giving the punishment, would then be given the scourging as their punishment.

Fulfilled **Matthew 27:26** at the time of His scourging

"Then he released Barabbas to them. But he had Jesus flogged, and handed him over to be crucified".

PROPHECY #30 Physical Humiliation Continued – Jesus Face Disfigured

The result of the beatings of Jesus at his trials is often pictured as a series of stripes and hits on the back, but it was much more. All that happened to Jesus in this time of humiliation was so severe that the face of Jesus was disfigured beyond recognition. It had been prophesied in

Prophecy **Isaiah 52:14**

"Just as there were many who were appalled at him—his appearance was so disfigured beyond that of any human being and his form marred beyond human likeness."

It had been fulfilled in the scourging of Jesus in:

Fulfilled **Matthew 27:26**

"Then he released Barabbas to them. But he had Jesus flogged, and handed him over to be crucified."

It was also fulfilled in the facial beating by the soldiers in:

Fulfilled **Matthew 27:30**

"They spit on him, and took the staff and struck him on the head again and again."

Isaiah had two great chapters devoted almost entirely to prophecy about the suffering Servant—Jesus the Messiah. **Isaiah 53** and **Isaiah 52**. In **Isaiah 52:14** he writes that the servant will undergo such inhumane cruelty that he, especially His face will no longer look human. His appearance is so awful that people would look at Him in astonishment, **Matthew 26:67; 27:30**; and **John 19:3**.

This was partially fulfilled in the scourging; the face was not protected as the person was stretched out to be flogged. But primarily it happened in the mocking and beating by the soldiers, who focused on beating Jesus in the face—with the staff they used to mock Him. Even the shepherd's staff could kill predators: wolves, bears, and even lions.

PROPHECY #31 Jesus Completely and Totally Humiliated

It was prophesied that Jesus would be completely and totally humiliated. It was the song of **Psalm 22:6-18** that spoke about many humiliating things that happened to Jesus and they are very specific prophecies: scorned by all, despised by the people, mocked, insulted, ridiculed, pierced hands and feet, naked and put on display, and clothes divided.

The specific prophecies that were fulfilled that day are:

Prophecy Psalm 22:6-8

"But I am a worm and not a man, scorned by everyone, despised by the people. All who see me mock me, they hurl insults, shaking their heads. 'He trusts in the Lord,' they say, 'let the Lord rescue him. Let him deliver him, since he delights in him.'"

Prophecy Psalm 22:16-18

"Dogs surround me, a pack of villains encircles me, they pierce my hands and my feet. All my bones are on display, people stare and gloat over me. They divide my clothes among them and cast lots for my garment."

Prophecy Psalm 22:24

"For he has not despised or scorned the suffering of the afflicted one, he has not hidden his face from him but has listened to his cry for help."

These specific prophecies were all fulfilled: The soldiers mocked Jesus.

Fulfilled Mark 15:17-18

"The soldiers led Jesus away into the palace (that is, the Praetorium) and called together the whole company of soldiers. They put a purple robe on him, then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on him. And they began to call out to him, 'Hail, king of the Jews!'"

The Jewish leaders ridiculed and mocked Him,

Fulfilled Luke 23:35

The people stood watching, and the rulers even sneered at him. They said, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is God's Messiah, the Chosen One."

The crowd, the Chief Priests, the teachers of the law-Pharisees, the elders of the tribes and even the thieves crucified with Him insulted Him.

Fulfilled *Matthew 27:39-44*

"Those who passed by hurled insults at him, shaking their heads and saying, 'You who are going to destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! Come down from the cross, if you are the Son of God!' In the same way the chief priests, the teachers of the law and the elders mocked him. 'He saved others," they said, "but he can't save himself! He's the king of Israel! Let him come down now from the cross, and we will believe in him. He trusts in God. Let God rescue him now if he wants him, for he said, 'I am the Son of God.' " In the same way the rebels who were crucified with him also heaped insults on him."

All four Gospels tell us that they crucified Jesus—crucifixion was accomplished by nailing the hands to the crossbar of the cross and the feet to a small peg in the long post of the cross. The most miraculous thing is that crucifixion was not even invented until after David had written the **22nd Psalm**. So, the prophecy would have been something totally outside of the range of knowledge.

PROPHECY #32 *Jesus Clothes Were Divided Among Crucifixion Team*

The clothes were divided among the crucifixion team, and the Greek word 'Divided' and the idea of lots means gambling was involved as prophesied.

Prophecy *Psalm 122:18*

"They divide my clothes among them and cast lots for my garment."

This was also fulfilled in detail in

Fulfilled *John 19:22-24*

"When the soldiers crucified Jesus, they took His clothes, dividing them into four shares, one for each of them, with the undergarment remaining. This garment was seamless, woven in one piece from top to bottom. 'Let's not tear it,' they said to one another. 'Let's decide by lot who will get it.' This happened that the scripture might be fulfilled that said, 'They divided my clothes among them and cast lots for my garment.' So, this is what the soldiers did."

Even the Scripture that God the Father heard all that Jesus said that day and yet allowed Him to die as planned was fulfilled completely. We will look more closely at that prophecy when we study the prophetic results of the death of Jesus.

CHAPTER # 4 “THE DAY JESUS DIED – FINISHED COMPLETELY”

This Lesson looks at several specific prophecies that Jesus fulfilled on the day He died. The remarkable number of prophecies that Jesus fulfilled the last few weeks of His life on this earth is beyond coincidental. We have studied many of them in three Chapters and will go over many more in this in this Chapter and the ones following. This is a powerful teaching from Jesus for all who study and revere the Bible as the Word of God. It is a convincing proof that Jesus was the Messiah and fulfilled Scripture prophecies like no one else has ever done. This is also true of the day He died. The Old Testament prophecies were very clear.

PROPHECY #33 Jesus Gives Up Life as a Sacrifice

Jesus died on a day full of ridicule towards Him, as His enemies exploited His willingness to be vulnerable and give up His life as a sacrifice. This had been prophesied in Psalm which says,

Prophecy *Psalm 22:14-15*

“I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint. My heart has turned to wax, it has melted within me. My mouth is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth; you lay me in the dust of death.”

The Chapter had begun with the prophetic words Jesus spoke from the cross, the prophecy,

Prophecy *Psalm 22:1*

“My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from saving me, so far from my cries of anguish?”

It was fulfilled in **Matthew 27:46** and **Mark 15:34**.

Fulfilled *Matthew 27:46*

“About three in the afternoon Jesus cried out in a loud voice, ‘Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?’ which means, ‘My God, My God, why have you forsaken me?’”

Now in the same Psalm, the Psalmist uses graphic images to show how exhausted the beaten and suffering Messiah would be. He uses five phrases to explain prophetically the level of exhaustion that would be a part of the death of the Messiah.

Although these could be five more prophecies of Jesus that were fulfilled, we will just list one as prophecy and fulfilled here and the others will be discussed at later times in the day of death.

1. **Psalm 22:14** starts, *“I am poured out like water.”* It is easy to see the prophecy is speaking about a non-resistive approach to the punishment that is being given. He is poured out on the ground and quickly disappears. It is as though the end of his life is just a temporal finish to a brave life. That is because it is. Jesus with His death coming

after a perfect life is allowing it to be taken from Him. He did not come to die. He came to die after living a perfect life and that has happened. He is ready to die and be resurrected to teach all that we shall also be resurrected.

2. Verse 14 continues, *"All my bones are out of joint."* Not a bone in the body of Jesus was broken and we shall look closely at that prophecy also, but His bones were rearranged by the suffering that He experienced.
3. Verse 14 continues, *"My heart has turned to wax; It has melted within me."* There is not a need to retort or even respond. Since Jesus is the Son of God, He knows and understands how all of this will end and He has already accomplished His part of being the human Passover Lamb a sacrifice for all humanity.
4. **Psalms 22:15** begins, *"My mouth is dry and my tongue sticks to the top of my mouth."* Jesus fulfilled this prophecy also as He gave a human response to what was happening to Him, *"I thirst."* We will look closely at that prophecy later in this study. The lack of fluids would have dehydrated Jesus totally; and the fact that He had experienced continual beatings that day would have only hastened the dehydration.
5. Verse 15 continues, *"You lay me in the dust of death;"* and verse 17 explains how that is true. *"All my bones are on display people stare and gloat over me."* It was fulfilled:

Luke 23:35,

"The people stood watching and the thieves even sneered at him. They said, 'He saved others; let him save himself. If he is God's Messiah, the Chosen One.'"

PROPHECY #34 All the Energy is Taken Out of Christ Jesus

Psalm 109:22-25 shows the consequences of what has happened in the last twenty-four hours of the life of the Messiah has taken all the energy out of Christ Jesus.

Prophecy Psalm 109:22-25

"For I am poor and needy, and my heart is wounded within me. I fade away like an evening shadow; I am shaken off like a locust. My knees give way from fasting; my body is thin and gaunt. I am an object of scorn to my accusers; when they see me, they shake their heads."

It was fulfilled in many ways: the exhaustion from all that Jesus has been asked to do, then highlighted by the seizing of Simon out of the crowd who was then forced to carry the cross of Christ.

Fulfilled Luke 23:26

"As the soldiers led him away, they seized Simon from Cyrene, who was on his way in from the country, and put the cross on him and made him carry it behind Jesus."

The cross was made up of two parts; a cross beam and a long centering post; both parts together could weigh as much as 200 pounds and the crossbeam was to be carried by the indicted to the place of crucifixion, with a placard around the convict's neck, telling the death charge against the prisoner.

Jesus was human and so was just as weak as we would have been excepting in the area of sin. He never sinned in his entire life.

Fulfilled *Hebrews 4:15*

"For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are, yet he did not sin."

It is not bad that Jesus was showing signs of physical and emotional tiredness. His body was not that of a super-power but that of a man. The Scripture does point out that a man of color was chosen to help Jesus take his cross to the place of crucifixion. Simon was a Libyan, an African of Arab and African descent. Jesus had had a sleepless night, had been severely wounded and weakened and could not carry His cross beam the rest of the way. The Romans chose Simon to carry it for him.

***Mark 15:21* tells us that:**

"A certain man from Cyrene, Simon the father of Alexander and Rufus, was passing by on his way in from the country, and they forced him to carry the cross."

Paul, later in writing the Book of Romans tells us that, Simon was the father of Alexander and Rufus, two workers in the Christian Church in Rome.

Romans 16:13.

"Greet Rufus, chosen in the Lord, and his mother, who has been a mother to me, too."

PROPHECY #35 Jesus Was Ridiculed, Wounded & Pierced

Jesus was ridiculed for and by being crucified. The prophecies that said that would happen are:

Prophecy *Psalms 22:16*

"Dogs surround me, a pack of villains encircles me; they pierce my hands and my feet."

Prophecy *Zechariah 13:7*

"Awake, awake, against my shepherd, against the man who is close to me! Declares the Lord Almighty. Strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered, and I will turn my hand against the little ones."

I wish to expand on 'death by crucifixion' from the last session. The first time we see this prophecy it is written by David and tells of a time when the hands and feet of the person would be pierced. This prophecy was written by David, 1,000 years before Jesus was born and 700 years before the Romans refined crucifixion as a method they would use for execution. It was

the Roman way to execute slaves and foreigners. Because it had so much pain, it was illegal to execute a Roman citizen by crucifixion.

Hands were nailed in a circle bone below the wrists-so the prisoner could not pull them out and be free. Often one nail was placed in a similar circle at the crossed ankles of the prisoner. The nailing of the feet was to hold the body close to the cross.

Zechariah contrasts the self-inflicted wound of a false prophet.

Prophecy *Zechariah 13:6-7*

"If someone asks, 'What are these wounds on your body?' they will answer, 'The wounds I was given at the house of my friends.' 'Awake, sword, against my shepherd, against the man who is close to me!' declares the LORD Almighty. 'Strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered, and I will turn my hand against the little ones.'"

These are contrasted with the true wounds of crucifixion that the Messiah would receive, ***Zechariah 13:7*** where the Messiah would be cut off or killed and all of His followers would be left afloat.

This was fulfilled in many Scriptures: ***Matthew 27:38; Mark 15:27; Luke 23:33***, and ***John 19:18***.

Fulfilled *Luke 23:33* says

"When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him there, along with the criminals—one on his right and other on his left."

The Gospel writers add two more thoughts, the place Jesus was executed was at the city garbage dump called *"The Place of the Skull"* and it was the place where all the Roman executions took place. None of the Gospel writers gave a detailed description of the actual crucifixion process and none of them stress the pain Jesus suffered but they all four state that Jesus was crucified in the center of two thieves, the Bible calls them robbers, we would say terrorists, insurgents, or rebels today. The ridicule was heightened by Jesus being crucified with vicious thieves, the worst of the worst of His day.

PROPHECY #36 Jesus Was Crucified with Sinners

He was ridiculed by being crucified with sinners and the evil people of His time, as though He was one of them. The prophecy was in:

Prophecy *Isaiah 53:12*

"Therefore, I will give him a portion among the great, and he will divide the spoils with the strong, because he poured out his life unto death, and was numbered among the sinners (transgressors). For he bore the sin of many and made intercession for the transgressors."

It was fulfilled in many verses: ***Matthew 27:38; Mark 15:2***, and ***John 19:17***. Luke offers the most detailed explanation.

Fulfilled *Luke 23:32-33*

“Two other men, both criminals, were also led out with him to be executed. When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him there, along with the criminals, one on his right, the other on his left.”

The prophecy speaks first of the reward Jesus will receive for His faithful work-where He would enjoy the results of His spiritual victories during the Millennial reign. Why, because in life and even in death Jesus was willing to assume a role of identifying with sinful humans. He would be numbered with sinners/convicts/transgressors. He was there because He took the sins of many as a High Priest, beginning at the cross.

Luke 23:34

“Jesus said, “Father forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing,”

And now offers, the removal of sins while residing in heaven.

Hebrews 7:25,

“Therefore, he is able to save completely those who come to God through him, because he always lives to intercede for them.”

Again in:

Hebrews 9:24

“For Christ did not enter a sanctuary made with human hands that was only a copy of the true one; he entered heaven itself, now to appear for us in God’s presence.”

It was very important to the Gospel writers to show Jesus died with convicts. Mark calls these criminals ‘rebels (insurrectionists) and they could easily have been involved with Barabbas in the uprising.

Mark 15:7

“A man called Barabbas was in prison with the insurrectionists who had committed murder in the uprising.”

Robbery was not a capital offense in the Roman Law and no one was sentenced to death for robbery in the Roman Kingdom. Luke says this fulfilled the prophecy of:

Isaiah 53:12

“Because he poured out his life unto death, and was numbered with the transgressors. “

Which was fulfilled in the passage in:

Luke 27:37 which reads,

“It is written: ‘And he was numbered with the transgressors, and I tell you that this must be fulfilled in me. Yes, what is written about me is reaching its fulfillment.”

Why was Jesus included in the common criminals when he was crucified? Pilate probably intended to further insult Jesus and the Jews by the inclusion of “*their King*” with common

criminals but God used it to fulfill prophecy and show that the Gospel of Jesus would be open to all people where it could be openly and truthfully taught.

PROPHECY #37 Jesus the Target of Scorn & Ridicule

He was the target of scorn and ridicule. The prophecies had been plain:

Prophecy *Psalms 22:6-8*

"But I am a worm, and not a man, scorned by everyone, despised by the people. All who see me mock me, they hurl insults, shaking their heads. 'He trusts in the Lord,' they say, 'let the Lord rescue him. Let him deliver him since he delights in him.'"

Prophecy *Psalms 69:20*

"Scorn has broken my heart and has left me helpless; I looked for sympathy, but there was none, for comforters, but I found none."

And again, in

Prophecy *Psalms 109:25*

"I am an object of scorn to my accusers; when they see me, they shake their heads."

And each one was fulfilled. Reproach and ridicule by most of the people was the prophecy for Jesus at his death. It was prophesied that Jesus would have no sympathy from the people and he did not. Even the women who followed Him stood way off while the crowds were present.

Fulfilled *Luke 23:49*

"But all those who knew him, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things."

It was fulfilled completely and Matthew tells by whom. The Scripture reads.

Fulfilled *Matthew 27:39-44*

"Those who passed by hurled insults at him, shaking their heads and saying, 'You who are going to destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! Come down from the cross, if you are the Son of God!' In the same way the chief priests, the teachers of the law and the elders mocked him. 'He saved others,' they said, 'but He can't save Himself! If He's the king of Israel. Let him come down from the cross, and we will believe in him. He trusts in God. Let God rescue Him now if he wants Him, for he said, 'I am the Son of God; In the same way the rebels who were crucified with him also heaped insults on him.'"

See also, **Luke 23:35-36, 39.**

Matthew tells us that three groups were primarily responsible for the scorn and ridicule of Jesus at His death.

1. Those who passed by: townspeople; the thousands of pilgrims in town for the Passover Feast; and the people on the road who diverted to watch the executions and the Romans.
2. The Chief Priests, Pharisees, and the leaders of the Synagogues.
3. The rebels who were also being crucified, the Bible says they *“heaped insults”* think non-stop ridicule and sarcasm. There must have been a pause because when one rebel started to trash talk again.

Luke 23:39-42

“One of the criminals who hung their hurled insults at him. ‘Aren’t you the Messiah? Save yourself and us!’ But the other criminal rebuked him, ‘Don’t you fear God,’ he said, since you are under the same sentence? We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve. But this man has done nothing wrong.’ Then he said, ‘Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.’ Jesus answered him, ‘Truly, I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise.’”

One rebel had refused to trash talk Jesus anymore and declared Him innocent and asked for Christ to care for his spirit in the afterlife. Jesus responded to this dying rebel-He would be saved (by grace) and cared for eternally.

PROPHECY #38 Jesus Would Thirst at Death

It was prophesied that Jesus would thirst at death. The prophecy was in Psalms.

Prophecy Psalm 22:15

“My mouth is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth, you lay me in the dust of death.”

Again, it is found in **Psalm 69:3-4**

Prophecy *“I am worn out calling for help; my throat is parched. My eyes fail, looking for my God.”*

It was fulfilled in:

Fulfilled John 19:28

“Later, knowing that everything had now been finished, and so that Scripture would be fulfilled, “Jesus said, ‘I thirst.’ A jar of wine vinegar was there, so they soaked a sponge in it, put the sponge on a stalk of the hyssop plant, and lifted it to Jesus’ lips. When he had received the drink. Jesus said, “it is finished.’ With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.”

This prophecy was to show how much suffering Jesus would experience at death, so the thirst here is not the natural response of a person but exaggerated, intense, suffering thirst. The

mouth is as dry as clay dust; the tongue stuck to the roof of the mouth from a lack of natural moisture; and a focus on dust.

When Jesus accomplished all the tasks He was to do on the cross: **John 19:28**, right after he had assigned His Mother's care to John, and had cried out to God; He announced that He was thirsty.

It is true that Jesus reveals His humanity in this statement, but I think it could also be a reference to the cup, 'God had given Him to drink.

John 18:11

"Jesus commanded Peter, 'Put your sword away! Shall I not drink the cup the Father has given to me?'"

Drink it all—every drop and in that low moment of suffering, drinking the entire cup would cause the joyful praise we see Jesus soon say, 'It is finished', and allows Himself to die."

PROPHECY #39 Jesus Offered Gall & Cheap Vinegar Wine for Thirst

On a day focused on ridicule what seems like a kind act is really one more final act of ridicule. The prophecy was in.

Prophecy Psalm 69:21

"They put gall in my food and gave me vinegar for my thirst."

This prophecy was full of irony. When the one suffering would desire comfort and assurance, he was instead offered gall, a poisonous herb/narcotic as food and cheap vinegar wine for thirst. The very drink Jesus was offered on the cross, gall mixed into wine vinegar.

When Matthew tells of the fulfillment of this prophecy, he also adds additional thoughts to point out how it is one more act of ridicule.

Fulfilled Matthew 27:47-48

"When some of those standing there heard this, they said, 'He's calling Elijah.' Immediately one of them ran and got a sponge. He filled it with wine vinegar, put it on a staff, and offered it to Jesus to drink."

The ridicule continued to the end, turning the statement of Jesus into a circus sideshow. **Mark 15:35-36** spells it out clearly, it was one last act of ridicule and miracle hunting. Mark wrote,

Fulfilled Mark 15:35-36

"When some of those standing near heard this, they said, 'Listen, he's calling Elijah.' Someone ran, filled a sponge with wine vinegar, put it on a staff, and offered it to Jesus to drink. 'Now leave him alone. Let's see if Elijah comes to take him down.'"

It was a day of complete ridicule that Jesus endured for us.

Once again fulfilled completely by Jesus, the Best Ever at keeping and fulfilling prophecies.

