Lesson #

Christology-Prophecies in the Life of Christ

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\* These next series of lessons will deal with what is called Christology. The study of Christ, or the study of God the Son. We will be looking at and studying the person and work of the Lord Jesus Christ.

\* In this beginning lesson we will deal primarily with the prophecies that had to do with the earthly life of Christ, that is, prophecies concerning Christ’s origin and concerning His human ministry. Long before the Lord Jesus Christ was born it was prophesied that He would come. The final and sure test of the infallibility of the word of God and Gods authority is prophecy. He who knows the end from the beginning has spoken, and has already committed it to writing.

\* First, we deal with the prophecies in the earthly life of Christ. Long before Jesus Christ was born it was prophesied that he would come. The first prophecy occurred more than three thousand years before His birth. Fulfilled prophecy is the main proof that the Bible is the written word of God. It makes more than eight hundred prophecies, all of which are removed far enough in time from their fulfillment that there could be no chance of accident. Of these eight hundred prophecies, three hundred of them have already been fulfilled literally, and there are five hundred that remain to be fulfilled in the future. The mathematical probability of these prophecies coming to pass is less than one out of ten to the 895th power. So, when we speak about the Bible being “Holy Scripture,” we are speaking with mathematical certainty of a scientific fact. There are no books on science written which are that accurate. There is no text book on science that can match the word of God.

\* The Bible makes forty-eight prophecies about the Lord Jesus Christ’s first coming to Israel as their Messiah. The chances of forty-eight prophecies coming to pass in the life of one man, when the prophecies are written four hundred to two thousand years before He was born, are about one out of ten to the 157th power. There are not that many electrons in the universe. All of the prophecies come through on the button.

\* Jesus did not come to earth unannounced.

“But when the f \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ t \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ w \_ \_ c \_ \_ \_, God s \_ \_ \_ f \_ \_ \_ \_ h \_ \_ S \_ \_,

made of a woman, made under the law,” ***Galatians 4:4***

\* A study of Scripture fulfillment dealing with minute details encourages our faith in God, who not only draws up the master plan, but also the intricate details of the blueprint ahead of time. We see that the details are fulfilled exactly as prophesied, and this reinforces the faith of the believer in the inspiration of Scripture and proves to him that the Bible is not just an assortment of books by various authors, but is one book with one Author: God.

\* It also proves that the Bible is not a “drop of truth in an ocean of truth” or a “bucket of truth in an ocean of truth.” It is the “whole ocean” collapsed in your pocket. The surest proof you have that the other so-called sacred scriptures are irreverent tomfoolery, is the fact that none of them even try the phenomena we find recorded in the Bible.

\* Our religion is not just based on faith alone; our religion is based on “historical facts.” For example, the King James text has five hundred prophecies in it that deal with the second coming of Christ that have not taken place yet. Do you know what the chances are of a man “batting 500” out of 500? Do you know what the chances are of a Book “batting 1,000” through a period of three hundred years. These are the chances the Bible takes and never apologizes to anybody. And because there are now five and one-half miles of obsolete books on “science” where the “scientific facts” have changed and are no longer relevant, what would “modern science” be alongside the Bible, anyway? To assume that all these things just accidentally happen is an accident too great for the imagination. You will find evolutionists and scientists who don’t believe in the word of God, and yet they have mathematical scientific proof that the Bible is the word of God. Incurable ignorance!

“Because that, when t \_ \_ \_ k \_ \_ \_ G \_ \_, they g \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ h \_ \_ n \_ \_ a \_ G \_ \_, neither were thankful; but b \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ v \_ \_ \_ in t \_ \_ \_ \_i \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, and their f \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

h \_ \_ \_ \_ w \_ \_ d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_. Professing themselves t \_ b \_ w \_ \_ \_, they b \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ f \_ \_ \_ \_,” ***Romans 1:21,22***

\* Our faith is undergirded by the witness of fulfilled prophecy and it helps us to stand firm and unmovable, because everything that God said would come to pass, did come to pass, and everything He has said that is going to come to pass, will come to pass. Let’s take a look at some of the prophecies concerning Christ’s origin and Christ’s life. The chances of these prophecies coming out and being fulfilled in the life of one man are one out of ten to the 97th power.

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* Christ would **come out of Israel**.

“I shall see him, but not now: I shall behold him, but not nigh: t \_ \_ \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ c \_ \_ \_ a S \_ \_ \_ o \_ \_ o \_ J \_ \_ \_ \_, and a S \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ r \_ \_ \_ o \_ \_ of

I \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, and shall smite the corners of Moab, and destroy all the children of Sheth.” ***Numbers 24:17-19***

* Christ would be **descended from Abraham Isaac, and Jacob.**

“And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall

a \_ \_ f \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ of t \_ \_ e \_ \_ \_ \_ b \_ b \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_.” ***Genesis 12:3, 17:19;***

***Numbers 24:17***

* Christ would be **born of the family of David.**

“And there shall c \_ \_ \_ f \_ \_ \_ \_ a r \_ \_ o \_ \_ of the s \_ \_ \_ o \_ J \_ \_ \_ \_, and a

B \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ shall grow out of h \_ \_ r \_ \_ \_ \_:” ***Isaiah 11:1; Genesis 49:8-12***

* Christ would **be born in Bethlehem**.