CHAPTER #5 “JESUS PROPHECIED TO DIE ALONE AND HE DID”

This Chapter includes more prophecies that Jesus fulfilled in the last few weeks of His life living on the earth. We will see that His fulfillment of prophecies was amazing and unparalleled to any other person in any other situation. We have seen how the end of the Jesus earthly life physically, and the start of His eternal life on earth has already fulfilled 39 prophecies.

PROPHECY #40 Jesus Died Alone at the Crucifixion

Jesus died alone, His friends and followers stood far away from Him and observed from a great distance. The prophet wrote in Psalms.

Prophecy *Psalm 38:11*

“My friends and companions avoid me because of my wounds; my neighbors stay far away.”

This prophecy spoke first of an event in the life of David and we do not know that event; but the prophecy was completely fulfilled in the crucifixion death of Jesus Christ. Not a friend stayed near “Christ” when He was first crucified. It was then that He was the ultimate example of a person not responding to the taunts and torture He was experiencing. As we saw, Isaiah said that would happen.

Isaiah 53:7

“He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth, he was led like a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth.”

The prophecy was fulfilled in the Gospels of **Luke 23:49**, **Mathew 27:55-56** and **Mark 15:47**. Matthew offers the longest discussion about this deserting of Jesus:

Fulfilled *Mathew 27:55-56*

“Many women were there watching from a distance. They had followed Jesus from Galilee to care for his needs. Among them were Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and the mother of Zebedee’s sons.”

In fact, all three Gospels tell of this incident as a side note and not as a main part of the death of the Messiah, Jesus. Only Mark gives a fact pertinent to the rest of the story when he writes that two of the women followed from a distance and found out where they took the body of Jesus to bury it.

The crowds were unruly and taunting Jesus at first and only after it got later, dark, and hot did they disperse and at that time Mary, the Mother of Jesus, His disciple John and others must have gathered around the cross and Jesus gave the care of His Mother, Mary to John and the

care of John to His mother Mary. Then all three Gospels tell us they moved back away from the cross, perhaps unable to watch Jesus suffer at such a close range. They were quite a distance from the cross when Jesus died. He died without any earthly friends with Him.

PROPHECY #41 People Taunted and Stared at Jesus on the Cross

Jesus died alone, because people only taunted and stared at Him in derision and disdain. It had been prophesied in Psalm.

Prophecy *Psalm 22:17*

"All my bones are on display; people stare and gloat over me."

The prophecy spoke of the kind of staring no one wants—gawking and gloating. It is a stare of superiority and haughtiness over a defeated person. It was fulfilled in Luke.

Fulfilled *Luke 23:35*

"The people stood watching and the leaders even sneered at him. They said, 'He saved others; let him save himself, if he is God's Messiah, the Chosen One.'"

The verbal taunts and attacks on Jesus were not the only ways the people distanced themselves from Jesus. They also stared, sneered, and as we have often heard 'stared down their nose at Him'. Almost everyone felt superior to Jesus on that day. He spoke seven times from the cross and only had one known verbal response, the dying terrorist spoke to Him. We can speculate that John and perhaps even His mother Mary spoke back to Jesus when He asked John to care for His mother in **John 19** but the Bible does not state any of that reciprocal conversation.

PROPHECY #42 Jesus Clothes Divided

Jesus died naked and alone because His clothes were divided and His tunic was taken by gambling.

Prophecy *Psalms 22:18*

"They divide my clothes among them, and cast lots for my garment."

We have looked at this prophecy and how it was fulfilled.

Fulfilled *John 19:23*

"When the soldiers crucified Jesus, they took his clothes, dividing them into four shares, one for each of them, with the undergarment remaining. This garment was seamless, woven in one piece from top to bottom."

I want to add some additional thoughts about this prophecy and its fulfillment. It parallels the suffering of Christ at the crucifixion and all four gospel writers appeal to at least one part of the verse from **Psalm 22**. **Matthew 27:35** and **Mark 15:24** combine the two parts and say they

divided the garments and cast lots; **Luke 23:34** also says they divided his clothes by casting lots; but **John 19:23-24** outlines all the details as John was an eyewitness to this event.

Now comes the spectacular part of this prophecy. Roman executioners were allowed to keep the garments of the person being slain. The division of the clothes leads us to believe this execution squad was four men, **Acts 12:4**. The tunic, here called an undergarment was worn next to the skin. The other garments would have included the outer garment, belt, sandals, and head covering. The tunic of Jesus was seamless so they decided to gamble for it and not ruin it by dividing it into four parts.

David had written this prophecy of dividing the clothes of the executed in **Psalms 22** even though the only division of the clothes of the one killed in his time was when the executioner would divide the clothes to show the depth of trouble for the accused. But Jewish executioners never kept any of the victim's clothes and either destroyed them or donated them to foreigners. Once again, just as he did in the form of execution, David precisely describes a division of clothes that he had never witnessed in his country or any other.

PROPHECY #43 A Non-Eclipse Darkness Occurred During the Day

Jesus died alone because of a non-eclipse darkness that happened during the day. Amos had prophesied that this special darkness would happen.

Prophecy **Amos 8:9**

"In that day, declares the Sovereign Lord, I will make the sun go down at noon and darken the earth in broad daylight."

Matthew says how it was fulfilled.

Fulfilled **Matthew 27:45**

"From noon until three in the afternoon darkness came over all the land."

In the days of the vision of Amos the darkness that covered the earth was most likely an eclipse, a natural phenomenon, but in the day of the death of Jesus the darkness was caused by the hand of God. A time line for the day shows:

Jesus was sentenced to death at the 1st hour, Jewish time—Roman time 6:00 am.

Jesus was crucified at the 3rd hour, Jewish time—Roman time 9:00 am.

Mark 15:25-26

"It was nine in the morning when they crucified him. The written notice of the charge against him read: THE KING OF THE JEWS."

Darkness covered the site from the 6th-9th hour, Jewish time or 12:00 noon -3:00 pm Roman time. This could not have been caused by an eclipse, because the Jews used a lunar calendar

and Passover always fell on the full moon, making a solar eclipse impossible. This was the supernatural darkness that Amos had prophesied would happen.

Fulfilled *Luke 23:44-45*

"It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, for the sun stopped shining. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two."

One more prophecy about the death of Jesus that had been fulfilled.

PROPHECY #44 Jesus Was Separated from God the Father

Jesus died at the 9th hour Jewish time or 3:00 pm Roman time.

The early Church writers hint that the darkness extended beyond Palestine. We have no reason to believe that God the Father was separating Himself from God the Son just because of the darkness. Darkness was an Old Testament sign of divine judgment repeatedly used in the Old Testament and also in the Gospel of Matthew. The separation between the Father and the Son will occur when Jesus drinks the entire cup of fury, or sin, and the response that God the Father has to sin. It was probably at this time of darkness that the thrill wore off for the crowd and fear of this supernatural darkness caused them to disperse. The women and John must have moved near the cross for a while at that time.

Jesus died alone because for the very first and only time ever he was separated from God the Father. It had been a prophesy of the Old Testament.

Prophecy *Psalms 22:1*

"My God, my God, why have you forsaken me! Why are so far from saving me, so far from the cries of my anguish?"

It had been fulfilled by Jesus on the cross when He spoke the very same words, not in Hebrew but in the everyday language of the day, Aramaic. He spoke.

Fulfilled *Matthew 27:26*

"About three in the afternoon Jesus cried out with a loud voice, 'Eli, Eli, lema sabachtani' (which means, 'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?')"

The Twenty-second Psalm is the most frequently quoted Old Testament source for passages in the New Testament, and it begins with the forlorn cry that Jesus will also give from the cross. The repeated direct address to God reflects some hope in a hopeless situation. Forsaken is a strong expression of personal abandonment, supremely experienced by Jesus on the cross.

Somehow the thirst of Christ and the veiled reference of taking the full cup and drinking it while in the Garden of Gethsemane with His disciples; the wine vinegar and gall offered to him when he said, "I thirst", all refer to the same event. It was about 3:00 pm or the 9th Hour and it is the time that Jesus dies. It clearly shows that Jesus was experiencing the abandonment and despair that comes with the outpouring of divine wrath on Him as the sin-bearer.

The taking of *“all these sins did not kill Jesus”*, His perfection had prepared Him to be the perfect sacrifice for all sins. He had handled the taking of all the sins of those who would accept Him and was still victorious; but the separation from the Father seemed unbearable. Jesus takes the cup, shouts. *“It is finished,”* and Luke records another loud shout of Jesus, *“Father, into your hands I commit my spirit.”* And then all four Gospels tell us after this shout, he bowed his head and gave up His spirit. He had fulfilled yet another Old Testament prophecy,

Psalms 31:5

“Into your hands I commit my spirit, deliver me, Lord, my faithful God.”

Alone at death but in the arms of the Father as soon as He dies.

PROPHECY #45 Jesus Prayed for the Forgiveness of Others

Jesus died alone because He seems to be the only one praying for the forgiveness of others. It was prophesied in Psalms.

Prophecy *Psalm 109:4-5*

“In return for my friendship they accuse me, but I am a man of prayer. They repay me evil for good, and hatred for my friendship.”

It was also prophesied in Isaiah.

Prophecy *Isaiah 53:12*

“Therefore, I will give him a portion among the great, and he will divide the spoils with the strong, because he poured out his life unto death, and was numbered with the transgressors. For he bore the sin of many and made intercession for transgressors.”

It was fulfilled in Luke.

Fulfilled *Luke 23:34*

“Jesus said, ‘Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.’ And they divided up his clothes by casting lots.”

The 109th Psalm has been considered a Messianic Psalm because ***Acts 1:20***, spoke about the need for a replacement of Judas as a Disciple, and the need to have 12 disciples.

Psalm 109:8

“May his days be few; may another take his place of leadership.”

In ***Psalm 109:4***, is a reference to God, really the prophesied Messiah is much more than an incident in the life of David, it was Jesus who had interceded and granted Him the answer to his prayers; and ***Isaiah 53:12*** tells us that Jesus began His interceding High Priestly role on the cross even as he is taking the cup of sin and drinking all of it. It was fulfilled in Luke when Jesus prays for His tormentors-both Jews and Romans. Some of the fruit of this prayer would be the salvation of thousands of people in Jerusalem over Pentecost, just 50 days later in ***Acts 2:4***

when 3,000 were baptized in one day. Jesus prayed for them because they did not know the full scope of their wickedness. They were blind to the fact that He was the Messiah.

1 Corinthians 2:9

“None of the rulers of this age understood it, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.”

PROPHECY #46 Jesus Proclaims ‘It is Finished’

Christ’s prayer for them while they mocked Him is a grand expression of the great compassion of Jesus and the divine grace of God. Jesus died alone because He alone could have done what needed to be done, take away sin’s penalties. It was prophesied in Psalm.

Prophecy *Psalm 22:31*

“They will proclaim His righteousness, declaring to a people yet unborn; He has done it!”

It was fulfilled in John.

Fulfilled *John 19:30*,

“When he had received the drink, Jesus said, ‘It is finished.’ With that he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.”

The end of the great messianic ***Psalm 22*** is verse 31 where the Psalmist declares that future generations will be told of this person, His righteousness will be declared for ages and ages because, ‘*He has done it.*’ The original Hebrew word would be more commonly translated, ‘*He has finished it.*’ This was fulfilled when Jesus declared that very phrase at His death.

John 19:30 shows Jesus in action fulfilling the prophecy by declaring, “*It is finished.*” A verb that says one has fulfilled their task, met their religious obligation, and redemption was now in place. This word was often used in New Testament times to stand for: “*paid in full*” – as with taxes and other bills. Jesus did alone what no one else could do. He bridged the gap between the law and heaven and put redemption in the life of everyone who would believe. It was a day of loneliness for Jesus and He died alone. But it ushered in the next part of the life of Jesus—as the Messiah. He was dead but He was not defeated.

CHAPTER # 6 “JESUS DIED BUT WAS NOT DEFEATED” - PART I

Jesus was in charge of His life and His sacrificial death. Death was not a defeat for Christ but instead it was a great victory. It fulfilled many prophecies, and this session will also show that Jesus fulfilled all the symbolism of the Passover.

PROPHECY #47 Jesus Would Give Up His Spirit Voluntarily

It was prophesied that Jesus would give up His spirit voluntarily.

Prophecy *Psalm 31:5*

“Into your hands I commit my spirit; deliver me, LORD, my faithful God.”

Psalm 31 is a Psalm of prophecy, and it is a Psalm where the song gravitated between anguish and assurance. It has two settings and the psalmist’s testimonies celebrate enthusiastically the sufficiency of God. David trusts in the Lord and commits himself to God but the Psalm is fully realized when Jesus willingly gives up His life and commits His Spirit to God the Father. It fleshes out the power and control that God the Father has.

It was fulfilled when Jesus quoted **Psalm 31:5**, **Luke 23:46** and **Matthew 27:50** say Jesus gave up His spirit; John also says Jesus gave up His spirit and Luke tells us after this statement, He breathed His last. All three tell us this was an act of Christ. No one killed Christ—He gave His life. It was a sacrifice not an execution.

Fulfilled *Luke 23:46*

“Jesus called out with a loud voice, ‘Father, into your hands I commit my spirit.’ When he had said this, he breathed his last.”

Fulfilled *Matthew 27:50*

“And when Jesus had cried out again in a loud voice, he gave up his spirit.”

Jesus had told His followers in His teaching about the good Shepherd, that although He had agreed to lay down His life, be the complete sacrifice, God had given Him the power to both lay down His life and take it back up again.

Fulfilled *John 10:17-18*

“The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life—only to take it up again. 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”

Normally victims of crucifixion died much slower deaths, but Jesus being in control simply yielded up His soul, **John 10:18**. Jesus told how it would happen.

John 19:30

“When he had received the drink, Jesus said, ‘It is finished.’ With that he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.”

Jesus offered Himself without spot to God.

Hebrews 9:14

“How much more, then, will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit, offered himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from acts that lead to death.”

It is important for us to see the prophetic ties of the Feast Days ordered by God and the Prophetic fulfillment of each of the seven. They have already been fulfilled, or it will be fulfilled in the prophetic future. They each foreshadowed something God had planned for His people.

The First three Feast Days all happened in the spring of each year, and they were all fulfilled through Christ and His Church.

Feast #1 - Passover

The Passover was celebrated in the spring by the slaying and eating of a lamb, together with bitter herbs and bread made without yeast in every household. It was to remember how the Lord brought the Israelites out of Egypt in haste to deliver them from slavery/bondage.

We first need to see just how superior the sacrifice of the Paschal Lamb of God (Jesus the Messiah) was to the regular Passover lambs. (The yearling lamb/goat killed and cooked for the meal.) (Reread **Hebrews 9:14**) Ways in which the sacrifice was superior to the sacrifice of the Passover lambs.

Jesus Offered Himself:

- Jesus took His disciples to the Garden of Gethsemane when He knew Judas Iscariot would lead soldiers to arrest Him.
- Jesus was arrested without putting up a fight.
- Jesus did not offer any verbal or physical defense through His arrest, trials and crucifixion.
- Jesus prayed for those who hurt Him.
- Jesus was counted as a criminal and allowed Himself to die in between two criminals.
- Jesus gave up His life—it was not taken from Him.

Physical lambs completely different: The actions of Jesus were a total contrast to the animals of the Levitical sacrifice who were brought in involuntarily and without understanding of their deaths. Christ came by His own choice with a full understanding of the necessity and the consequences of His sacrifice. His sacrifice was not just His blood, but His entire human being was offered without spot or defect.

PROPHECY #48 Jesus, No Bone Was Broken at the Crucifixion

Jesus fulfilled prophecy about the Passover in another way, He was dead but not defeated because no bone was broken in His body. It had been prophesied in:

Prophecy *Psalm 34:20*

"He protects all of his bones, not one of them will be broken."

It was fulfilled in:

Fulfilled *John 19:32-33*

"The soldiers therefore came and broke the legs of the first man who had been crucified with Jesus, and then those of the other. But when they came to Jesus and found that he was already dead, they did not break his legs."

This prophecy makes more sense when we go back to

Prophecy *Exodus 12:46-47*

"It (the meal) must be eaten inside the house: take none of the meat outside the house. Do not break any of the bones. The whole community of Israel must celebrate it."

The same thought is found in **Numbers**, which says,

Prophecy *Numbers 9:12*

"They must not leave any of it till morning or break any of its bones. When they celebrated the Passover, they must follow all the regulations."

The Psalm is a Psalm of rejoicing for the protection of the Lord God Almighty and He miraculously preserves the legs of Jesus from being broken and the Divine Paschal Lamb is sacrificed just like the Passover lamb without any bones broken.

Because of Jewish teaching that anyone being impaled on a pole is not to remain there overnight, they were under a curse from God and to leave someone hanging would desecrate the land.

Deuteronomy 21:22-23

"If someone guilty of a capital offense is put to death and their body is exposed on a pole, you must not leave the body hanging on the pole overnight! Be sure to bury it that same day, because anyone who is hung on a pole is under God's curse. You must not desecrate the land the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance."

So, it became all right in Israel to break the legs of people impaled, especially if they would still be there on a holy day such as the Sabbath. The two insurgents had their legs broken but since Jesus had already died there was no reason to break his legs and John an eyewitness of these events, confirms that they did not break the legs of Jesus. Jesus was that Passover Lamb that takes away the sins of the world and totally fulfills what was also expected in the behavior of the animal, the Passover Lamb.

Feast #2 - First Fruits

The second feast commanded by God was First Fruits Festival. This Festival was celebrated in the Spring, consisting of presenting a sheaf of the first of the barley harvest as a wave offering, making a burnt offering and a grain offering and it was to recognize the Lord's bounty in their land.

PROPHECY #49 Jesus Became First Fruits for All Who Have Died

Prophecy Exodus 34:22 NASB20

"And you shall celebrate the Feast of Weeks, [that is,] the first fruits of the wheat harvest, and the Feast of Ingathering at the turn of the year.

It was fulfilled by Jesus Christ on the Passover Week that He died when he became the first fruits of all those who have died. He rose from the dead and they will also, He just was the first to rise to eternal life from the dead, so, He was called the first fruits. The Scriptures says:

Fulfilled I Corinthians 15:20-23

"But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. But each in turn: Christ, the first fruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him."

Feast #3 - Feast of Weeks

The third feast commanded by God was the Feast of Weeks Festival, also celebrated in the Spring. It occurred 50 days after the Feast of Passover. It was also called the Feast of Harvest. It was a festival of joy, mandatory and voluntary offerings, and that includes the First Fruits of the wheat harvest. It was to show joy and thankfulness for the Lord's blessing of harvest.

PROPHECY #50 Joy & Thankfulness for the Lord's Blessing of the Harvest.

Prophecy Deuteronomy 16:15

For seven days celebrate the festival to the LORD your God at the place the LORD will choose. For the LORD your God will bless you in all your harvest and in all the work of your hands, and your joy will be complete.

It was fulfilled by the Church of Jesus Christ on the day of Pentecost when Peter and the Apostles, filled with the Holy Spirit preached salvation through Jesus Christ and 3,000 were baptized on that day. The Scripture is very precise that this day changed Pentecost forever.

Fulfilled Acts 2:1-4

"When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from the heavens and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them."

The three spring feasts commanded by God and observed by His people once they were in the Promised Land were all fulfilled by Jesus and His Church. They are still observed more in the original form today by most Jewish believers. They have been modified many times because of a lack of the control of Jerusalem, not having a nation of Israel, no Temple for offerings and sacrifices, and other reasons.

The final four Feast Days commanded by God for the Israelites are all celebrated in the fall, and they will all be fulfilled when Jesus comes a second time to this earth. We do not know completely how they will be fulfilled. They are:

Feast #4 - Feast of Trumpets

Feast of Trumpets-later known as Rosh Hashanah or New Year's Day and it is an assembly on a day of rest commemorated with trumpet blasts and sacrifices and it is to present Israel before the Lord for His favor.

Feast #5 – Day of Atonement

Day of Atonement or Yom Kippur is a day of rest, fasting, and sacrifices of atonement for priests and people and atonement for the tabernacle and altar. It is to atone for the sins of priests, the people, and purification of the Holy Place.

Feast #6 - Feast of Tabernacles

Feast of Tabernacles or Booths or ingathering and it is a week of celebration for the harvest; living in booths (temporary shelters) and offering sacrifices. It is to memorialize the journey from Egypt to Canaan and give thanks for the productivity of Canaan.

Feast #7 - Feast of Sacred Assembly

Feast of Sacred Assembly and it is a day of convocation, resting, and offering sacrifices. It commemorates the closing of the cycle of festivals.

JESUS FULFILLED THE PASSOVER & BECAME THE PASSOVER LAMB

Let's take a longer look at Passover and the Prophecy of Jesus and how He would fulfill that feast day. It is no mere coincidence that Jesus (Yeshua) died during the Jewish Passover observance.

Matthew 26:1-2

"When Jesus had finished saying all these things, he said to his disciples, 'As you know, the Passover is two days away-and the Son of Man will be handed over to be crucified.'"

God planned it that way, because His Son fulfilled the reason, the over-all plan, and the symbolism of the Passover Feast. Paul said:

I Corinthians 5:7-8

"Get rid of the old yeast, so that you may be a new unleavened batch—as you really are." (Speaking about the need for the Corinthian Church to discipline a misbehaving member.) . . . "For Christ, our Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed. Therefore, let us keep the festival, not with the old bread leavened with malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth."

PROPHECY #51 Jesus was Flawless

Prophecy Exodus 12:5

"The animals you chose must be year old males without defect, and you may take them from the sheep or the goats."

The sacrificial lamb was described in detail in **Exodus 12**. One key trait 'it had to be flawless'. Jesus was declared flawless as Pilot examined Him and morally flawless as describe in **Hebrews 4:15**.

Fulfilled John 18:38 - Legally

"'What is truth?' retorted Pilate. With this he went out again to the Jews gathered there and said, 'I find no basis for a charge against Him.'"

Fulfilled Hebrews 4:15 Without Sin—Morally Without Defect

"For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are---yet he did not sin."

PROPHECY #52 Jesus Had to Die

Prophecy Exodus 12:21

"Then Moses summoned all the elders of Israel and said to them. 'Go at once and select the animals for your families and slaughter the Passover lamb.'"

Fulfilled Revelation 5:6, 9-10

"Then I saw a Lamb, looking as if it had been slain, standing in the center of the throne, encircled by the four living creatures and the elders. The Lamb had seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth." . . . "And they (the elders) sang a new song, saying: 'You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased for God persons from every tribe and language and people and nation. You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God, and they will reign on the earth.'"

PROPHECY #53 Jesus Did Not Resist

Prophecy Isaiah 53:7

"He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; he was led like a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth."

Jesus behaved as a lamb would behave before those who will kill it, He did not resist.

Fulfilled Matthew 27:30-31

"They spit on him, and took the staff and struck him on the head again and again. After they had mocked him, they took off the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him."

PROPHECY #54 Jesus Was a Passover Substitute

Prophecy *Exodus 12:3*

"Tell the whole community of Israel that on the tenth day of this month each man is to take a lamb for his family, one for each household."

Fulfilled *John 1:29*

"The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, 'Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!'"

PROPHECY #55 Jesus Shed Blood, The Power to Save

Prophecy *Exodus 12:22-23*

"Take a bunch of hyssops, dip it in the basin of blood from the lamb and put some of the blood on the top and on both sides of the doorframe. None of you shall go out of the door of your house until morning. When the Lord goes through the land to strike down the Egyptians, he will see the blood on the top and sides of the doorframe and will pass over that doorway and he will not permit the destroyer to enter your houses and strike you down."

Fulfilled *1 Peter 1:18-19*

"For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold or that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors. But with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect."

PROPHECY #56 Jesus Saves Those Who Trust Him

Prophecy *Isaiah 8:17*

"I will wait for the LORD, who is hiding his face from the descendants of Jacob. I will put my trust in him."

He saves those who trust Him and apply His blood—symbolically and by faith, to the doorframes of their heart.

Fulfilled *Hebrews 2:13* by Christ

And again, "I will put my trust in him." And again, he says, "Here am I, and the children God has given me."

However, the comparison of the Passover Lamb and Jesus does not stop at the first coming of Jesus. It is also found in many Second Coming contexts. In the Book of Revelation, the returning Jesus is often just called 'The Lamb' (23 times). This victorious Lamb metaphor anticipates the Messiah's triumphant Second Coming while also reminding us of His role as the suffering Savior who was mocked and ridiculed while going willingly to His death.

PROPHECY #57 Jesus Was Pierced Only After His Death

Jesus was dead but not defeated because He was pierced only after His death. It had been prophesied in Zechariah.

Prophecy *Zechariah 12:10*

“And I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit of grace and supplication. They will look on me, the one they have pierced, and they will mourn for him as one mourns for an only child, and grieve bitterly for him as one grieves for a first-born son.”

Fulfilled *John 19:34, 36-37*

“Instead, one of the soldiers pierced Jesus’ side with a spear, bringing a sudden flow of blood and water.”

Later in this same section John ties two prophecies together to remind everyone that Jesus had fulfilled both of them.

Fulfilled *John 19:36-37*

“These things happened so that the scripture would be fulfilled, ‘Not one of his bones will be broken,’ and as another scripture says, ‘They will look on the one they have pierced.’”

Zechariah tells of a time when Israel will look to Jesus, the one they crucified and rejected; but that time will not come until the times of tribulation—small groups of Jews converted at the death of Christ and at the birth of the Church. They stare at the one they pierced but they have no understanding of what they have done. God said in ***Zechariah 12:10*** *‘They have pierced (me),’* and affirms once more that Jesus is God.

The soldier who pierced the side of Jesus, ***John 19:34*** made a significant penetration. It results in a sudden flow of blood and water. The spear probably pierced the pericardial sack around the heart, I feel that is true and the next prophecy will weigh evidence to support that conclusion. But it also could have been the chest cavity at the bottom of the chest. Either way the out flow of ‘blood and water’ emphasized that Jesus was unquestionably dead.

John 19:34

Instead, one of the soldiers pierced Jesus’ side with a spear, bringing a sudden flow of blood and water.

CHAPTER # 7 “JESUS DIED BUT WAS NOT DEFEATED” - PART II

This Chapter continues to look at Fulfilled Prophecies at the end of the human life of Jesus and the start of His eternal life while still on the earth. He fulfilled them all. We have listed nearly **60 prophecies** that Jesus fulfilled in this part of His life, His trials, His Crucifixion, and His death. The study focuses on the fact that Jesus was dead, but He was not defeated after all that happened on Good Friday.

PROPHECY #57 Jesus Was Pierced Only After His Death (Continued from Chapter 6)

Jesus was definitely not defeated because, not only did He choose when He would die, a sacrifice not an execution, but He also died of a broken heart.

Prophecy Psalm 22:14

“I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint. My heart has turned to wax, it has melted within me.”

It was fulfilled in

Fulfilled John 19:34

“Instead, one of the soldiers pierced Jesus side with a spear, bringing a sudden flow of blood and water together.”

The prophecy talked about the powerlessness of the person under a great attack. But I think we need to also see that Jesus had tasted sin for the very first time. Not His sin, He did nothing wrong, but the sin of those who would believe in His salvation, and He paid the price for those sins. An act so humiliating and rancid for Jesus that it was literally a heart-breaker. The Psalmist says the heart of Jesus had acted like wax under heat, it just melted. John says the blood and the water came out but medically the immediate separation of blood and water shows a ruptured heart. Jesus literally died of a broken/or ruptured heart. As Jesus gave up His life, He allowed His heart to rupture; the effect of sin on the body of Jesus did physically what no person ever did.

PROPHECY #58 Jesus Was Buried in a Rich Man’s Grave

The next prophecy that proved that Jesus was dead but not defeated is the fact that He was buried in a rich man’s grave. He thwarted one more act of humiliation they had planned for him. Let’s see how the prophecy was worded.

Prophecy Isaiah 53:9

“He was assigned a grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death, though he had done no violence nor was any deceit in his mouth.”

The intent of how the enemies of the Messiah were going to treat him is clear and the result of a special burial among the rich is what happened. The fulfillment of the prophecy is found in **Matthew**.

Fulfilled *Matthew 27:57-60*

“As evening approached, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who had himself become a disciple of Jesus. Going to Pilate, he asked for Jesus’ body, and Pilate ordered that it be given to him. Joseph took the body, wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, and placed it in his own new tomb that he had cut out of the rock. He rolled a big stone in front of the entrance to the tomb and went away. Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were sitting there opposite the tomb.”

The prophecy said Jesus was to be assigned to be buried with the wicked and **John** verifies that was true.

John 19:31

“Now it was the day of Preparation, and the next day was to be a special Sabbath. Because the Jewish leaders did not want the bodies left on the crosses during the Sabbath, they asked Pilate to have the legs broken and the bodies taken down.”

They would have just been buried in some of the pits in the garbage dump or left on top of the garbage already there. There would not have been time to bury them anywhere else because it would be the Sabbath in just a few hours, and no one could bury a body of anyone on the Sabbath without breaking the laws in the Bible.

The leaders wanted Him to be killed with the lowest criminals, revolutionaries and murderers, and intended for the soldiers to break the legs of all three and as they died, then toss their bodies into a commoner’s grave. We would call it an open pit where bodies were tossed and barely covered with dirt and garbage, but the prophesy said instead, “*The Servant*” who we know is the Messiah Jesus was to be buried with the rich in an honorable tomb through the donated tomb of a wealthy man.

Matthew 27:57-60 tells us how this happened. Joseph of Arimathea stepped forward and asked for the body. Arimathea was about 15-20 miles Northwest of Jerusalem. Joseph is identified in **Mark 15:43** and **Luke 23:50-51** as a member of the Sanhedrin, but Luke adds, “*Joseph had not consented to their decision and deed*” in condemning Jesus Christ.

Mark 15:43

“Joseph of Arimathea, a prominent member of the Council, who was himself waiting for the kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for Jesus’ body.”

Luke 23:50-51

“Now there was a man named Joseph, a member of the Council, a good and upright man, who had not consented to their decision and action. He came from the Judean town of Arimathea, and he himself was waiting for the kingdom of God.”

Joseph and Nicodemus, who we first met in the Gospel of **John Chapter 3**, were both prominent Jewish leaders and they asked Pilate for the body. Pilate has made his point, he has ordered the execution of the “King of the Jews” and really does not care about the body, so he gives it to them. Joseph and Nicodemus take the body of Jesus, prepare it for burial by wrapping 75 pounds of perfumes and lotions around the body and holding it there with large strips of cloth that wrapped the body into an enclosed tomb. The cloths served just like a casket does today in our civilization. They resembled an undried mummy. It is the Gospel of John that spells out most of the details.

John 19:38-42

“Later, Joseph of Arimathea asked Pilate for the body of Jesus. Now Joseph was a disciple of Jesus, but secretly because he feared the Jewish leaders. With Pilate’s permission, he came and took the body away. He was accompanied by Nicodemus, the man who earlier had visited Jesus at night. Nicodemus brought a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about seventy-five pounds. Taking Jesus’ body, the two of them wrapped it, with the spices in strips of linen. This was in accordance with Jewish burial customs. At the place where Jesus was crucified, there was a garden, and in the garden a new tomb, in which no one had ever been laid. Because it was the Jewish day of Preparation and since the tomb was nearby, they laid Jesus there.”

It tells us that Joseph and Nicodemus and probably some of the servants of Joseph came and took the body of Jesus. They brought 75 pounds of myrrh and aloes and packed the spices around the body of Jesus with linen strips which was the Jewish custom. They then took this prepared body to the tomb, hewn out of rock and located in a garden. There they buried Christ and John tells us the tomb was not far from where Jesus was crucified. Joseph and his men rolled the stone over the grave opening and the women were close by and observed where Jesus had been buried. They would return!!!

Jonathan Bernis, writing in the magazine, ‘Jewish Voice Today’, said twenty-eight of the prophecies that we have already studied in showing that Jesus was the greatest fulfiller of Bible prophecies ever, were unknown and not studied by the Jewish scholars of the time of Jesus because they felt these twenty-eight did not connect to the coming of the Messiah.

PROPHECY #59 Jesus Was Betrayed by a Close Friend

The Psalmist David predicted Judas’ betrayal when he, prophetically speaking as the Messiah wrote:

Prophecy Psalm 41:9

“Even my own close friend, whom I trusted, who ate my own bread, has lifted up his heel against me.”

In a similar way, the prophet Zechariah foresaw the way Jesus’ closest friends and disciples dispersed and went into hiding on the day of darkness.

Prophecy Zechariah 13:7

"Awake, O sword, against My shepherd, against the man who is My companion! It is a declaration of Adonai-Tzva'ot. Strike the shepherd and the sheep will be scattered."

He further notes, the Word of God records the precise fulfillment of this prophecy.

Fulfilled Mark 14:50

"And all fled, abandoning Him."

PROPHECY #60 Messiah Would be Killed at a Precise Time

Daniel's prophecies concerning the Messiah are extraordinary. In his prophecy of the '69 weeks," he not only delivered the stunning prediction that Israel's Messiah, would be killed—something unthinkable to the Israelite mind—he predicted the time of the Messiah's execution down to the exact day.

Prophecy Daniel 9:25-26 (70 Weeks Prophecy)

"Know and understand this: From the time the word goes out to restore and rebuild Jerusalem until the Anointed One, the ruler, comes, there will be seven 'sevens,' and sixty-two 'sevens.' It will be rebuilt with streets and a trench, but in times of trouble. 26 After the sixty-two 'sevens,' the Anointed One will be put to death and will have nothing. The people of the ruler who will come will destroy the city and the sanctuary. The end will come like a flood: War will continue until the end, and desolations have been decreed."

Daniels' 'weeks' here are weeks of years. In other words, seven-year periods. And at the time he received this revelation, God's people were still in exile in Babylon. Babylon eventually fell to the rival empire of Persia, and just as Daniel had predicted, in 458 BC the Persian King Artaxerxes issued a 'decree' permitting the return of Judah's exiles and the restoration of Jerusalem. The 24 hours that led up to and included Jesus's death and burial were clearly a part of a day packed to the brim with fulfilled prophecy.

Of course, Jesus also fulfilled His own prophetic words on that day as well. Among them were the words He spoke to Nicodemus who had come to Him under the cover of darkness, words that not only pointed to His impending execution but also explained the significance of that sacrifice. Jesus told Nicodemus.

Fulfilled John 3:14-16.

"Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, so that whoever believes in Him may have eternal life! For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life."

A few chapters later in the Gospel of John, we hear Jesus prophesying further, this time to His inner circle, He told them.

Fulfilled John 12:32-33

‘And as I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw all to myself.’ He said this to show the kind of death He was about to die.”

TWENTY-EIGHT NEGLECTED PROPHECIES

The twenty-eight (28) neglected Scriptures in a study by Jewish theologians is one of the primary reasons the Jews did not see Jesus for who He was. They were looking for a different Messiah. But Jesus did not come to meet expectations, He came to fulfill Scripture and with that to offer salvation to all of us.

1. The Serpent Would Bruise the Seed of the Woman

PROPHECY #61 The Serpent Would Bruise the Seed of the Woman

Prophecy Genesis 3:15

“I will put animosity between you and the woman—between your seed and her seed. He will crush your head, and you will bruise his heel!”

Fulfilled John 12:31-32

“Now is the judgment of this world! Now the prince of this world will be driven out! And as I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw all to Myself.” He said this to show the kind of death He was about to die.

Reason Not to Study: This inferior way to die would never happen to their conquering military Messiah.

2. Messiah Sacrificed (Daniel 70-Weeks Prophecy)

PROPHECY #62 Messiah Sacrificed (Daniel 70-Weeks Prophecy)

Prophecy Daniel 9:26

“Then after the 62 weeks Messiah will be cut off and have nothing.”

Fulfilled John 11:50-52

“You don’t take into account that it is better for you that one man dies for the people rather than for the whole nation to be destroyed.” Now he did not say this by himself; but as the high priest that year, he prophesied that Jesus would die for the nation. And not for the nation only, but also so that He might gather together into one the scattered children of God.”

Reason Not to Apply to Jesus: Jesus might be a needed sacrifice for the country to rally and be preserved. Not a messiah at all!

3. Messiah Betrayed by Close Friend

PROPHECY #63 Messiah Betrayed by Close Friend

Prophecy Psalm 41:9

“Even my own close friend, whom I trusted, who ate my bread, has lifted up his heel against me.”

Fulfilled Mark 14:10-11

“Then Judas Iscariot, one of the Twelve, went to the chief priests to betray Jesus to them. They were delighted to hear this and promised to give him money. He began to look for a way to turn him over”.

Reason Not to Study: The Jews believed the Messiah would have no one powerful enough to betray him, that he would conquer all.

4. Family & Friends Abandoned Jesus

PROPHECY #64 Jesus Family & Friends Abandoned Jesus

Prophecy Zechariah 13:7

“Awake, O sword, against My shepherd, against the man who is My companion! It is a declaration of Adonai-Tzva’ot. Strike the shepherd and the sheep will be scattered! I will turn My hand against the little ones.”

Fulfilled Mark 14:40 *“And all fled, abandoning Him.”*

Reason Not to Study: The Jewish concept of a Messiah never had him losing or getting killed.

5. Judas was Paid to Betray Jesus

PROPHECY #65 Judas Was Paid to Betray Jesus

Prophecy Zechariah 11:12

“Then I said to them, ‘If it seems good to you, pay me my wages, but if not, don’t bother.’ So, they weighed out my wages.”

Fulfilled Matthew 26: 15

“And said, what are you willing to give me if I hand Him over to you? And they weighted out thirty-shekels of silver for him.”

Reason not to study: Their Messiah would not have anyone who would betray him, he would only have followers.

6. The Prophecy of What Would Be Done with The Betrayal Money

Reason not to study: No one would betray the Jewish Messiah.

7. Isaiah Said Messiah Would Be Sacrificed as the Passover Lamb of God

Reason not to study: They did not need a sacrificial Messiah; they needed a strong king.

8. Messiah Would Be Scourged and Mocked.

9. The Body of The Messiah Would Be Mutilated.

10. The Prophecy That the Messiah Would Be Condemned as a Criminal

11. False Witnesses Would Testify Against the Messiah

12. Messiah Would Not Defend Himself

13. Messiah Would Be Crucified

14. Messiah Would Be Numbered Among the Lawbreakers

15. Messiah Would Have His Hands and Feet Pierced

16. Garments of Messiah Would Be Divided Among Those Who Killed Him

17. Messiah Would Be Given Vinegar to Drink While He Was Dying

18. Many Would Watch While He Was Being Crucified

19. Messiah Would Die, His Friends & Family Standing a Long Distance Away

20. Messiah Would Be Subject to Taunts While He Was Being Killed

21. Messiah Would Be Ridiculed for Believing In God, When It Seems God Had Deserted Him

22. Messiah Would Make Intercession for Sinners While He Was Being Killed

23. Messiah Would Appeal to God Not to Forsake Him

24. Body of the Messiah Would Be Pierced By A Spear.

25. Messiah Would Not Have a Grave of His Own, His Family Would Have to Borrow One from Someone Else

Reason not to study: It is obvious that none of these 25 prophecies that actually Jesus fulfilled put the light on the Messiah that the Jews desired. They felt these must be prophecies about someone else—but not their coming freedom releasing, strong unified country leader, and military commander the world would respect. These were all ignored as Messianic prophecies.

The last three on the list were not repudiations of the Messiah the Jews expected like the first 25 were but they focus on the Messiah as dying and not as conquering and freeing Judah to restore Israel as a powerful nation in the world. They were:

26. *Messiah Would Commit His Spirit to God.*

That might be true, but not what they wanted to study about a Messiah.

27. *Messiah Would Say It Is Finished*

This would fit the Jewish narrative for the Messiah but it was seen as something said at the end of their life—not their focus.

28. *Not A Bone Would Be Broken, & Messiah Would Be Like The Passover Lamb.*

Reason not to study: It sounds like someone that is defeated, defeated but with no broken bones. It did not fit the narrative of what they wanted or expected. The way someone thinks about something that is to happen often influences how they interpret the events that happen around them. This was very true of the Messiah and the Jews. It was impossible for them to abandon enough of their thinking to embrace Jesus as the Messiah no matter what Scriptures were being fulfilled. He just did not fit any of their thoughts.

Many of these prophecies are addressed throughout the document.

As easy as that is to understand, expectations unmet means this is just not the right person! It is what happens next in the life of Jesus the Messiah that even takes Divine Intervention to convince the followers of Jesus that it was happening. The prophecies will quickly move to the result of the sacrifice of the Messiah. Three days from when He was killed on the earth, He is among them again in an eternal body. We will look closely at the resurrection of Jesus next week and see what He did not only fulfilled prophecy, but it also lifted Him above all in leading people to see what happens after this life.

CHAPTER # 8 “JESUS DEAD BUT NOT DEFEATED” PART III

This Chapter continues to look at another series of Fulfilled Prophecies after the crucifixion of Jesus the Messiah and the start of the eternal life of Jesus while still here on earth. Had anyone not been so caught up in the grief and the loss of knowing Jesus had died, they would have remembered the Scriptures and realized that Christ could not and would not stay dead according to prophecy. He died to be resurrected. He gave His life for the Father to restore His. His sacrifice for sins had been completed and now He could resume His life with His Father in Heaven.

Yes, the resurrection is not only a great theme of the life of Jesus, the fulfilment of prophecy and the mission of the Lord; it is also proof that Jesus alone is the Messiah sent from God to deliver the world from sin. The resurrection proved that Jesus died, but in no sense of the word could any logical person say that He was defeated.