“But thou, B \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ Ephratah, though thou be little among the

thousands of Judah, yet o \_ \_ o \_ t \_ \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ h \_ c \_ \_ \_ f \_ \_ \_ \_ unto me

that is to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth have been from of

old, f \_ \_ \_ e \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_.” ***Micah 5:2***

* Christ would **be born of a virgin**.

“Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a v \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

s \_ \_ \_ \_ c \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, and bear a s \_ \_, and shall call his name I \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_.”

***Isaiah 7:14***

* The **time of His coming** was specified.

Know therefore and understand, that from the g \_ \_ \_ \_ f \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ t \_ \_

c\_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ to restore and to build Jerusalem u \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ M \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

t \_ \_ P \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ shall be seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: the

street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times.” ***Daniel 9:25***

* Christ’s coming **was announced by a forerunner.**

“The v \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ h \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ c \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ in t \_ \_ w \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, P \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ y \_

t \_ \_ w \_ \_ o \_ t \_ \_ L \_ \_ \_, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.”

***Isaiah 40:3-5***

* The Messiah **would be God manifest in the flesh.**

“For unto us a c \_ \_ \_ \_i \_ b \_ \_ \_, unto us a s \_ \_i \_ g \_ \_ \_ \_: and the

government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be

called Wonderful, Counsellor, T \_ \_ m \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ G \_ \_, The everlasting

Father, The Prince of Peace.” ***Isaiah 9:6***

* He would **spend His childhood in Egypt.**

“When Israel was a child, then I loved him, and c \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ m \_ s \_ \_ o \_ \_

o \_ E \_ \_ \_ \_.” ***Hosea 11:1***

* He **would suffer and make an atonement for sin.**

“Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise him; he hath put him to grief:

w\_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ m \_ \_ \_ h \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ a \_ o \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ f \_ \_ s \_ \_, he shall see his

seed, he shall prolong his days, and the pleasure of the LORD shall

prosper in his hand.” ***Isaiah 53***

* He would **enter Jerusalem on “a colt the foal of an ass.**

“Rejoice greatly, O d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ Z \_ \_ \_; shout, O daughter of

J \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_: behold, thy K \_ \_ \_ c \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ u \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_: he is just, and

having salvation; lowly, and riding upon an ass, and upon a c \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_

f \_ \_ \_ o \_ a \_a \_ \_.” ***Zechariah 9:9***

* He **would be given gall and vinegar in His agony.**

“They g \_ \_ \_ m \_ a \_ \_ \_ g \_ \_ \_ for my meat; and in my thirst they g \_ \_ \_ m \_

v \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ to drink.” ***Psalms 69:21***

* **Not a bone would be broken.**

“He keepeth a \_ \_ h \_ \_ b \_ \_ \_ \_: n \_ \_ o \_ \_ o \_ t \_ \_ \_ is b \_ \_ \_ \_ \_.” ***Psalms 34:20***

* Men would **cast lots for His garments.**

“They part my g \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ among them, and c \_ \_ \_ l \_ \_ \_ upon my

vesture.” ***Psalms 22:18***

* He would **utter certain words in His dying agony, which were quoted before He was born.**

“My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? why art thou so far

from helping me, and from the w \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ m \_ r \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_?” ***Psalms 22:1***

* He would **rise from the dead.**

“For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell; neither wilt thou s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

t \_ \_ \_ \_ H \_ \_ \_ O \_ \_ t \_ s \_ \_ c \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_.” ***Psalms 16:10***

* He would **be betrayed by a friend.**

“Yea, mine o \_ \_ f \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ f \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, in whom I t \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, which did eat of

my bread, hath l \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ u \_ h \_ \_ h \_ \_ \_ a \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ m \_.” ***Psalms 41:9***



* He would be **sold for thirty pieces of silver.**

“And I said unto them, If ye think good, give me my price; and if

not, forbear. So they weighed for m \_ p \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ pieces of s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_.” ***Zechariah 11:12***

* He would **be accused by false witnesses.**

“F \_ \_ \_ \_ w \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ did rise up; they laid t \_ m \_ c \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ things that I

k \_ \_ \_ n \_ \_.” ***Psalms 35:11***

* He would **be spat upon and smitten.**

“I gave my b \_ \_ \_ to the s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, and my cheeks to them that plucked

off the hair: I hid not my f \_ \_ \_ from s \_ \_ \_ \_ and s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_.” ***Isaiah 50:6***

* He would **be hated without a cause.**

“Let not them that are mine enemies wrongfully rejoice over me:

neither let them wink with the eye t \_ \_ \_ h \_ \_ \_ m \_ w \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ a c \_ \_ \_ \_.”