PROPHECY #66 Jesus Messiah Sent from God to Deliver the World from Sin

Prophecy *Isaiah 53:10-11*

“Yet it was the Lord’s will to crush him and cause him to suffer, and though the Lord makes his life an offering for sin, he will see his offspring and prolong his days, and the will of the Lord will prosper in his hand. After he has suffered, he will see the light of life and be satisfied, by his knowledge my righteous servant will justify many, and he will bear their iniquities.”

Isaiah has told us that although Jesus did not deserve to die, the Lord’s will would be for Him to die. He had a task; to be the one essential sacrificial offering for sin, a human who had lived a perfect life and therefore qualified to be a human Passover sacrifice. Christ knew what was needed to solve the sin problem and still ensure punishment for the sins committed and he provided a way that the penalty was paid for our sins, and that was the judgement for those sins was placed on Him and He died to make it happen.

It was fulfilled as Mark describes an angel announcing this to the women in Mark.

Fulfilled *Mark 16:6*

“‘Don’t be alarmed,’ he said. ‘You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him.’”

The angel clearly said who they were looking for, Jesus the Nazarene, and the women were not confused or went to the wrong tomb. Jesus, the angel said, is raised, so the tomb is empty. It became the center point of the Gospel message.

The Resurrection of Jesus Christ Is Prophesied as Having Two Fulfilled Results:

1. Fulfilled - Jesus Rose from the Grave and Was Alive

Fulfilled **Romans 1:2-4**, Paul states it this way.

"The gospel he promised beforehand through his prophets in the Holy Scriptures regarding his Son, who as to his earthly life was a descendant of David, and who through the Spirit of holiness was appointed the Son of God in power by his resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord."

Paul tells us it the reason for the Gospel of salvation comes through Jesus. It is the dividing line between Jesus and all other humans. He is the Son of God and His resurrection was a total victory over sin. He sealed salvation for all believers.

Romans 5:6

"You see at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly."

It is the basis by which we call ourselves Christians.

2. Fulfilled - Jesus Also Destroyed Death and the Grave.

He fulfilled the scripture from **Isaiah 53**, in that Jesus also destroyed death and the grave as an enemy of believers. He is the one who conquered death. Paul states that very clearly in:

Fulfilled **I Corinthians 15:12-20**

"But if it is preached that Christ has been raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. And if Christ has not been raised our preaching is useless and so is your faith. More than that, we are then found to be false witnesses about God for we have testified about God that he raised Christ from the dead. But he did not raise him if in fact the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised either. And if Christ has not been raised, our faith is futile; you are still in your sins. Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are lost. If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied."

So, Christ was raised and created a way to guarantee that we shall also be raised. It is the basis for calling yourself a Christian, belief in the resurrection. It is the down payment of our own resurrections. We conquer death because Jesus conquered death and presented that the sure and certain knowledge that we shall all also be resurrected. His resurrection has been the guarantee that all will be resurrected and He has given that as a gift to His followers.

PROPHECY #67 Jesus Messiah Would Not Suffer Decay in His Body

Jesus was dead but not defeated because God in prophecy had promised that Jesus the Messiah would not suffer decay in His body. He would bypass all the natural steps of physical decay. God gave the prophecy through David in Psalms.

Prophecy *Psalm 16:10*

"Because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead, nor will you let our faithful one see decay."

It was clearly fulfilled in Acts when Luke writes.

Fulfilled *Acts 2:25-28*

"And David said about him, 'I saw the Lord always before me, because he is at my right hand. I will not be shaken. Therefore, my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will rest in hope, because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead, you will not let your holy one see decay. You have made known to me the paths of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence.'"

Paul also said this prophecy had been fulfilled in Jesus.

Fulfilled *Acts 13:35*

"So, it is stated elsewhere. You will not let your holy one see decay."

The prophecy in Psalms was a description of the joy that the total security of God's faithful care can produce. God's gracious provision and care wills life to His Son. The life goes on after death because the person will not be abandoned to the grave regardless of the failure of the flesh and of the heart. God will not allow even the grave to rob Jesus from life.

In **Acts 2:25-28**, Peter quotes this passage in his sermon to the people on Pentecost when the Church was birthed and declares that Jesus was the object of the prophecy and that God would not leave Jesus in the realm of the dead. Peter reminds them they still have the grave of David—so David could not have written the prophecy about himself, the body of David was never raised back to life.

Peter expresses the same thing and states that the Son of David would be raised and placed on David's throne to reign. In **Acts 13:35**, when Paul is preaching in a synagogue in Pisidian Antioch, he made the same point. David could not be speaking of himself; he died, his body is decayed and they all knew where the tomb was and that his body had decayed. David, The Psalmist wrote it and both Paul and Peter said it had to be speaking of someone else other than David, the author of this Psalm, and that someone else is Jesus.

The resurrection of Jesus triggered many fulfillments of Scripture. The passage in Psalms that the Messiah would die but not decay was fulfilled in several places in the New Testament.

Fulfilled *Matthew 16:21*

“From that time on Jesus began to explain to his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things at the hands of the elders, the chief priests, and teachers of the law, that he must be killed, and on the third day be raised to life.”

Jesus taught it also in.

Fulfilled *Mark 8:31*

“He then began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the elders of the Law, and that he must be killed and after three days rise again.”

Many prophecies from the time of the ministry of Jesus were fulfilled when Jesus died, was buried, and was resurrected. Let's look at several fulfilled events. We will not increase the number of fulfilled prophecies as we list them, because we were focused on Old Testament prophecies fulfilled in the life of Jesus Christ.

PROPHECY #68 Disciples See Jesus After the Resurrection

He would go to Galilee to meet the entire group. It had been prophesied to the women at the empty tomb:

Prophecy *Mark 16:7*

“But go, tell his disciples and Peter, ‘He is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told them.’”

It was fulfilled in.

Fulfilled *Matthew 28:16*

“Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. When they saw him, they worshiped him, but some doubted.”

PROPHECY #69 Temple Veil into Holy of Holies Split

Hebrews explains why the Temple veil separating the Holy of Holies would need to be split open when Jesus died.

Prophecy *Hebrews 10:19-22*

“Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near to God

with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water.”

The veil of the Temple into the Holy of Holies was split to tell us it is a fulfillment of the Priesthood of Jesus and shows that he is now our priestly intercessor. The splitting of the veil happened the moment that Jesus gave up His Spirit.

Fulfilled *Matthew 27:50-51*

“And when Jesus had cried out again in a loud voice, he gave up his spirit. At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. The earth shook, the rocks split.”

PROPHECY #70 Jesus Messiah Would Ascend Back into Heaven

The resurrection proved Jesus was dead but not defeated because He was able to fulfill the prophesy that He would ascend back into heaven. It had been stated in.

Prophecy *Psalms 68:18*

“When you ascended on high, you took many captives; you received gifts from people, even from the rebellious that you, Lord God, might dwell there.”

The prophecy was written by David to express the victorious ascension of Jesus back to heaven and like a conquering king who would lead many captives back, Jesus is leading those who were captives of sin into the freedom they get from salvation and the final destination of heaven.

Fulfilled *Acts 1:9*

“After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight.”

Fulfilled *Ephesians 4:8*

“This is why it says, ‘When he ascended on high, he took many captives and gave gifts to his people.’”

This statement of Jesus ascending is used by Luke four times in the first chapter of **Acts**, verses **2, 9, 11**, and **22**. Each time it is to describe the end of the Lord’s earthly ministry. God the Father took Jesus in His Resurrected body from the world to His rightful place at the right hand of the Father.

Fulfilled *Luke 24:51*

“While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up into heaven.”

In the passage in Ephesians Paul shows Christ returning from the battle on earth back to heaven with the trophies of His great victory on Calvary. Christ conquered Satan and death and in triumph returns to God those who were once sinners and prisoners of Satan. Then Paul gives us details about the ascension of Jesus. He first descended, became human, when He came down

from heaven as a man to the earth, where He suffered and died. Paul says His ascension happened after he fulfilled all prophecies, prepared the way for salvation through redemption and began to distribute gifts to all believers.

Fulfilled *Ephesians 4:10*

"He who descended is the very one who ascended higher than all the heavens, in order to fill the whole universe."

PROPHECY #71 Jesus Exalted, Sits at the Right Hand of God in Heaven

Jesus not only returned to heaven as the victorious Messiah of the Jews but also as the victorious Messiah of all of humanity and His new place in heaven sealed another prophecy. It had been prophesied in:

Prophecy *Psalms 110:1*

"The Lord says to my Lord; 'Sit at my right hand until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet.'"

David wrote a Psalm that spoke of the exaltation of one of his sons (through lineage), Jesus Christ the Messiah. The first prophecy of ***Psalm 110:1*** has to do with the exalted place of Jesus after His ascension. It was at the right hand of God. Jesus quoted this Psalm three times, Jesus quoted this Psalm three times, ***Matthew 22:43-45***, ***Mark 12:35-37***; and ***Luke 20:42*** and each time it was to show that David called the Messiah who was to come "His Lord". The deity of the Messiah was established by Jesus in these discussions. Peter quotes it in ***Acts 2:34-36*** during the sermon on the Day of Pentecost to prove that Jesus was the Son of God, and the author of Hebrews uses it three times in ***Hebrews 1:13***; ***5:1-10***; and ***7:11-28*** to show:

1. Angels are not Divine

Fulfilled *Hebrews 1:13*

"To which of the angels did God ever say, 'Sit at my right hand until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet'?"

2. God the Father Made Jesus High Priest.

Jesus did not go through a popular choice to be a High Priest but God the Father made Him a High Priest because of His great compassion to forgive the sins of mankind.

Hebrews 5:7-10

"During the days of Jesus' life on earth, he offered up prayers and petitions with fervent cries and tears to the one who could save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Son though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered and, once made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him and was designated by God to be high priest in the order of Melchizedek."

3. Jesus was Declared a High Priest

Hebrews 7:28

"For the law appoints as high priest's men in all their weakness; but the oath, which came after the law, appointed the Son, who has been made perfect forever."

PROPHECY #72 Jesus Returns to Earth and Rules

Prophecy *Psalms 110:2-7*

"The LORD will extend your mighty scepter from Zion, saying, 'Rule in the midst of your enemies!' Your troops will be willing on your day of battle. Arrayed in holy splendor, your young men will come to you like dew from the morning's womb. The LORD has sworn and will not change his mind: 'You are a priest forever, in the order of Melchizedek.' The Lord is at your right hand; he will crush kings on the day of his wrath. He will judge the nations, heaping up the dead and crushing the rulers of the whole earth. He will drink from a brook along the way, and so he will lift his head high."

Psalm 110:1 joins **Psalm 22** as one of the most prophetic Psalms in the Bible. The title 'My Lord' speaks of the Divine King of Israel and verses 2-7 of **Psalm 110** speak of Christ's role here when He returns to this earth and rules through the Millennial Kingdom. It was an argument also to establish the Deity of Jesus because only God could have been Lord to King David.

Fulfilled: *Mark 16:19*

"After the Lord Jesus had spoken to them, he was taken up into heaven and he sat at the right hand of God."

This was a place of honor Jesus assumed after His ascension. It was a part of the first Church sermon in **Acts 2:33**. It was a part of the High Priest work of Jesus, **Hebrews 10:12**, part of the church receiving spiritual gifts, **Ephesians 4:7-10**; and part of the personal indwelling gift of the Holy Spirit to the Church in **Acts 2**.

PROPHECY #73 Jesus Serves as Our High Priest, Appointed by God for All Time

It was prophesied that Jesus would serve as our High Priest, appointed by God the Father, once He was resurrected for all time. It was prophesied in Psalms.

Prophecy *Psalms 110:4*

"The Lord has sworn and will not change his mind: 'You are a priest forever, in the order of Melchizedek.'"

The prophecy speaks of the first time in the history of Israel when a king will simultaneously serve as a High Priest and a King. Christ will build the Temple at which the whole world will worship after He returns, **II Samuel 7:13**; **Isaiah 2:2-4**; and a detailed restoration of the Temple that will be used in the Millennial Kingdom, **Ezekiel 40-48**. Christ represents the final and foremost high priest in all of Israel, the order of Melchizedek this final prophesied high priest could not be of Aaron's lineage: Aaron's descendants were not eternal, not from Judah, could not be king, and would not represent the New Covenant. The need to represent the New Covenant with a different priesthood is prophesied in:

Prophecy *Jeremiah 31:31-33*

*"The days are coming, declares the Lord. 'When I will make a new covenant' with all the people of Israel and with the people of Judah. It will not be like the covenant I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they broke my covenant though I was a husband to them, declares the Lord. This is the covenant' I will make with the people of Israel after that time,' declares the Lord. I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people.'" It is spelled out in **Hebrews 8:13** which says, "By calling this covenant 'new' he has made the first one obsolete, and what is obsolete and outdated will soon disappear."*

Melchizedek means "King of Righteousness" and he serves as the king/human model for the role of Jesus after the resurrection of Christ.

This prophecy was fulfilled: in

Fulfilled *Hebrews 6:19-20*

"We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm, and secure. It enters the inner sanctuary behind the curtain, where our forerunner, Jesus, has entered on our behalf. He has become a high priest forever, in the order of Melchizedek."

This prophecy was fulfilled when Jesus entered into God's presence in the Holy of Holies on our behalf. It was pointed out in **Hebrews 5:1-7** that Jesus did not assume this place but as prophesied God chose Him to fill it.

PROPHECY #74 *Jesus was God's Son*

Prophecy *Psalms 2:7*

"I will proclaim the Lord's decree: He said to me, "You are my Son, today I have become your Father."

It was spelled out how it was fulfilled in:

Fulfilled *Hebrews 5:7-8*

"During the days of Jesus' life on earth, he offered up prayers and petitions with fervent cries and tears to the one who could save him from death, and he heard because of his

reverent submission. Son, though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered and once made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him.”

Jesus through his suffering to save and deliver the world while here on earth cried out to His Father for deliverance and God granted that in the fact that just as promised, Jesus did not suffer decay. God appointed Jesus to be the eternal High Priest and Jesus today is the one who directs eternal salvation.

Jesus was chosen because of His power and indestructible life. He was ordained as a priest by an oath from God which means Jesus will lead the New Covenant and direct it perfectly.

CHAPTER # 9: “JESUS FULFILLED EVERY ‘SAVING MESSIAH’ PROPHECY

This chapter continues the study of Fulfilled Prophetic Scriptures by Jesus at the end of His earthly life and the resumption of His eternal life while still on earth. We have studied over 70 Old Testament Scriptures that were fulfilled by Christ in that 50-day time period. We have also studied 12 prophecies that were spoken about Jesus while He was still alive as a human that were fulfilled in that same time period. I hope these prophecies highlight for you just how vital this period was for Jesus Christ to establish salvation by grace, victory over death and the grave, and lay the foundation that was needed for the birth of the Church just 50 days after He died. I wanted us to go into the Resurrection Season remembering what Jesus has done for us and how much it required of Him. We have never had a greater friend than Jesus. We have never had anyone do more for us than Jesus Christ. Because He has defeated all of our enemies that we could not defeat, intercedes for us at all times, and brings us to the throne of the Father for healing, direction, and salvation.

THE IMPACT OF THE RESURRECTION PROPHECIES FOR CHRISTIANS

We see two great-takeaways from the study of the prophecies Christ fulfilled in the last week of His human life.

1. Jesus Died a Tragic Martyr's Death but It Was Not Unexpected

It had been prophesied in detail, and with the hand of God involved, it was not a negative event. I want to stress that world and national conditions were right for the prophecies to come true when Jesus was alive. For instance, the prophecy by Daniel of when the Messiah would enter the city of Jerusalem and the year that He would die could only happen in the time span of the life of Christ. No other time will ever again be the right number of years for that prophecy to be fulfilled. It happened at the right time in history or else Daniel wrote a Bible letter with a false hood in it.

The idea that crucifixion would be the way that common people and common criminals would be put to death was what was happening in Judah only when Rome controlled Judah. It has never again been the way of execution in Israel or Judah before or since.

2. The Nation of Judah Has Not Existed for Over 2,000 Years

There has not been a nation of Judah for over 2,000 years and there is still not a nation of Judah. The Temple has not been restored or active for over 2,000 years. So, many of the prophecies that Jesus fulfilled the last 50 days He was on the earth

had to do with the City of Jerusalem, under control by foreign authorities but with a functioning Sanhedrin and led by a Chief Priest.

Today we have the nation of Israel, restored as both Judah and Israel, (formerly the 10 Northern tribes.) Israel today is independent and not under the control of a foreign nation. Most importantly Israel now functions as a democracy with the Knesset serving as the government and Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu as the leader of an independent nation of Israel.

The idea that the times spoken of by the prophets could still be speaking of our present time is not true and the idea that the times spoken of by all the Old Testament prophets about the time of Christ is true because it meets all the criteria of the prophecies.

When all prophecies are fulfilled in full detail, there seems to be no viable options than to say, “Jesus Christ fulfilled all the prophecies to be the Messiah of the Jews and of the World.”

GOD’S HAND TURNED TRAGIC EVENTS INTO TRIUMPHS FOR THE WORLD

Let’s look at how God’s hand turned tragic events into triumphs for the world.

1. The Curse of Sin Removed

The crucifixion removed the curse of sin for all who would accept Jesus as their Savior and believe in Him.

2. The Curse of Death Removed

The resurrection removed the curse of death. Since Jesus was raised, all believers will also be raised and death is no more than one other event in the life of every person. This also means that graves will not have victory over Christians, because as your spirit goes to be with Christ forever, all that is left is the vessel that held your spirit. The Bible says that the human vessel we live in is no more eternal than a tent, but that God will give us a new body. He calls it a *‘house not made with hands’* in which we can live eternally.

3. The Enemies Opposed to Eternal Happiness Removed

These are the last enemies opposed to our eternal happiness and Paul tells us that Jesus removed all of them: the curse of sin—meaning condemnation for unforgiven sins; the death of the physical body being the end of anything; and the grave as a permanent residence for those who have died.

1 Corinthians 15:56-57

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

All these enemies of Christians have been eliminated in the life of every believer, that believes Jesus is their Savior Messiah.

RESURRECTION OF JESUS HAD TO HAPPEN FOR CHRISTIANITY TO BE BORN

Many of the events that were prophesied and took place at the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus had to happen for Christianity to be born and start the work of the Church. Without them we would not have the Church today and it would not be teaching the doctrines that support every Christian Church. The fact that God has sent His Son to die a perfect sinless life and take our place as our sacrifice for our sins; the idea that Jesus has been raised from the dead and so will take all of His believers to heaven with Him after they have died and are raised are all based on what Jesus did the last 50 days He was here on the earth. In fact, there is not a single saving doctrine in the Christian Church that could be taught today if Jesus had not fulfilled the prophesies, He did the last 50 days of His life on this earth.

1. Death of the Passover Lamb Had to Occur

The death of the Paschal Lamb, Jesus fulfilling the role of the Passover Lamb, had to occur for salvation to be offered to all believers. The Gentiles previously had to come to God by becoming a Jew and live under the directions of the Old Testament/The Covenant of the Law.

2. Jesus Had to Die, Be Buried, And Rise Again

Jesus had to die, be buried, and rise again to be able to ascend to heaven triumphantly and sit at the right hand of God to intercede on our behalf, and send the Holy Spirit to live inside each believer.

3. Jesus Fulfilled Events Needed for the Holy of Holies to be Opened

Jesus had to fulfill the events needed for the Holy of Holies to be opened, for Christ to prepare a way to the God behind the curtain and then Jesus could and would become our interceding High Priest.

There were many negatives, a host of injustices, and great betrayals of the Son of God at the end of His earthly life. Jesus suffered many horrible things in the last physical week of His life, but God turned them all into positives for us, His believers.

GENERAL PROPHECIES THAT PROVE JESUS IS THE MESSIAH

Let us look at some general prophecies about Jesus that He fulfilled that did not fall into that 50-day window. These also are great proofs that Jesus is the prophesied Messiah, not just for the Jews but for the world.

Jesus fulfilled all the prophecies that involved the promises God made to many in the Old Testament that the Saving Messiah would come from their bloodline. The genealogy of the Messiah is spelled out in detail in the Old Testament and they were either accurate statements or they were falsehoods. Jesus fulfilled them all.

PROPHECY #75 Jesus Born of the Seed of a Woman

Jesus was the only person ever to be conceived by the Holy Spirit and therefore born of a woman.

Prophecy *Genesis 3:15*

"And I will put enmity between you (Satan) and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head and you will strike his heel."

It was fulfilled that Jesus would be conceived of the Holy Spirit and be the only human born without the involvement of a male, only the seed of woman. The angel Gabriel had visited Mary to tell her that she would have a son and she was to name him Jesus. He would reign over Jacob's descendant forever; his kingdom would never end.

Fulfilled *Luke 1:34-35*

"'How will this be,' Mary asked the angel, 'since I am a virgin?' the angel answered, 'The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you. So, the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God.'"

It was fulfilled as Paul wrote in Romans.

Fulfilled *Romans 16:19-20*

"Everyone has heard about your obedience, so I rejoice because of you; but I want you to be wise about what is good, and innocent about what is evil. The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet. The grace of our Lord Jesus be with you."

PROPHECY #76 Jesus Must Come from the Line of Abraham

God had asked Abraham to offer his son Isaac as a sacrifice and after God stopped the sacrifice, He commended Abraham and said:

Prophecy *Genesis 22:15-18*

"The angel of the LORD called to Abraham from heaven a second time and said, 'I swear by myself, declares the LORD, that because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, I will surely bless you and make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as the sand on the seashore. Your descendants will take possession of the cities of their enemies, and through your offspring all nations on earth will be blessed, because you have obeyed me.' "And through your offspring, all nations on earth will be blessed, because you obeyed me."

**The following Scriptures fulfilled the next four prophecies about the Saving Messiah-Jesus.

Fulfilled *Galatians 3:8-9*

"Scripture foresaw that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, and announced the gospel in advance to Abraham: 'All nations will be blessed through you.' So those who rely on faith are blessed along with Abraham, the man of faith."

PROPHECY #77 Jesus Must Come from the Line of Isaac

Prophecy *Genesis 17:19*

"Then God said, 'Yes, but your wife Sarah will bear you a son, and you will call him Isaac. I will establish my covenant with him as an everlasting covenant for his descendants after him.'"

PROPHECY #78 Jesus Must Come from the Line of Jacob

Prophecy *Numbers 24:17*

"I see him, but not now; I behold him, but not near. A star will come out of Jacob; a scepter will rise out of Israel."

PROPHECY #79 Jesus Must Come from the Tribe of Judah

Prophecy *Genesis 49:10*

"The scepter will not depart from Judah, nor the ruler's staff from between his feet, until he to whom it belongs shall come, and the obedience of the nations shall be his."

The previous four prophecies are all fulfilled in the first 3 verses of **Matthew 1**, where the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah, the son of David and the son of Abraham, starts with Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and Judah and fulfills the Old Testament genealogy prophecies about the Messiah.

Fulfilled *Matthew 1:1-3*

"This is the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah the son of David, the son of Abraham: Abraham was the father of Isaac, Isaac the father of Jacob, Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers, Judah the father of Perez and Zerah, whose mother was Tamar, Perez the father of Hezron, Hezron the father of Ram."

PROPHECY #80 Jesus Inherits the Throne of David

The Saving Messiah must be from the line of King David for He will inherit the throne of David and will be heir to the throne.

God's promise to David is clear.

Prophecy II Samuel 7:12-13

"When your days are over and you rest with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring to succeed you, your own flesh and blood, and I will establish his kingdom. He is the one who will build a house for my Name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. I will be his father and he will be my son."

Samual also prophesies.

Prophecy Isaiah 9:7

"Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The Zeal of the Lord will accomplish this."

Fulfilled Acts: 3:29-32

"Fellow Israelites, I can tell you confidently that the patriarch David died and was buried, and his tomb is here to this day. But he was a prophet and knew that God had promised him on oath that he would place one of his descendants on his throne. 31 Seeing what was to come, He spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, that he was not abandoned to the realm of the dead, nor did his body see decay. God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of it."

Jesus is from the line of David and will be a viable heir to the throne of David and He is already living eternally. So, He meets all the areas of this prophecy and will be ready to totally fulfill them when He returns to this earth as the triumphant leader of heaven.

PROPHECY #81 The Throne of the Saving Messiah will be Anointed & Eternal

Prophecy Psalm 45:6-7

"Your throne, O God, will last forever and ever; a scepter of justice will be the scepter of your kingdom. You love righteousness and hate wickedness, therefore God, your God, has set you above your companions by anointing you with the oil of joy."

Prophecy Daniel 2:44

"In that time of those kings, the God of heaven will set up a kingdom that will never be destroyed, nor will it be left to another people. It will crush all those kingdoms and bring them to an end, but it will itself endure forever."

Fulfilled *1 Corinthians 15:25-27*

"For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. For he 'has put everything under his feet.' Now when it says that 'everything' has been put under him, it is clear that this does not include God himself, who put everything under Christ."

Only Jesus has visibly risen from the dead and appeared to hundreds of people here on the earth after His resurrection.

He alone stands ready to command an army in heaven and rule over the kingdoms of this world and the world to come when life becomes eternal.

PROPHECY #82 Jesus Messiah Rightfully Named Immanuel by the Angels

Only Savior Messiah Is Rightfully Named Immanuel by the Angels of Heaven.

Prophecy *Isaiah 7:14*

"Therefore, the Lord himself will give you a sign. The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel."

Fulfilled *Matthew 1:20-23*

"But after Joseph had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, 'Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy spirit. She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins.' All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet; The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel (which means 'God with us.')"

PROPHECY #83 Jesus Messiah Would Give True Bread from Heaven

Prophecy *Exodus 16:4*

"Then the Lord said to Moses, 'I will rain down bread from heaven for you. The people are to go out each day and gather enough for that day. In this way I will test them and see whether they will follow my instructions.'"

Fulfilled *John 6:31-35*

"Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written: 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.' Jesus said to them, 'Very truly I tell you. It is not Moses who has given you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father, who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is the bread that comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' Sir, they said, 'always give us this bread.' Then Jesus declared, 'I am the bread of life, whoever comes to me will never go hungry and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. '"

PROPHECY #84 Jesus Messiah Was to be a Prophet Sent from God

Prophecy Deuteronomy 18:18-22

"The Lord said to me, (Moses): I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their fellow Israelites, and I will put my words in his mouth. He will tell them everything I command him. I myself will call to account anyone who does not listen to the words that the prophet speaks in my name. But a prophet who presumes to speak in my name anything I have not commanded, or a prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, is to be put to death. You may say to yourselves, 'How can we know when a message has not been spoken by the Lord?' If what a prophet proclaims in the name of the Lord does not take place or come true, that is message the Lord has not spoken. That prophet has spoken presumptuously. So, do not be alarmed."

Fulfilled Acts 3:19-23

"Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord, and that he may send the Messiah, who has been appointed for you--even Jesus. Heaven must receive him until the time comes for God to restore everything, as he promised long ago through his holy prophets. For Moses said, 'The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you must listen to everything he tells you. Anyone who does not listen to him will be completely cut off from their people.'"

PROPHECY #85 Scriptures Prove Jesus was a Special Prophet from God

Jesus was well aware of this prophecy and spoke about it often. A true prophet who speaks for God will always have what they prophecy come true:

Prophecy Deuteronomy 18:18-22

"I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their fellow Israelites, and I will put my words in his mouth. He will tell them everything I command him. I myself will call to account anyone who does not listen to my words that the prophet speaks in my name. But a prophet who presumes to speak in my name anything I have not commanded, or a prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, is to be put to death." You may say to yourselves, "How can we know when a message has not been spoken by the LORD?" If what a prophet proclaims in the name of the LORD does not take place or come true, that is a message the LORD has not spoken. That prophet has spoken presumptuously, so do not be alarmed."

The following Scriptures prove that Jesus was that special prophet for God.

Fulfilled *John 6:14*

"After the people saw the sign, Jesus performed, they began to say, 'Surely this is the Prophet who is to come into the world.'"

Fulfilled *John 12:49-50*

"For I did not speak on my own, but the Father, who sent me commanded me to say all that I have spoken. I know that his command leads to eternal life. So, whatever I say is just what the Father has told me to say."

Fulfilled *Acts 3:22-23*

"For Moses said, 'The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people, you must listen to everything he tells you. Anyone who does not listen to him will be completely cut off from their people.'"

This prophet was Jesus and He will continue to fulfill all the Scriptures ever spoken about Him, for He only does what the will of the Father is and that is always to speak the truth.

CHAPTER # 10: 'JESUS ALIVE, HEAVEN BOUND'

This Chapter concludes the Pre-Resurrection study of the Prophecies that Jesus fulfilled the last 50 days of His life on His first time coming to earth to live. We have taken a close look at 86 prophecies and today I want to add a few more to that total that were the result of all the other prophecies that were fulfilled during that time.

PROPHECY #86 Jesus Ascended to Heaven and Gave Gifts to Humans

Prophecy *Psalm 68:18*

"When you ascended on high, you took many captives; you received gifts from people, even from the rebellious that you, Lord God, might dwell there."

This was fulfilled in Ephesians which speaks of the triumphant entry of Christ back to heaven.

Fulfilled *Ephesians 4:7-11*

"But to each one of us, grace has been given as Christ apportioned it. This is why it says: 'When he ascended on high, he took many captives and gave gifts to his people. (What does 'he ascended' mean except that he also descended to the lower earthly regions? He who ascended higher than the heavens, in order to fill the whole universe.) So, Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers."

We looked at Christ taking captives captive and giving of gifts; but we did not look at the fact that the ascension of Christ had also been a prophecy that He fulfilled.

Fulfilled *Acts 1:9-11*

"After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight. They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. 'Men of Galilee,' they said, 'why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven."

This led to two great changes in the way that God reached people with His Gospel of salvation. They were both prophesied and Christ fulfilled them both.

PROPHECY #87 Salvation Becomes Available to the Gentiles

The prophecy was clear in Isaiah.

Prophecy *Isaiah 11:10*

“In that day the Root of Jesse will stand as a banner for the peoples; the nations (the Gentiles) will rally to him, and his resting place will be glorious.”

This prophecy and several other prophecies about the expansion of the Gospel to the Gentiles after the coming of the Messiah, is outlined in **Romans 15**.

Fulfillment *Romans 15:16*

“And again, Isaiah says, ‘The Root of Jesse will spring up, one who will arise to rule over the nations; in Him the Gentiles will hope.’”

PROPHECY #88 Jesus Receives Praise from the Gentiles

In that same passage is the prophecy of praise from the Gentiles for the Messiah.

Prophecy *Psalms 18:49*

“Therefore, I will praise you, Lord, among the nations (or Gentiles), I will sing the praises of your name.”

Fulfilled *Romans 15:9*

“And, moreover, that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy.’ As it is written, ‘Therefore I will praise you among the Gentiles, I will sing the praises of your name.’”

PROPHECY #89 Gentiles Rejoice with the Jews

In that same passage is the prophecy that the Gentiles would believe in the Messiah after His ministry and fulfillment of the prophecies. The prophecy is found in Isaiah.

Prophecy *Isaiah 66:10*

“‘Rejoice with Jerusalem and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice greatly with her, all you who mourn over her.’”

Fulfilled *Romans 15:10*

“Again, it says, ‘Rejoice you Gentiles, with his people,’”

PROPHECY #90 Gentiles Will Believe in the Messiah

Gentiles will believe in the Messiah. The prophecy is found in Amos.

Prophecy *Amos 9:11-12*

"In that day I will restore David's fallen shelter. I will repair its broken walls and restore its ruins, and will rebuild it as it used to be."

Fulfilled *Acts 15:13-18*

"When they finished, James spoke up, 'Brothers,' he said, 'listen to me, Simon has described to us how God first intervened to choose a people for his name from the Gentiles. The words of the prophets are in agreement with this, as it is written, 'After this I will return and rebuild David's fallen tent. Its ruins I will rebuild, and I will restore it, that the rest of mankind may seek the Lord, even all the Gentiles who bear my name, says the Lord who does these things.'"

The same prophecy is also found in Isaiah.

Prophecy *Isaiah 65:1*

"I revealed myself to those who did not ask for me; I was found by those who did not seek me, to a nation that did not call on my name, I said, 'Here am I, here am I.'"

Fulfilled *Romans 10:20*

"And Isaiah boldly says, 'I was found by those who did not seek me; I revealed myself to those who did not ask for me.'"

PROPHECY #91 Gentiles Would Come to Worship the Messiah

Gentiles would come to worship the Messiah. The prophecy is found in Isaiah.

Prophecy *Isaiah 60:1-3*

"Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord rises upon you. See, darkness covers the earth and thick darkness is over the peoples, but the Lord rises upon you and his glory appears over you. Nations (OT for Gentiles) will come to your light and kings to the brightness of your dawn."

Fulfilled *Matthew 2:11*

"On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasure and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh."

It was also fulfilled in Romans.

Fulfilled *Romans 15:8-12*

"For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the Jews on behalf of God's truth, so that the promises made to the patriarchs might be confirmed and moreover, that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written: Therefore, I will praise you among the Gentiles, I will sing the praises of your name.' Again, it says, 'Rejoice you Gentiles, with his people.' And again, Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles let all the peoples

extol him.’ And again, Isaiah says, ‘The Root of Jesse will spring up, one who will arise to rule over the nations; in him the Gentiles will hope.’”

These prophecies that tell of the Gospel message being received by the Gentiles clearly disprove what is often said, ‘The Jews rejected Jesus so God had to turn to the Gentiles.’ It is clear from prophecy that God knew the Jews would reject the Messiah, and His plan all along was to offer the Gospel of salvation to both the Jews and the Gentiles.

PROPHECY #92 God Knew the Jews Would Reject Jesus as Messiah

Prophecy *Isaiah 53:1*

“Who has believed our message and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?”

It was Fulfilled in the New Testament in three places:

Fulfilled *John 12:37-38*

“Even after Jesus had performed so many signs in their presence, they still would not believe in him. This was to fulfill the word of Isaiah the prophet: ‘Lord, who has believed our message and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed.’”

Fulfilled *Romans 10:16*

“Not all the Israelites accepted the good news, for Isaiah says, ‘Lord, who has believed our message.’”

Fulfilled *John 12:40-41*

“He has blinded their eyes and hardened their hearts, so they can neither see with their eyes, nor understand with their hearts, nor turn---and I would heal them. Isaiah said this because he saw Jesus’ glory and spoke about him.”

PROPHECY #93 Jesus Would be Rejected by His Own People

In fact, God had already spoken in prophecy that the Messiah, Jesus Christ, would be rejected by his own people. The rejection of Jesus is told in Jewish prophecy:

Prophecy *Isaiah 53:3**

“He was despised and rejected by mankind, a man of suffering, and familiar with pain. Like one from whom people hide their faces he was despised and we held him in low esteem.”

Fulfilled *John 1:11*

“He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him.”

*Isaiah 53 is quoted 35 times in the New Testament and so vividly described Christ and what happened to Him that the chapter is often used in the New Testament letters to prove Jesus was the Messiah, Jesus was the Son of God, and even that Jesus was God.

It is also important for us to realize that the Scriptures are alive with prophesies about the ministry of Jesus Christ and how that would unfold. I want to conclude this part of the prophesies with several of those accurate prophetic descriptions of Jesus.

PROPHECY #94 The Children Would Praise the Messiah

It was prophesied that the children would praise Jesus the Messiah.

Prophecy *Psalms 8:2*

"Through the praise of children and infants you have established a stronghold against your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger."

Fulfilled *Matthew 21:15-16*

"Do you hear what these children are saying,' they asked him. 'Yes, replied Jesus, 'have you never read, from the lips of children and infants you, Lord, have called forth your praise.'"

PROPHECY #95 Jesus Would Teach in Parables

It was prophesied that Jesus would teach in parables.

Prophecy *Psalms 78:2*

"I will open my mouth with a parable, I will utter hidden things, things from of old---"

Fulfilled *Matthew 13:34-35*

"Jesus spoke all these things to the crowd in parables, he did not say anything to them without using a parable. So was fulfilled what was spoken through the prophet: 'I will open my mouth in parables, I will utter things hidden since the creation of the world.'"

PROPHECY #96 Messiah Would Have Passion for God's House, the Temple

It was prophesied that the Messiah would have zeal or passion for God's House, the Temple.

Prophecy *Psalms 69:9*

"For zeal for your house consumes me, and the insults of those who insult you fall on me."

Fulfilled *John 2:14-17*

"In the temple courts he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and others sitting at tables exchanging money. So, he made a whip out of cords, and drove all from the temple courts, both sheep and cattle; he scattered the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. To those who sold doves he said, 'Get out of here! Stop turning my Father's house into a market! His disciples remembered that it is written, 'Zeal for your house will consume me.'"

The characteristics of Messiah/Coming King were also prophesied. There are two prophecies and fulfillments.

PROPHECY #97 God's Throne Will Last for Ever and Ever

Prophecy *Psalms 45:6-7*

"Your throne, O God, will last for ever and ever; a scepter of Justice will be the scepter of your kingdom. You love righteousness and hate wickedness; therefore God, your God, has set you above your companions by anointing you with the oil of joy."

Fulfilled *Hebrews 1:8-9*

"But about the son he says, 'Your throne, Oh God, will last forever and ever; a scepter of justice will be the scepter of your kingdom. You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness; therefore God, your God, has set you above your companions by anointing you with the oil of joy.'"

PROPHECY #98 God Laid the Foundations of the Earth

The second prophecy is in Psalms, which says,

Prophecy *Psalms 102:25-27*

"In the beginning you laid the foundations of the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands. They will perish, but you remain; they will all wear out like a garment, like clothing you will change them and they will be discarded. But you remain the same and your years will never end."

Fulfilled *Hebrews 1:10-12*

"He also says, 'In the beginning, Lord, you laid the foundations of the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands. They will perish but you remain; they will wear out like a garment. You will roll them up like a robe; like a garment they will be changed but you remain the same, and your years will never end.'"

There are many more Prophecies about Jesus as Messiah, as Lord, as the Son of God, as God, and as our Savior/Redeemer. Without a doubt: Jesus was the best One ever to fulfill Scriptures.

CONTROVERSIES CONCERNING THE LAST 50 DAYS OF THE LIFE OF JESUS

I want to deal with some of the controversies that have arisen over the last 50 days of the life of Jesus.

1. Did Jesus Celebrate Passover on Thursday Night Before He Died?

When was the Passover and did the Bible authors make a mistake to say that Jesus celebrated the Passover on the night before He died on Passover?

There is a dilemma about the chronology of the Synoptic Gospels; Matthew, Mark and Luke, vs. the Gospel of John. The first three all declare that Jesus ate the Passover meal with His disciples on Thursday evening and Jesus was crucified on Friday. John says the Sanhedrin leaders, Jerusalem Jews, did not enter the Palace for fear they might be defiled and not able to eat the Passover on the day of the trials of Jesus, **John 18:28**. So, the Jewish leaders had not eaten the Passover but Jesus and His disciples already had. In fact, **John 19:14** says the trial and crucifixion of Jesus occurred on Friday. Christ was actually sacrificed at the same time the Passover lambs were being sacrificed. So, why did Jesus and His disciples eat the Passover on Thursday evening?

The true answer rests in the fact that the Jews of Jesus day calculated time in two different ways. The Jews not in Judah, kept time by the Roman system, sunrise to sunrise and even the Pharisees kept time that way, but the Jews in Judah kept time from sunset to sunset, so the priests and Sadducees, the major part of the Sanhedrin, followed this plan.

Even though it sounds quite confusing to us, it was kept because of the ease it gave to Passover. The priests now had two days to sacrifice all the Passover lambs and the Passover meal could be spread out over two nights. It had the effect of reducing both regional religious clashes and easing the holiday.

So, Jesus and His disciples considered Passover to start at sunrise Thursday and end at sunrise Friday. The men who had Jesus arrested considered Passover to start at sunset on Thursday and end at sunset on Friday. So, Jesus could legally, by the Old Covenant Law, celebrate His last Passover meal with the disciples and still be sacrificed on Passover day.

When you study the details, you see how meticulously God provided for the precise fulfillment of His redemptive plan. Jesus was anything but a victim of men's wicked schemes, much less blind circumstances. Every word He spoke and every action He took were divinely directed and secured. Even the words and actions by others against Him were foreknown by God and prophesied as to what they would be.

John 19:11

“Jesus answered, ‘You would have no power over me if it were not given to you from above. Therefore, the one who handed me over to you is guilty of a greater sin.’”

2. Was Pontius Pilate Prophesied in the Bible?

Was Pontius Pilate prophesied in the Bible and was he really a tortured good guy who was forced to hand Jesus over to the Jews for death?

Pilate was not mentioned in the Bible in a way we could accurately define him. He was the 5th Governor of the Roman province of Judea, and served under Emperor Tiberius from 26-27 BC to 36-37 AD. He was included in the Apostles and Nicene Creeds and since he is seen as a reluctant man to have Jesus killed, the Coptic and Ethiopian Churches believe that he became a Christian and actually venerate him as a martyr and a saint.

History has not been as kind. We have a single inscription from the time he was governor, and some coins he minted. Josephus and Philo of Alexandria both mention times of tension and violence between the Jewish population and Pilate’s administration. He often offended the religious sensibilities of the Jews. The Gospels record that Pilate ordered the crucifixion of Jesus during his reign in office and Josephus says he was removed from office because he violently suppressed an armed Samaritan movement. He was called back to Rome to answer for his actions but Tiberius died and the results were not known.

In the writings of the Early Middle Ages, he became a focus of a large group of Eastern Christians and was portrayed as a positive figure and also a Christian martyr. In the Western world at that time, he was portrayed as a cowardly villain who committed suicide. None of the Middle Ages writers present verifiable facts. Several prophesy passages of the Old Testament tell of harsh and terrible treatment of the suffering servant, Jesus, but none spell out a Roman leader in the midst of the suffering.

3. Did People Really Rise from the Grave After Jesus Died?

Did people really rise from the grave after Jesus died and what happened to them? The Passage is from Matthew.

Matthew 27:51-53

“At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom, the earth shook, the rocks split, and the tombs broke open. The bodies of many holy people who had died were raised to life. They came out of the tombs after Jesus’ resurrection and went into the holy city and appeared to many people.”

Matthew is the only Gospel writer who records this miraculous event.

The death of Jesus produced three great phenomena:

- a. The Temple veil, covering the Holy of Holies was torn from top to bottom, a 60-foot-tall curtain that was 30-feet-wide and a hand-width-thick.
- b. The earth quaked and the rocks shook and shattered—Jerusalem sits on a mountain.
- c. The bodies of holy people were raised and after the resurrection of Jesus, they left their tombs and appeared to many people in Jerusalem. Nothing more is said about these people, so it is very likely they left the earth quickly. They evidently were given a glorious body so people could see them—not unlike the body of Jesus after His resurrection. This was a sign and a reward for these righteous holy people and I feel they ascended on to glory.

OUR TRADITIONS OF EASTER: SECULAR OR SCRIPTURAL?

1. **Dating the Holiday:** It was set by the Council of Nicaea in 325 to separate it and set it apart from the Jewish Passover. It does not follow the Bible.
2. **Name of the Holiday:** It was the Resurrection Day until the 7th/8th century when it was used to combine with the German fertility festival to the goddess Eastre to the resurrection by Venerable Bede. Some feel it was from the child born from Ishtar and Nimrod, Tammuz, who died and was believed to be resurrected from the Euphrates River, from the sun worship of the Babylonians. Ishtar became the European name of Eastre. Biblically, it was always The Resurrection Day.
3. **Easter Egg Hunts:** A part of pagan festivals celebrating fertility. The rolling of eggs was to represent the human involvement in fertility.
4. **Lenten Season:** Added by the Church as early as 100 AD and at first lasted 2-3 days. Council of Nicaea made it a 40 day fast, but never gave a Scriptural reason.
5. **Easter Vigil, Easter Eve, or Holy Saturday** There is no mention even in early history. All were added in medieval times.
6. **Sunrise Service:** Practiced by many Churches as early as the First Century.
7. **Easter Bunny:** One more sign of spring fertility.
8. **Eating Eggs on Easter Sunday:** A part of the early Feast of Resurrection and enhanced later because many gave up eggs for the Lenten Season

9. **Easter Lilies:** Lilies were chosen as the flower for Resurrection because it was a common belief that they grew in the garden where Jesus was buried.
10. **Cross as the Focus:** From the start of the Church, the cross was a valuable part of the Resurrection observance. It was an empty cross not a crucifix for centuries.
11. **Others:** Some are just too silly to think they might have any Scriptural reference or Church historical precedence.
 - a. **Ham** as the Easter meat.
 - b. **Bunnies** laying or delivering eggs—so weird to the Australians that they have other mammals deliver the eggs.
 - c. **Easter Parades**
 - d. **Easter Bonnets** - In the New Testament time the focus was on men not wearing head coverings, a change from the Jewish tradition and women wearing simple head coverings to praise God. *1 Corinthians 11:2-16*

My prayer is that all who read this are spiritually primed to have one of the best Resurrection Seasons in your life. Jesus fulfilled so many prophecies in His last 50 days on the earth; after He had fulfilled Scriptures about His coming the first time, the Incarnation; and even how He would conduct His ministry while He was here on earth. With well over 80 fulfilled Scriptures in this study, the name of the study is very accurate.

"Fulfilling Bible Prophecies—Jesus Did It best!"

APPENDIX 'A'

PROPHECIES AND FULFILLMENTS

DEATH, BURIAL, RESURRECTION AND ASCENSION

OF

JESUS CHRIST, MESSIAH

FULFILLING PROPHECIES OF JESUS LAST 50 DAYS ON EARTH

FULFILLING BIBLE PROPHECIES - JESUS DID IT BEST

CHAPTER #1 JESUS CAME JUST AS PROMISED

#1 MESSIAH WAS HUMAN

Prophecy *Genesis 3:15* - *"And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers, he will crush your head and you will strike his heel."*

Fulfilled *Hebrews 2:14-15* - *"Since the children have flesh and blood, he too shared in their humanity so that by his death he might break the power of him who holds the power of death—that is, the devil, and free those who all of their lives were held in slavery by their fear of death."*

#2 GOD CARES FOR HUMAN BEINGS

Prophecy *Psalms 144:3*

"Lord, what are human beings that you care for them, mere mortals that you think of them?"

Fulfilled *Hebrews 2:6-9*

"What is mankind that you are mindful of them, a son of man that you care for him? You made them a little lower than the angels; you crowned them with glory and honor, and put everything under their feet."

#3 GOD BRINGS SALVATION TO THE GENTILES

Prophecy *Isaiah 11:10*

"In that day, the Root of Jesse, will stand as a banner for the peoples; the nations will rally to him, and his resting place will be glorious."

Fulfilled *Acts 11:18*

"When they heard this, they had no further objections and praised God, saying, 'So then, even to Gentiles God has granted repentance that leads to life.'"

#4 MESSIAH DAVID'S ANCESTOR

Prophecy *Amos 9:11-12*

"In that day I will restore David's fallen shelter, I will repair its broken walls and restore its ruins—and will rebuild it as it used to be, so that they may possess the remnant of Edom and all the nations that bear my name, declares the Lord who will do these things."

Fulfilled *Romans 15:12*

"The Root of Jesse will spring up, one who will arise to rule over the nations; in him the Gentiles will hope."

#5 JESUS, MESSIAH LIGHT UNTO THE GENTILES

Prophecy *Isaiah 49:6*

"It is too small a thing for you to be my servant to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back those of Israel I have kept. I will also make you a light for the Gentiles, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth."

Fulfilled *Acts 13:46-47*

"We had to speak the word of God to you first. Since you reject it and do not consider yourselves worthy of eternal life, we now turn to the Gentiles, for this is what the Lord has commanded us, 'I have made you a light for the Gentiles, that you may bring salvation to the ends of the earth.'"

FULFILLING PROPHECIES OF JESUS LAST 50 DAYS ON EARTH

#6 MESSIAH REVELED TO THE GENTILES

Prophecy *Isaiah 65:1*

"I revealed myself to those who did not ask for me; I was found by those who did not seek me. To a nation that did not call on my name, I said, 'here am I, here am I.'"

Fulfilled *Romans 10:20*

"And Isaiah boldly says, 'I was found by those who did not seek me; I revealed myself to those who did not ask for me.'"

#7 TEACHING OF THE PASSOVER

Prophecy *Exodus 12:12-13*

"On that same night I will pass through Egypt and strike down every firstborn of both people and animals, and I will bring judgment on all the gods of Egypt. I am the Lord. The blood will be a sign for you on the houses where you are, and when I see the blood, I will pass over you. No destructive plague will touch you when I strike Egypt."

Fulfilled *I Corinthians 5:7*

"Get rid of the old yeast, so that you may be a new unleavened batch—as you really are. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed."

#8 JESUS, BLOOD SACRIFICE

Prophecy *Exodus 24:8*

"This is the blood of the covenant that the Lord has made with you in accordance with all these words."

Fulfilled *Hebrews 9:13-14*

"The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer sprinkled on those who are ceremonially unclean sanctify them so that they are outwardly clean. How much more, then will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself, unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from the acts that lead to death, so that we may serve the living God."

#9 JESUS, ATONING SACRIFICE FOR SIN

Prophecy *Leviticus 16:15-17*

"He shall then slaughter the goat for the sin offering for the people and take its blood behind the curtain and do with it as he did with the bull's blood: He shall sprinkle it on the atonement cover and in front of it. In this way, he will make atonement for the Most Holy Place because of the sins."

Fulfilled *I John 2:2*

"I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have an advocate with the Father—Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world."

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#10 70 WEEKS OF DANIEL TIMELINE**Prophecy *Daniel 9:25-26***

It said, (10) "Know and understand this: From the time the word goes out to restore and rebuild Jerusalem until the Anointed One, the ruler comes, there will be seven sevens, and sixty-two sevens. It will be rebuilt with streets and a trench, but in times of trouble. After the sixty-two sevens, the Anointed One will be put to death and will have nothing. The people of the ruler who will come will destroy the city and the sanctuary. The end will come like a flood: War will continue until the end, and desolation have been decreed."

Fulfilled *Matthew 21:10-11*

"When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, "Who is this?" The crowds answered, "This is Jesus, the Prophet from Nazareth in Galilee."

"Prophet" is another term for Messiah

#11 TRIUMPHANT ENTRY INTO JERUSALEM**Prophecy *Zechariah 9:9***

"Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion!" Shout, Daughter Jerusalem! See your king comes to you., righteous and victorious, lowly and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey."

Fulfilled *John 12:12-15*

12 The next day the great crowd that had come for the festival heard that Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem. 13 They took palm branches and went out to meet him, shouting, "Hosanna!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Blessed is the king of Israel!" 14 Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, as it is written: 15 "Do not be afraid, Daughter Zion; see, your king is coming, seated on a donkey's colt."

#12 FIRST COMING OF JESUS**Prophecy *Zechariah 9:10***

"I will take the chariots from Ephraim and the warhorses from Jerusalem and the battle bow will be broken. He will proclaim peace to the nations. His rule will extend from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth."

Fulfilled *Luke 1:32-33*

"He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over Jacob's descendants forever; his kingdom will never end."

#13 JESUS THRONE WILL BE ESTABLISHED FOREVER**Prophecy *I Chronicles 17:14***

"I will set him over my house and my kingdom forever, His throne will be established forever."

Fulfilled *Luke 1:32-33*

"He will be great and will be called he Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over Jacob's descendants forever, his kingdom will never end."

FULFILLING PROPHECIES OF JESUS LAST 50 DAYS ON EARTH

#14 JESUS MESSIAH ENTERS JERUSALEM ON A DONKEY

Prophecy ***Zechariah 9:9***

"Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion! Shout, Daughter Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you, righteous and victorious, lowly and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey".

Fulfilled ***Matthew 21:1-5***

"As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, 'Go to the village ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied there, with her colt by her. Untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, say that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away.' This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet: 'Say to Daughter Zion, 'See, your king comes to you, gentle and riding on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.' "

#15 PEOPLE PRAISE JESUS

Prophecy ***Psalms 118:25-26***

"Lord, save us! (Hosanna) Lord, grant us success! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, From the house of the Lord, we bless you."

Fulfilled ***Matthew 21:8-11***

"A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted, 'Hosanna to the Son of David!' 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!' 'Hosanna in the highest heaven!' When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, 'Who is this?' The crowds answered, 'This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee.'"

#16 JESUS DESPISED & REJECTED BY MANKIND

Prophecy ***Isaiah 53:3***

"He was despised and rejected by mankind, a man of suffering, and familiar with pain. Like one from whom people hide their faces he was despised and we held him in low esteem."

Fulfilled ***Isaiah 53:11***

"After he has suffered, he will see the light of life and be satisfied; by his knowledge my righteous servant will justify many, and he will bear their iniquities (sins)."

Fulfilled ***Matthew 26:37-38***

"He took Peter and the two sons of Zebedee along with Him, and he began to be sorrowful and troubled. Then he said to them, 'My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death. Stay here and keep watch with me.'"

Fulfilled ***Hebrews 9:27-28***

"Just as people are destined to die once, and after that to face judgment, so Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many; and he will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for him."

FULFILLING PROPHECIES OF JESUS LAST 50 DAYS ON EARTH

CHAPTER 2 "JESUS WAS BETRAYED BY MANY"

PROPHECY #17 JESUS BETRAYED BY JUDAS

Prophecy *Psalms 41:9*

"Even my close friend, someone I trusted, one who shared my bread, has turned against me."

Psalms 55:12-14

"If an enemy were insulting me, I could endure it; if a foe were rising against me, I could hide. But it was you, a man like myself, my companion, my close friend, with whom I once enjoyed sweet fellowship at the house of God, as we walked about among the worshippers."

Fulfilled *John 13:18*

"I am not referring to all of you; I know those who I have chosen. But this is to fulfill this passage of Scripture. He who shared my bread has turned against me."

Fulfilled *Matthew 26:20-25*

20 When evening came, Jesus was reclining at the table with the Twelve. 21 And while they were eating, he said, "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me."

PROPHECY # 18 REPLACEMENT OF JUDAS AS A DISCIPLE

Prophecy *Psalms 69:25*

"May their place be deserted; let there be no one to dwell in their tents."

Prophecy *Psalms 109:8* *"May his days be few; may another take his place of leadership."*

Fulfilled *Act 1:21*

"Therefore, it is necessary to choose one of the men who have been with us the whole time the Lord Jesus was living among us."

PROPHECY # 19 RANSOM AMOUNT FOR BETRAYAL

Prophecy *Zechariah 11:12*

"If you think it best, give me my pay, but if not, keep it." So, they paid me thirty pieces of silver."

Fulfilled *Matthew 26:14-15,*

"Then one of the Twelve, the one called Judas Iscariot; went to the chief priests and asked, 'What are you willing to give me if I deliver him over to you?' So, they counted out for him thirty pieces of silver." From then on Judas watched for an opportunity to hand him over."

PROPHECY # 20 WHERE THE BETRAYAL MONEY WAS SPENT

Prophecy *Zechariah 11:13*

"And the Lord said to me, 'Throw it to the potter'—the handsome price at which they valued me! So, I took the silver and threw them to the potter at the house of the Lord."

Fulfilled *Matthew 27:3-7*

3 When Judas, who had betrayed him, saw that Jesus was condemned, he was seized with remorse and returned the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and the elders. 4 "I have sinned," he said, "for I have betrayed innocent blood." "What is that to us?" they replied. "That's your responsibility." 5 So Judas threw the money into the temple and left. Then he went away and hanged himself. 6 The chief priests picked up the coins and said, "It is against the law to put this into the treasury, since it is blood money." 7 So they decided to use the money to buy the potter's field as a burial place for foreigners.

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PROPHECY # 21 A FIELD IS BOUGHT WITH BETRAYAL MONEY

Prophecy **Jeremiah 32:6-9**

"Jeremiah said, 'The word of the Lord came to me. Hanamel son of Shallum your uncle is going to come to you and say, buy my field at Anathoth, because as nearest relative it is your right and duty to buy it.' Then, just as the Lord had said, my cousin Hanamel came to me in the courtyard of the guard and said, 'Buy my field at Anathoth in the territory of Benjamin. Since it is your right to redeem it and possess it, buy it for yourself.'"

Fulfilled **Acts 1:18**

"With the payment he received for his wickedness, Judas bought a field, there he fell headlong, his body burst open and all of his intestines spilled out. Everyone in Jerusalem heard about this, so they called that field in their language, Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood."

PROPHECY # 22 JESUS FORSAKEN BY DISCIPLES

Prophecy **Zechariah 13:7**

"Awake, sword, against my shepherd, against the man who is close to me! Declares the Lord Almighty. Strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered, and I will turn my hand against the little ones."

Prophecy **Isaiah 53:10**

"Yet it was the Lord's will be crush him and cause him to suffer, and though the Lord makes his life an offering for sin, he will see his offspring and prolong his days, and the will of the lord will prosper in his hand."

Fulfilled **Mathew 26:31-35**

"Then Jesus said, 'This very night you will all fall away on account of me, for it is written: 'I will strike the shepherd and the sheep of the flock will be scattered. But after I have risen, I will go ahead of you into Galilee.' Peter replied, 'Even if all fall away on account of you, I never will.' 'Truly I tell you,' Jesus answered, 'this very night, before the rooster crows you will disown me three times.' But Peter declared, 'Even if I have to die with you. I will never disown you.' And all the other disciples said the same."

FULFILLING PROPHECIES OF JESUS LAST 50 DAYS ON EARTH

CHAPTER #3 JESUS DELIBERATELY HUMILIATED

PROPHECY # 23 ALL ACCUSATIONS AGAINST JESUS MADE BY FALSE WITNESSES

Prophecy *Psalms 35:11-12*

"Ruthless witnesses come forward: they question me on things I know nothing about. They repay me with evil for good."

Fulfilled *Matthew 26:59-63*

"The chief priests and the whole Sanhedrin were looking for false evidence against Jesus so that they could put him to death. But they did not find any, though many false witnesses came forward. Finally, two came forward and declared, 'This fellow said, 'I am able to destroy the temple of God and rebuild it in three days.' Then the high priest stood up and said to Jesus, 'are you not going to answer? What is this testimony that these men are bringing against you?'"

Fulfilled *Mark 14:55-59*

"The chief priests and the whole Sanhedrin were looking for evidence against Jesus so that they could put him to death, but they did not find any. Many testified falsely against him, but their statements did not agree. Then some stood up and gave this false testimony against him, 'We heard him say, 'I will destroy this temple made with human hands and in three days will build another, not made with hands.' YET EVEN THEN THEIR TESTIMONY DID NOT AGREE."

PROPHECY # 24 TWO WITNESSES DISTORT WHAT JESUS SAID AND MEANT

Prophecy *Psalms 69:9*

"For zeal for your house consumes me, and the insults of those who insult you fall on me."

Fulfilled *John 2:16-22*

"Get these out of here! Stop turning my Father's house into a market!" (His disciples remembered the prophecy in Psalm 69:9 and said, "It is written, 'Zeal for your house will consume me.'"

PROPHECY # 25 MESSIAH TO BE RAISED FROM THE DEAD

Prophecy *Psalms 16:10*

"Because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead, nor will you let your faithful one see decay."

Fulfilled *I Corinthians 15:4-5*

"For what I received, I passed on to you as of first importance; that Christ died for our sins according to the Scripture, (Matthew 16:21, Acts 2:25, 30-32); that He was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, (Luke 24:34; Mark 16:14; Luke 24:36-43), that he appeared to Cephas, and then to the twelve."

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PROPHECY # 26 JESUS WOULD BE SILENT IN HIS DEFENSE

Prophecy *Isaiah 53:7*

"He was oppressed and afflicted yet he did not open his mouth, he was led like a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth."

Fulfilled *Matthew 27:14*

"But Jesus made no reply, not even to a single charge—to the great amazement of the governor."

Fulfilled *1 Peter 2:23*

"When they hurled their insults at him, he did not retaliate; when he suffered, he made no threats. Instead, he trusted himself to him who judges justly."

PROPHECY # 27 JESUS HUMILIATION WAS MORE THAN JUST VERBAL

Prophecy *Isaiah 50:6*

"I offered my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who pulled out my beard; I did not hide my face from mocking and spitting."

Fulfilled *Matthew 26:64-68*

"'You have said so,' Jesus replied, 'But I say to all of you; from now on you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Mighty One and coming on the clouds of heaven.'" Then the high priest tore his clothes and said, 'He has spoken blasphemy! Why do we need any more witnesses? Look, now you have heard the blasphemy. 'What do you think?' 'He is worthy of death,' they answered. Then they spit on his face and struck him with their fists. Others slapped him and said, 'Prophecy to us, Messiah Who hit you?'"

PROPHECY # 28 PHYSICAL HUMILIATION CONTINUED - JESUS SLAPPED

Prophecy *Micah 5:1*

"Marshal your troops now, city of troops, for a siege is laid against us, they will strike Israel's ruler on the cheek with a rod."

Fulfilled *Matthew 26:67* by the Sanhedrin

"Then they spit in his face and struck him with their fists. Others slapped him."

Fulfilled *Mark 15:16-20* by the Soldiers

"The soldiers led Jesus away into the palace (that is, the Praetorium) and called together the whole company of soldiers. 17 They put a purple robe on him, then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on him. 18 And they began to call out to him, 'Hail, king of the Jews!' 19 Again and again they struck him on the head with a staff and spit on him. Falling on their knees, they paid homage to him. 20 And when they had mocked him, they took off the purple robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him."

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PROPHECY # 29 PHYSICAL HUMILIATION CONTINUED - JESUS SCOURGED

Prophecy *Isaiah 50:6*

"I offered my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who pulled out my beard; I did not hide my face from those who beat me."

Prophecy *Isaiah 53:5*

"But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities, the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed."

Fulfilled *Matthew 27:26*

"Then he released Barabbas to them. But he had Jesus flogged, and handed him over to be crucified".

PROPHECY # 30 PHYSICAL HUMILIATION CONTINUED - JESUS FACE DISFIGURED

Prophecy *Isaiah 52:14*

"Just as there were many who were appalled at him—his appearance was so disfigured beyond that of any human being and his form marred beyond human likeness."

Fulfilled *Matthew 27:26*

"Then he released Barabbas to them. But he had Jesus flogged, and handed him over to be crucified."
It was also fulfilled in the facial beating by the soldiers in:

Fulfilled *Matthew 27:30*

"They spit on him, and took the staff and struck him on the head again and again."

FULFILLING PROPHECIES OF JESUS LAST 50 DAYS ON EARTH

PROPHECY # 31 JESUS COMPLETELY AND TOTALLY HUMILIATED

Prophecy **Psalm 22:6-8**

"But I am a worm and not a man, scorned by everyone, despised by the people. All who see me mock me, they hurl insults, shaking their heads. 'He trusts in the Lord,' they say, 'let the Lord rescue him. Let him deliver him, since he delights in him.'"

Prophecy **Psalm 22:16-18**

"Dogs surround me, a pack of villains encircles me, they pierce my hands and my feet. All my bones are on display, people stare and gloat over me. They divide my clothes among them and cast lots for my garment."

Prophecy **Psalm 22:24**

"For he has not despised or scorned the suffering of the afflicted one, he has not hidden his face from him but has listened to his cry for help."

Fulfilled **Mark 15:17-18** Soldiers Mocked Jesus

"The soldiers led Jesus away into the palace They put a purple robe on him, then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on him. And they began to call out to him, 'Hail, king of the Jews!' ,

Fulfilled **Luke 23:35** Jewish leaders mocked **Jesus**

They said, 'He saved others; let him save himself if he is God's Messiah, the Chosen One.' The crowd, the Chief Priests, the teachers of the law-Pharisees, the elders of the tribes and even the thieves crucified with Him insulted Him.

Fulfilled **Matthew 27:39-44**

"Those who passed by hurled insults at him, shaking their heads and saying, 'You who are going to destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! Come down from the cross, if you are the Son of God!' In the same way the chief priests, the teachers of the law and the elders mocked him. 'He saved others,' they said, 'but he can't save himself! He's the king of Israel! Let him come down now from the cross, and we will believe in him. He trusts in God. Let God rescue him now if he wants him, for he said, 'I am the Son of God.' "

PROPHECY # 32 JESUS CLOTHES WERE DIVIDED AMONG CRUSIFICATION TEAM

Prophecy **Psalm 122:18**

"They divide my clothes among them and cast lots for my garment."

Fulfilled **John 19:22-24**

"When the soldiers crucified Jesus, they took His clothes, dividing them into four shares, one for each of them, with the undergarment remaining. This garment was seamless, woven in one piece from top to bottom. 'Let's not tear it,' they said to one another. 'Let's decide by lot who will get it.' This happened that the scripture might be fulfilled that said, 'They divided my clothes among them and cast lots for my garment.' So, this is what the soldiers did."

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CHAPTER 4 "THE DAY JESUS DIED - FINISHED COMPLETELY"

PROPHECY # 33 JESUS GIVES UP LIFE AS A SACRIFICE

Prophecy Psalm 22:14-15

"I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint. My heart has turned to wax, it has melted within me. My mouth is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth; you lay me in the dust of death."

Prophecy Psalm 22:1

"My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from saving me, so far from my cries of anguish?"

Fulfilled Matthew 27:46

"About three in the afternoon Jesus cried out in a loud voice, 'Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?' which means, 'My God, My God, why have you forsaken me?'"

PROPHECY # 34 ALL THE ENERGY IS TAKEN OUT OF CHRIST JESUS

Prophecy Psalm 109:22-25

"For I am poor and needy, and my heart is wounded within me. I fade away like an evening shadow; I am shaken off like a locust. My knees give way from fasting; my body is thin and gaunt. I am an object of scorn to my accusers; when they see me, they shake their heads."

Fulfilled Luke 23:26

"As the soldiers led him away, they seized Simon from Cyrene, who was on his way in from the country, and put the cross on him and made him carry it behind Jesus."

Fulfilled Hebrews 4:15

"For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are, yet he did not sin."

PROPHECY # 35 JESUS WAS RIDICULED, WOUNDED & PIERCED

Prophecy Psalm 22:16

"Dogs surround me, a pack of villains encircles me; they pierce my hands and my feet."

Prophecy Zechariah 13:6-7

"If someone asks, 'What are these wounds on your body?' they will answer, 'The wounds I was given at the house of my friends.' 'Awake, sword, against my shepherd, against the man who is close to me!' declares the LORD Almighty. 'Strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered, and I will turn my hand against the little ones.'"

Fulfilled Luke 23:33

"When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him there, along with the criminals—one on his right and other on his left."

Other Verses: **Matthew 27:38; Mark 15:27; John 19:18.**

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PROPHECY # 36 JESUS WAS CRUCIFIED WITH SINNERS

Prophecy *Isaiah 53:12*

"Therefore, I will give him a portion among the great, and he will divide the spoils with the strong, because he poured out his life unto death, and was numbered among the sinners (transgressors). For he bore the sin of many and made intercession for the transgressors."

Fulfilled *Luke 23:32-33*

"Two other men, both criminals, were also led out with him to be executed. When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him there, along with the criminals, one on his right, the other on his left."

Fulfilled *Luke 27:37*

"It is written: 'And he was numbered with the transgressors, and I tell you that this must be fulfilled in me. Yes, what is written about me is reaching its fulfillment.'"

PROPHECY # 37 JESUS THE TARGET OF SCORN & RIDICULE

Prophecy *Psalms 22:6-8*

"But I am a worm, and not a man, scorned by everyone, despised by the people. All who see me mock me, they hurl insults, shaking their heads. 'He trusts in the Lord,' they say, 'let the Lord rescue him. Let him deliver him since he delights in him.'"

Prophecy *Psalms 69:20*

"Scorn has broken my heart and has left me helpless; I looked for sympathy, but there was none, for comforters, but I found none."

Prophecy *Psalms 109:25*

"I am an object of scorn to my accusers; when they see me, they shake their heads."

Fulfilled *Luke 23:49*

"But all those who knew him, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things."

Fulfilled *Matthew 27:39-44*

"Those who passed by hurled insults at him, shaking their heads and saying, 'You who are going to destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! Come down from the cross, if you are the Son of God!' In the same way the chief priests, the teachers of the law and the elders mocked him. 'He saved others,' they said, 'but He can't save Himself! If He's the king of Israel. Let him come down from the cross, and we will believe in him. He trusts in God. Let God rescue Him now if he wants Him, for he said, 'I am the Son of God; In the same way the rebels who were crucified with him also heaped insults on him.'"

See also, *Luke 23:35-36, 39.*

PROPHECY # 38 JESUS WOULD THIRST AT DEATH

Prophecy *Psalms 22:15*

"My mouth is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth, you lay me in the dust of death."

Prophecy *Psalms 69:3-4*

Prophecy "I am worn out calling for help; my throat is parched. My eyes fail, looking for my God."

Fulfilled *John 19:28*

"Later, knowing that everything had now been finished, and so that Scripture would be fulfilled, 'Jesus said, 'I thirst.' A jar of wine vinegar was there, so they soaked a sponge in it, put the sponge on a stalk of the hyssop plant, and lifted it to Jesus' lips. When he had received the drink. Jesus said, 'it is finished.' With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit."

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PROPHECY # 39 JESUS OFFERED GALL & CHEAP VINEGAR WINE FOR THIRST

Prophecy *Psalm 69:21*

"They put gall in my food and gave me vinegar for my thirst."

Fulfilled *Matthew 27:47-48*

"When some of those standing there heard this, they said, 'He's calling Elijah.' Immediately one of them ran and got a sponge. He filled it with wine vinegar, put it on a staff, and offered it to Jesus to drink."

Fulfilled *Mark 15:35-36*

"When some of those standing near heard this, they said, 'Listen, he's calling Elijah.' Someone ran, filled a sponge with wine vinegar, put it on a staff, and offered it to Jesus to drink. 'Now leave him alone. Let's see if Elijah comes to take him down.'"

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CHAPTER 5 "JESUS PROPHECIED TO DIE ALONE AND HE DID"

PROPHECY # 40 JESUS DIED ALONE AT THE CRUCIFIXION

Prophecy Psalm 38:11

"My friends and companions avoid me because of my wounds; my neighbors stay far away."

Fulfilled Mathew 27:55-56

"Many women were there watching from a distance. They had followed Jesus from Galilee to care for his needs. Among them were Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and the mother of Zebedee's sons."

Other Verses: Luke 23:49, Mark 15:47

PROPHECY # 41 PEOPLE TAUNTED AND STARED AT JESUS ON THE CROSS

Prophecy Psalm 22:17

"All my bones are on display; people stare and gloat over me."

Fulfilled Luke 23:35

"The people stood watching and the leaders even sneered at him. They said, 'He saved others; let him save himself, if he is God's Messiah, the Chosen One.'"

PROPHECY # 42 JESUS CLOTHES DIVIDED

Prophecy Psalms 22:18

"They divide my clothes among them, and cast lots for my garment."

Fulfilled John 19:23

"When the soldiers crucified Jesus, they took his clothes, dividing them into four shares, one for each of them, with the undergarment remaining. This garment was seamless, woven in one piece from top to bottom."

See Also Matthew 7:35, Mark 15:24, Luke 23:24

PROPHECY # 43 A NON-ECLIPSE DARKNESS OCCURRED DURING THE DAY

Prophecy Amos 8:9

"In that day, declares the Sovereign Lord, I will make the sun go down at noon and darken the earth in broad daylight."

Fulfilled Matthew 27:45

"From noon until three in the afternoon darkness came over all the land."

Fulfilled Luke 23:44-45

"It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, for the sun stopped shining. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two."

PROPHECY # 44 JESUS WAS SEPARATED FROM GOD THE FATHER

Prophecy Psalm 22:1

"My God, my God, why have you forsaken me! Why are so far from saving me, so far from the cries of my anguish?"

Fulfilled Matthew 27:26

"About three in the afternoon Jesus cried out with a loud voice, 'Eli, Eli, lema sabachtani' (which means, 'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?')"

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PROPHECY # 45 JESUS PRAYED FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF OTHERS

Prophecy *Psalm 109:4-5*

"In return for my friendship they accuse me, but I am a man of prayer. They repay me evil for good, and hatred for my friendship."

Prophecy *Isaiah 53:12*

"Therefore, I will give him a portion among the great, and he will divide the spoils with the strong, because he poured out his life unto death, and was numbered with the transgressors. For he bore the sin of many and made intercession for transgressors."

Fulfilled *Luke 23:34*

"Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.' And they divided up his clothes by casting lots."

PROPHECY # 46 JESUS PROCLAIMS 'IT IS FINISHED'

Prophecy *Psalm 22:31*

"They will proclaim His righteousness, declaring to a people yet unborn; He has done it!"

Fulfilled *John 19:30,*

"When he had received the drink, Jesus said, 'It is finished.' With that he bowed his head and gave up his spirit."

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CHAPTER 6 "JESUS DIED BUT WAS NOT DEFEATED - PART I"

PROPHECY # 47 JESUS WOULD GIVE UP HIS SPIRIT VOLUNTARILY

Prophecy Psalm 31:5

"Into your hands I commit my spirit; deliver me, LORD, my faithful God."

Fulfilled Luke 23:46

"Jesus called out with a loud voice, 'Father, into your hands I commit my spirit.' When he had said this, he breathed his last."

Fulfilled Matthew 27:50

"And when Jesus had cried out again in a loud voice, he gave up his spirit."

Fulfilled John 10:17-18

"The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life—only to take it up again. 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"

PROPHECY # 48 JESUS, NO BONE WAS BROKEN AT THE CRUSIFIXION

Prophecy Psalm 34:20

"He protects all of his bones, not one of them will be broken."

Prophecy Exodus 12:46-47

"It (the meal) must be eaten inside the house: take none of the meat outside the house. Do not break any of the bones. The whole community of Israel must celebrate it."

Prophecy Numbers 9:12

"They must not leave any of it till morning or break any of its bones. When they celebrated the Passover, they must follow all the regulations."

Fulfilled John 19:32-33

"The soldiers therefore came and broke the legs of the first man who had been crucified with Jesus, and then those of the other. But when they came to Jesus and found that he was already dead, they did not break his legs."

PROPHECY # 49 JESUS BECAME FIRST FRUITS FOR ALL WHO HAVE DIED

Prophecy Exodus 34:22 NASB20

"And you shall celebrate the Feast of Weeks, [that is,] the first fruits of the wheat harvest, and the Feast of Ingathering at the turn of the year."

Fulfilled I Corinthians 15:20-23

"But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. But each in turn: Christ, the first fruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him."

FULFILLING PROPHECIES OF JESUS LAST 50 DAYS ON EARTH

PROPHECY # 50 JOY & THANKFULNESS FOR THE LORDS'S BLESSING OF THE HARVEST

Prophecy *Deuteronomy 16:15*

For seven days celebrate the festival to the LORD your God at the place the LORD will choose. For the LORD your God will bless you in all your harvest and in all the work of your hands, and your joy will be complete.

Fulfilled *Acts 2:1-4*

"When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from the heavens and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them."

PROPHECY # 51 JESUS WAS FLAWLESS

Prophecy *Exodus 12:5*

"The animals you chose must be year old males without defect, and you may take them from the sheep or the goats."

Fulfilled *John 18:38* - Legally

"What is truth?" retorted Pilate. With this he went out again to the Jews gathered there and said, 'I find no basis for a charge against Him.'"

Fulfilled *Hebrews 4:15* Without Sin—Morally Without Defect

"For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are---yet he did not sin."

PROPHECY # 52 JESUS HAD TO DIE

Prophecy *Exodus 12:21*

"Then Moses summoned all the elders of Israel and said to them. 'Go at once and select the animals for your families and slaughter the Passover lamb.'"

Fulfilled *Revelation 5:6, 9-10*

"Then I saw a Lamb, looking as if it had been slain, standing in the center of the throne, encircled by the four living creatures and the elders. The Lamb had seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth." . . . "And they (the elders) sang a new song, saying: 'You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased for God persons from every tribe and language and people and nation. You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God, and they will reign on the earth.'"

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PROPHECY # 53 JESUS DID NOT RESIST

Prophecy *Isaiah 53:7*

"He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; he was led like a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth."

Fulfilled *Matthew 27:30-31*

"They spit on him, and took the staff and struck him on the head again and again. After they had mocked him, they took off the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him."

PROPHECY # 54 JESUS WAS A SUBSTITUTE

Prophecy *Exodus 12:3*

"Tell the whole community of Israel that on the tenth day of this month each man is to take a lamb for his family, one for each household."

Fulfilled *John 1:29*

"The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, 'Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!'"

PROPHECY # 55 JESUS SHED BLOOD, THE POWER TO SAVE

Prophecy *Exodus 12:22-23*

"Take a bunch of hyssops, dip it in the basin of blood from the lamb and put some of the blood on the top and on both sides of the doorframe. None of you shall go out of the door of your house until morning. When the Lord goes through the land to strike down the Egyptians, he will see the blood on the top and sides of the doorframe and will pass over that doorway and he will not permit the destroyer to enter your houses and strike you down."

Fulfilled *1 Peter 1:18-19*

"For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold or that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors. But with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect."

PROPHECY # 56 JESUS SAVES THOSE WHO TRUST HIM

Prophecy *Isaiah 8:17*

"He saves those who trust Him and apply His blood—symbolically and by faith, to the doorframes of their heart."

Fulfilled *Hebrews 2:13 by Christ*

And again, "I will put my trust in him." And again, he says, "Here am I, and the children God has given me."

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PROPHECY # 57 JESUS WAS PIERCED ONLY AFTER HIS DEATH

Prophecy ***Zechariah 12:10***

"And I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit of grace and supplication. They will look on me, the one they have pierced, and they will mourn for him as one mourns for an only child, and grieve bitterly for him as one grieves for a first-born son."

Fulfilled ***John 19:34***

"Instead, one of the soldiers pierced Jesus' side with a spear, bringing a sudden flow of blood and water."

Later in this same section John ties two prophecies together to remind everyone that Jesus had fulfilled both of them.

Fulfilled ***John 19:36-37***

"These things happened so that the scripture would be fulfilled, 'Not one of his bones will be broken,' and as another scripture says, 'They will look on the one they have pierced.'"

FULFILLING PROPHECIES OF JESUS LAST 50 DAYS ON EARTH

CHAPTER 7 "JESUS DIED BUT WAS NOT DEFEATED - PART II"

PROPHECY # 57 JESUS WAS PIERCED ONLY AFTER HIS DEATH (Continued from Chapter 6)

Prophecy *Psalm 22:14*

"I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint. My heart has turned to wax, it has melted within me."

Fulfilled *John 19:34*

"Instead, one of the soldiers pierced Jesus side with a spear, bringing a sudden flow of blood and water together."

PROPHECY # 58 JESUS WAS BURIED IN A RICH MAN'S GRAVE

Prophecy *Isaiah 53:9*

"He was assigned a grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death, though he had done no violence nor was any deceit in his mouth."

Fulfilled *Matthew 27:57-60*

"As evening approached, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who had himself become a disciple of Jesus. Going to Pilate, he asked for Jesus' body, and Pilate ordered that it be given to him. Joseph took the body, wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, and placed it in his own new tomb that he had cut out of the rock. He rolled a big stone in front of the entrance to the tomb and went away. Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were sitting there opposite the tomb."

PROPHECY # 59 JESUS WAS BETRAYED BY A CLOSE FRIEND

Prophecy *Psalm 41:9*

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

Fulfilled *Mark 14:50*

"And all fled, abandoning Him."

Prophecy *Zechariah 13:7*

"Awake, O sword, against My shepherd, against the man who is My companion! It is a declaration of Adonai-Tzva'ot. Strike the shepherd and the sheep will be scattered."

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PROPHECY # 60 MESSIAH WOULD BE KILLED AT A PRECISE TIME

Prophecy *Daniel 9:25-26* (70 Weeks Prophecy)

"Know and understand this: From the time the word goes out to restore and rebuild Jerusalem until the Anointed One, the ruler, comes, there will be seven 'sevens,' and sixty-two 'sevens.' It will be rebuilt with streets and a trench, but in times of trouble. 26 After the sixty-two 'sevens,' the Anointed One will be put to death and will have nothing. The people of the ruler who will come will destroy the city and the sanctuary. The end will come like a flood: War will continue until the end, and desolations have been decreed."

Fulfilled *John 3:14-16*

"Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, so that whoever believes in Him may have eternal life! For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life."

Fulfilled *John 12:32-33*

'And as I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw all to myself.' He said this to show the kind of death He was about to die."

PROPHECY # 61 THE SERPENT WOULD BRUISE THE SEED OF THE WOMAN

Prophecy *Genesis 3:15*

"I will put animosity between you and the woman—between your seed and her seed. He will crush your head, and you will bruise his heel!"

Fulfilled *John 12:31-32*

"Now is the judgment of this world! Now the prince of this world will be driven out! And as I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw all to Myself."

PROPHECY # 62 MESSIAH SACRIFICED

Prophecy *Daniel 9:26*

"Then after the 62 weeks Messiah will be cut off and have nothing."

Fulfilled *John 11:50-52*

"You don't take into account that it is better for you that one man dies for the people rather than for the whole nation to be destroyed.' Now he did not say this by himself; but as the high priest that year, he prophesied that Jesus would die for the nation. And not for the nation only, but also so that He might gather together into one the scattered children of God."

PROPHECY # 63 MESSIAH BETRAYED BY A CLOSE FRIEND

Prophecy *Psalms 41:9*

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

Fulfilled *Mark 14:10-11*

"Then Judas Iscariot, one of the Twelve, went to the chief priests to betray Jesus to them. They were delighted to hear this and promised to give him money. He began to look for a way to turn him over"

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PROPHECY # 64 FAMILY & FRIENDS ABANDONED JESUS

Prophecy *Zechariah 13:7*

"Awake, O sword, against My shepherd, against the man who is My companion! It is a declaration of Adonai-Tzva'ot. Strike the shepherd and the sheep will be scattered! I will turn My hand against the little ones."

Fulfilled *Mark 14:40*

"And all fled, abandoning Him."

PROPHECY # 65 JUDAS WAS PAID TO BETRAY JESUS

Prophecy *Zechariah 11:12*

"Then I said to them, 'If it seems good to you, pay me my wages, but if not, don't bother.' So, they weighed out my wages."

Fulfilled *Matthew 26: 15*

"And said, what are you willing to give me if I hand Him over to you? And they weighted out thirty-shekels of silver for him. "

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CHAPTER 8 "JESUS DIED BUT WAS NOT DEFEATED - PART III"

PROPHECY # 66 JESUS MESSIAH SENT FROM GOD TO DELIVER THE WORLD FROM SIN

Prophecy Isaiah 53:10-11

"Yet it was the Lord's will to crush him and cause him to suffer, and though the Lord makes his life an offering for sin, he will see his offspring and prolong his days, and the will of the Lord will prosper in his hand. After he has suffered, he will see the light of life and be satisfied, by his knowledge my righteous servant will justify many, and he will bear their iniquities."

Fulfilled Mark 16:6

"Don't be alarmed," he said. "You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him."

Fulfilled Romans 1:2-4

"The gospel he promised beforehand through his prophets in the Holy Scriptures regarding his Son, who as to his earthly life was a descendant of David, and who through the Spirit of holiness was appointed the Son of God in power by his resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord."

Fulfilled I Corinthians 15:12-20

"But if it is preached that Christ has been raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. And if Christ has not been raised our preaching is useless and so is your faith. More than that, we are then found to be false witnesses about God for we have testified about God that he raised Christ from the dead. But he did not raise him if in fact the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised either. And if Christ has not been raised, our faith is futile; you are still in your sins. Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are lost. If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are of all people most

PROPHECY # 67 JESUS MESSIAH WOULD NOT SUFFER DECAY IN HIS BODY

Prophecy Psalm 16:10

"Because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead, nor will you let our faithful one see decay."

Fulfilled Acts 2:25-28

"And David said about him, 'I saw the Lord always before me, because he is at my right hand. I will not be shaken. Therefore, my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will rest in hope, because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead, you will not let your holy one see decay. You have made known to me the paths of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence.'"

Fulfilled Acts 13:35

"So, it is stated elsewhere. You will not let your holy one see decay."

FULFILLING PROPHECIES OF JESUS LAST 50 DAYS ON EARTH

PROPHECY # 68 DISCIPLES SEE JESUS AFTER THE RESURECTION

Prophecy *Mark 16:7*

"But go, tell his disciples and Peter, 'He is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told them.'"

Fulfilled *Matthew 28:16*

"Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. When they saw him, they worshiped him, but some doubted."

PROPHECY # 69 TEMPLE VEIL INTO THE HOLY OF HOLIES SPLIT

Prophecy *Hebrews 10:19-22*

"Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water."

Fulfilled *Matthew 27:50-51*

"And when Jesus had cried out again in a loud voice, he gave up his spirit. At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. The earth shook, the rocks split."

PROPHECY # 70 JESUS WOULD ASCEND BACK INTO HEAVEN

Prophecy *Psalms 68:18*

"When you ascended on high, you took many captives; you received gifts from people, even from the rebellious that you, Lord God, might dwell there."

Fulfilled *Acts 1:9*

"After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight."

Fulfilled *Ephesians 4:8*

"This is why it says, 'When he ascended on high, he took many captives and gave gifts to his people.'"

Fulfilled *Luke 24:51*

"While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up into heaven."

Fulfilled *Ephesians 4:10*

"He who descended is the very one who ascended higher than all the heavens, in order to fill the whole universe."

PROPHECY # 71 JESUS EXALTED, SITS AT THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD IN HEAVEN

Prophecy *Psalms 110:1*

"The Lord says to my Lord; 'Sit at my right hand until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet.'"

Fulfilled *Hebrews 1:13*

"To which of the angels did God ever say, 'Sit at my right hand until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet'?"

FULFILLING PROPHECIES OF JESUS LAST 50 DAYS ON EARTH

PROPHECY # 72 JESUS RETURNS TO EARTH AND RULES

Prophecy *Psalms 110:2-7*

"The LORD will extend your mighty scepter from Zion, saying, 'Rule in the midst of your enemies!' Your troops will be willing on your day of battle. Arrayed in holy splendor, your young men will come to you like dew from the morning's womb. The LORD has sworn and will not change his mind: 'You are a priest forever, in the order of Melchizedek.' The Lord is at your right hand; he will crush kings on the day of his wrath. He will judge the nations, heaping up the dead and crushing the rulers of the whole earth. He will drink from a brook along the way, and so he will lift his head high."

Fulfilled *Mark 16:19 ??*

"After the Lord Jesus had spoken to them, he was taken up into heaven and he sat at the right hand of God."

PROPHECY # 73 JESUS SERVES AS OUR HIGH PRIEST, APPOINTED BY GOD FOR ALL TIME

Prophecy *Psalms 110:4*

"The Lord has sworn and will not change his mind: 'You are a priest forever, in the order of Melchizedek.'"

Prophecy *Jeremiah 31:31-33*

"The days are coming, declares the Lord. 'When I will make a new covenant' with all the people of Israel and with the people of Judah. It will not be like the covenant I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they broke my covenant though I was a husband to them, declares the Lord. This is the covenant' I will make with the people of Israel after that time,' declares the Lord. I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people.'" It is spelled out in Hebrews 8:13 which says, "By calling this covenant 'new' he has made the first one obsolete, and what is obsolete and outdated will soon disappear."

Fulfilled *Hebrews 6:19-20*

"We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm, and secure. It enters the inner sanctuary behind the curtain, where our forerunner, Jesus, has entered on our behalf. He has become a high priest forever, in the order of Melchizedek."

FULFILLING PROPHECIES OF JESUS LAST 50 DAYS ON EARTH

PROPHECY # 74 JESUS WAS GOD'S SON

Prophecy *Psalm 2:7*

"I will proclaim the Lord's decree: He said to me, "You are my Son, today I have become your Father."

Fulfilled *Hebrews 5:7-8*

"During the days of Jesus life on earth, he offered up prayers and petitions with fervent cries and tears to the one who could save him from death, and he heard because of his reverent submission. Son, though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered and once made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him."

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CHAPTER 9 "JESUS FULFILLED EVERY 'SAVING MESSIAH' PROPHECY"

PROPHECY # 75 JESUS BORN OF THE SEED OF A WOMAN

Prophecy *Genesis 3:15*

"And I will put enmity between you (Satan) and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head and you will strike his heel."

Fulfilled *Luke 1:34-35*

"How will this be," Mary asked the angel, "since I am a virgin?" the angel answered, "The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you. So, the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God."

Fulfilled *Romans 16:19-20*

"Everyone has heard about your obedience, so I rejoice because of you; but I want you to be wise about what is good, and innocent about what is evil. The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet. The grace of our Lord Jesus be with you."

PROPHECY # 76 JESUS MUST COME FROM THE LINE OF ABRAHAM

Prophecy *Genesis 22:15-18*

"The angel of the LORD called to Abraham from heaven a second time and said, "I swear by myself, declares the LORD, that because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, I will surely bless you and make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as the sand on the seashore. Your descendants will take possession of the cities of their enemies, and through your offspring all nations on earth will be blessed, because you have obeyed me." "And through your offspring, all nations on earth will be blessed, because you obeyed me."

Fulfilled *Galatians 3:8-9*

"Scripture foresaw that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, and announced the gospel in advance to Abraham: 'All nations will be blessed through you.' So those who rely on faith are blessed along with Abraham, the man of faith."

Fulfilled *Matthew 1:1-3*

"This is the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah the son of David, the son of Abraham: Abraham was the father of Isaac, Isaac the father of Jacob, Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers, Judah the father of Perez and Zerah, whose mother was Tamar, Perez the father of Hezron, Hezron the father of Ram."

PROPHECY # 77 JESUS MUST COME FROM THE LINE OF ISAAC

Prophecy *Genesis 17:19*

"Then God said, 'Yes, but your wife Sarah will bear you a son, and you will call him Isaac. I will establish my covenant with him as an everlasting covenant for his descendants after him.'"

Fulfilled *Matthew 1:1-3*

"This is the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah the son of David, the son of Abraham: Abraham was the father of Isaac, Isaac the father of Jacob, Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers, Judah the father of Perez and Zerah, whose mother was Tamar, Perez the father of Hezron, Hezron the father of Ram."

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PROPHECY # 78 JESUS MUST COME FROM THE LINE OF JACOB

Prophecy *Numbers 24:17*

"I see him, but not now; I behold him, but not near. A star will come out of Jacob; a scepter will rise out of Israel."

Fulfilled *Matthew 1:1-3*

"This is the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah the son of David, the son of Abraham: Abraham was the father of Isaac, Isaac the father of Jacob, Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers, Judah the father of Perez and Zerah, whose mother was Tamar, Perez the father of Hezron, Hezron the father of Ram."

PROPHECY # 79 JESUS MUST COME FROM THE TRIBE OF JUDAH

Prophecy *Genesis 49:10*

"The scepter will not depart from Judah, nor the ruler's staff from between his feet, until he to whom it belongs shall come, and the obedience of the nations shall be his."

Fulfilled *Matthew 1:1-3*

"This is the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah the son of David, the son of Abraham: Abraham was the father of Isaac, Isaac the father of Jacob, Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers, Judah the father of Perez and Zerah, whose mother was Tamar, Perez the father of Hezron, Hezron the father of Ram."

PROPHECY # 80 JESUS INHERITS THE THRONE OF DAVID

Prophecy *II Samuel 7:12-13*

"When your days are over and you rest with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring to succeed you, your own flesh and blood, and I will establish his kingdom. He is the one who will build a house for my Name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. I will be his father and he will be my son."

Prophecy *Isaiah 9:7*

"Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The Zeal of the Lord will accomplish this."

Fulfilled *Acts:3:29-32*

"Fellow Israelites, I can tell you confidently that the patriarch David died and was buried, and his tomb is here to this day. But he was a prophet and knew that God had promised him on oath that he would place one of his descendants on his throne. 31 Seeing what was to come, He spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, that he was not abandoned to the realm of the dead, nor did his body see decay. God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of it."

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PROPHECY # 81 THE THRONE OF THE SAVING MESSIAH WILL BE ANOINTED & ETERNAL

Prophecy *Psalm 45:6-7*

"Your throne, O God, will last forever and ever; a scepter of justice will be the scepter of your kingdom. You love righteousness and hate wickedness, therefore God, your God, has set you above your companions by anointing you with the oil of joy."

Prophecy *Daniel 2:44*

"In that time of those kings, the God of heaven will set up a kingdom that will never be destroyed, nor will it be left to another people. It will crush all those kingdoms and bring them to an end, but it will itself endure forever."

Fulfilled *I Corinthians 15:25-27*

"For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. For he "has put everything under his feet." Now when it says that "everything" has been put under him, it is clear that this does not include God himself, who put everything under Christ."

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PROPHECY # 82 JESUS MESSIAH RIGHTFULLY NAMED IMMANUEL BY THE ANGELS

Prophecy *Isaiah 7:14*

"Therefore, the Lord himself will give you a sign. The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel."

Fulfilled *Matthew 1:20-23*

"But after Joseph had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, 'Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy spirit. She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins.' All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet; The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel (which means 'God with us.')"

PROPHECY # 83 JESUS MESSIAH WOULD GIVE TRUE BREAD FROM HEAVEN

Prophecy *Exodus 16:4*

"Then the Lord said to Moses, 'I will rain down bread from heaven for you. The people are to go out each day and gather enough for that day. In this way I will test them and see whether they will follow my instructions."

Fulfilled *John 6:31-35*

"Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written: 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.' Jesus said to them, 'Very truly I tell you. It is not Moses who has given you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father, who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is the bread that comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' Sir, they said, 'always give us this bread.' Then Jesus declared, 'I am the bread of life, whoever comes to me will never go hungry and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. '"

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PROPHECY # 84 JESUS MESSIAH WAS TO BE A PROPHET SENT FROM GOD

Prophecy *Deuteronomy 18:18-22*

"The Lord said to me, (Moses): I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their fellow Israelites, and I will put my words in his mouth. He will tell them everything I command him. I myself will call to account anyone who does not listen to the words that the prophet speaks in my name. But a prophet who presumes to speak in my name anything I have not commanded, or a prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, is to be put to death. You may say to yourselves, 'How can we know when a message has not been spoken by the Lord?' If what a prophet proclaims in the name of the Lord does not take place or come true, that is message the Lord has not spoken. That prophet has spoken presumptuously. So, do not be alarmed."

Fulfilled *Acts 3:19-23*

"Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord, and that he may send the Messiah, who has been appointed for you--even Jesus. Heaven must receive him until the time comes for God to restore everything, as he promised long ago through his holy prophets. For Moses said, 'The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you must listen to everything he tells you. Anyone who does not listen to him will be completely cut off from their people.'"

PROPHECY # 85 SCRIPTURES PROVE JESUS WAS A SPECIAL PROPHET FROM GOD

Prophecy *Deuteronomy 18:18-22*

"I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their fellow Israelites, and I will put my words in his mouth. He will tell them everything I command him. I myself will call to account anyone who does not listen to my words that the prophet speaks in my name. But a prophet who presumes to speak in my name anything I have not commanded, or a prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, is to be put to death." You may say to yourselves, "How can we know when a message has not been spoken by the LORD?" If what a prophet proclaims in the name of the LORD does not take place or come true, that is a message the LORD has not spoken. That prophet has spoken presumptuously, so do not be alarmed."

Fulfilled *John 6:14*

"After the people saw the sign, Jesus preformed, they began to say, 'Surely this is the Prophet who is to come into the world.'"

Fulfilled *John 12:49-50*

"For I did not speak on my own, but the Father, who sent me commanded me to say all that I have spoken. I know that his command leads to eternal life. So, whatever I say is just what the Father has told me to say."

Fulfilled *Acts 3:22-23,*

"For Moses said, 'The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people, you must listen to everything he tells you. Anyone who does not listen to him will be completely cut off from their people.'"

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CHAPTER 10 "JESUS ALIVE, HEAVEN BOUND

PROPHECY # 86 JESUS ASCENDED TO HEAVEN AND GAVE GIFTS TO HUMANS

Prophecy *Psalm 68:18*

"When you ascended on high, you took many captives; you received gifts from people, even from the rebellious that you, Lord God, might dwell there."

Fulfilled *Ephesians 4:7-11*

"But to each one of us, grace has been given as Christ apportioned it. This is why it says: 'When he ascended on high, he took many captives and gave gifts to his people. (What does 'he ascended' mean except that he also descended to the lower earthly regions? He who ascended higher than the heavens, in order to fill the whole universe.) So, Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers."

Fulfilled *Acts 1:9-11*

"After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight. They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. 'Men of Galilee,' they said, 'why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven.'"

PROPHECY # 87 SALVATION BECOMES AVAILABLE TO THE GENTILES

Prophecy *Isaiah 11:10*

"In that day the Root of Jesse will stand as a banner for the peoples; the nations will rally to him, and his resting place will be glorious."

Fulfilled *Romans 15:16*

"And again, Isaiah says, 'The Root of Jesse will spring up, one who will arise to rule over the nations; in Him the Gentiles will hope.'"

PROPHECY # 88 JESUS RECEIVES PRAISE FROM GENTILES

Prophecy *Psalm 18:49*

"Therefore, I will praise you, Lord, among the nations, I will sing the praises of your name."

Fulfilled *Romans 15:9*

"And, moreover, that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy.' As it is written, 'Therefore I will praise you among the Gentiles, I will sing the praises of your name.'"

PROPHECY # 89 GENTILES REJOICE WITH THE JEWS

Prophecy *Isaiah 66:10*

"Rejoice with Jerusalem and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice greatly with her, all you who mourn over her.'"

Fulfilled *Romans 15:10*

"Again it says, 'Rejoice you Gentiles, with his people,'"

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PROPHECY # 90 GENTILES WILL BELIEVE IN MESSIAH

Prophecy **Amos 9:11-12**

"In that day I will restore David's fallen shelter. I will repair its broken walls and restore its ruins, and will rebuild it as it used to be."

Prophecy **Isaiah 65:1**

"I revealed myself to those who did not ask for me; I was found by those who did not seek me, to a nation that did not call on my name, I said, 'Here am I, here am I.'"

Fulfilled **Acts 15:13-18**

"When they finished, James spoke up, 'Brothers,' he said, 'listen to me, Simon has described to us how God first intervened to choose a people for his name from the Gentiles. The words of the prophets are in agreement with this, as it is written, 'After this I will return and rebuild David's fallen tent. Its ruins I will rebuild, and I will restore it, that the rest of mankind may seek the Lord, even all the Gentiles who bear my name, says the lord who does these things.'"

Fulfilled **Romans 10:20**

"And Isaiah boldly says, 'I was found by those who did not seek me; I revealed myself to those who did not ask for me.'"

PROPHECY # 91 GENTILES WOULD COME TO WORSHIP THE MESSIAH

Prophecy **Isaiah 60:1-3**

"Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord rises upon you. See, darkness covers the earth and thick darkness is over the peoples, but the Lord rises upon you and his glory appears over you. Nations (OT for Gentiles) will come to your light and kings to the brightness of your dawn."

Fulfilled **Matthew 2:11**

"On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasure and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh."

Fulfilled **Romans 15:8-12**

"For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the Jews on behalf of God's truth, so that the promises made to the patriarchs might be confirmed and moreover, that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written: Therefore, I will praise you among the Gentiles, I will sing the praises of your name.' Again, it says, 'Rejoice you Gentiles, with his people.' And again, Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles let all the peoples extol him.' And again, Isaiah says, 'The Root of Jesse will spring up, one who will arise to rule over the nations; in him the Gentiles will hope.'"

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PROPHECY # 92 GOD KNEW THE JEWS WOULD REJECT JESUS AS MESSIAH

Prophecy *Isaiah 53:1*

"Who has believed our message and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?"

Fulfilled *John 12:37-38*

"Even after Jesus had performed so many signs in their presence, they still would not believe in him. This was to fulfill the word of Isaiah the prophet: 'Lord, who has believed our message and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed.'"

Fulfilled *Romans 10:16*

"Not all the Israelites accepted the good news, for Isaiah says, 'Lord, who has believed our message.'"

Fulfilled *John 12:40-41*

"He has blinded their eyes and hardened their hearts, so they can neither see with their eyes, nor understand with their hearts, nor turn---and I would heal them. Isaiah said this because he saw Jesus' glory and spoke about him."

PROPHECY # 93 JESUS WOULD BE REJECTED BY HIS OWN PEOPLE

Prophecy *Isaiah 53:3*

"He was despised and rejected by mankind, a man of suffering, and familiar with pain. Like one from whom people hide their faces he was despised and we held him in low esteem."

Fulfilled *John 1:11*

"He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him."

PROPHECY # 94 THE CHILDREN WOULD PRAISE THE MESSIAH

Prophecy *Psalms 8:2*

"Through the praise of children and infants you have established a stronghold against your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger."

Fulfilled *Matthew 21:15-16*

"Do you hear what these children are saying,' they asked him. 'Yes, replied Jesus, 'have you never read, from the lips of children and infants you, Lord, have called forth your praise.'"

PROPHECY # 95 JESUS WOULD PREACH IN PARABLES

Prophecy *Psalms 78:2*

"I will open my mouth with a parable, I will utter hidden things, things from of old---"

Fulfilled *Matthew 13:34-35*

"Jesus spoke all these things to the crowd in parables, he did not say anything to them without using a parable. So was fulfilled what was spoken through the prophet: 'I will open my mouth in parables, I will utter things hidden since the creation of the world.'"

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PROPHECY # 96 MESSIAH WOULD HAVE PASSION FOR GOD'S HOUSE, THE TEMPLE

Prophecy *Psalms 69:9*

"For zeal for your house consumes me, and the insults of those who insult you fall on me."

Fulfilled *John 2:14-17*

"In the temple courts he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and others sitting at tables exchanging money. So, he made a whip out of cords, and drove all from the temple courts, both sheep and cattle; he scattered the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. To those who sold doves he said, 'Get out of here! Stop turning my Father's house into a market! His disciples remembered that it is written, 'Zeal for your house will consume me.'"

PROPHECY # 97 GOD'S THRONE WILL LAST FOR EVER AND EVER

Prophecy *Psalms 45:6-7*

"Your throne, O God, will last for ever and ever; a scepter of Justice will be the scepter of your kingdom. You love righteousness and hate wickedness; therefore God, your God, has set you above your companions by anointing you with the oil of joy."

Fulfilled *Hebrews 1:8-9*

"But about the son he says, 'Your throne, Oh God, will last forever and ever; a scepter of justice will be the scepter of your kingdom. You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness; therefore God, your God, has set you above your companions by anointing you with the oil of joy.'"

PROPHECY # 99 GOD LAID THE FOUNDATIONS OF THE EARTH

Prophecy *Psalms 102:25-27*

"In the beginning you laid the foundations of the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands. They will perish, but you remain; they will all wear out like a garment, like clothing you will change them and they will be discarded. But you remain the same and your years will never end."

Fulfilled *Hebrews 1:10-12*

"He also says, 'In the beginning, Lord, you laid the foundations of the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands. They will perish but you remain; they will wear out like a garment. You will roll them up like a robe; like a garment they will be changed but you remain the same, and your years will never end.'"