***Psalms 35:19***

* He would **be scorned and mocked.**

All they that see me l \_ \_ \_ \_ m \_ t \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_: they s \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ \_ t \_ \_ l \_ \_, they

shake the head, saying,” ***Psalms 22:7***

\* All of the references listed above were written more than four hundred years before Jesus Christ was born.

\* Every Orthodox Jew had all the thirty-nine Old Testament books of your King James Bible in print and reading them in the synagogues two hundred years before Jesus showed up.

\* Above we have seen twenty-two details of a man’s life that were given before He was born that come to pass exactly as spoken.

\* Now, let’s just suppose that all of the evolutionists monkey men and women, and the unbelieving scientists, and the psychiatrists, and all the relativists, and whoever else takes a stand against the word of God and the truth, decided that they were going to try to duplicate the above for themselves. First of all, there would have to be some requirements they would have to go by for their reproduction to be a valid one. Let’s see what they are.

1. Requirement Number One: You have to get the statements of seven different writers a thousand years apart.
2. Requirement Number Two: They have to write the events without any known record to get their material from.
3. Requirement Number Three: They have to be unaware of each other’s writings when they write.
4. Requirement Number Four: The details have to be fulfilled far enough in the future so that there is no chance that the author could have used hindsight instead of foresight.

\* Ok, these few little things shouldn’t be too hard for all you folks that are smarter than the Lord and like to mock and scoff at the validity of the word of God, should they? After all, the phenomena just listed can’t be found in the Harvard Five Foot Shelf of Classics. They can’t be found in the Encyclopedia Britannica or in the Encyclopedia Americana.

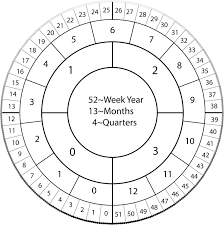
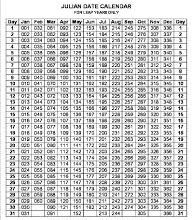
***Numbers 24:17*** fulfilled ***Matthew 1:1-17; 2:1-2***

***Genesis 49:10*** fulfilled ***Luke 1:31-33***

***Micah 5:2*** fulfilled ***Luke 2:4-7***

***Isaiah 7:14*** fulfilled ***Matthew 1:18-23***

\* ***Daniel 9:24-26*** He was crucified exactly at that time, and if you put the Gregorian system and the Copernican system and the Julian system and the Roman calendar together and work out your lunar years and your solar years until you are red, white, and blue in the face you will find out that His triumphal entry into Jerusalem was dated within eight hours, more than four hundred years before His birth.

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***Isaiah 9:6*** fulfilled ***John 1:14***

***Hosea 11:1*** fulfilled ***Matthew 2:13-15***

***Isaiah 53*** fulfilled ***Matthew 26, 27***

***Zechariah 9:9*** fulfilled ***Matthew 21:2-5***

***Psalms 69:21*** fulfilled ***Matthew 27:34***

\* ***Exodus 12:46; Psalms 34:20*** fulfilled ***John 19:33***. This is very unusual because the legs of the crucified prisoners were broken. How did they miss Christ’s legs? And since the Jews method of capital punishment was stoning, why would an Old Testament man say, “He keepeth all his bones: not one of them is broken” (***Psalms 34:20***)? What are the chances of a man not having his bones broken in capital punishment under a Jewish nation, if he were a Jew, when it would be Jews who would carry out punishment on him?

***Psalms 22:18*** fulfilled ***Matthew 27:35***

***Psalms 22:1*** fulfilled ***Mark 15:34***

***Psalms 16:10***fulfilled***Acts 2:27-30***

\* There are dozens of Prophecies throughout the Old Testament that speak about Christ’s ministry, and about the men to whom He will witness-types of the Antichrist, His cry from the cross, about when He comes again ***Zechariah 12:10***, being the seed of a woman ***Genesis 3:15***.

\* How do you explain in ***Exodus 12:7***, the Jew being told to put blood on each side of the door for the two dying thieves, and the blood over the door for Jesus Christ in the middle? It also, just happening to be a “door” rather than a “window” or something. Who said, “He was the “Door?”

“Then s \_ \_ \_ J \_ \_ \_ \_ unto them again, Verily, verily, I say unto you, I

am t \_ \_ d \_ \_ \_ of the sheep.” ***John 10:7***

\* How do you explain Joseph, back in the Old Testament between ***Genesis 37*** and ***Genesis 50***, whose life matches Jesus Christ’s earthly life in one hundred fifty-two different particulars. He is a shepherd, hated of his brethren, envied by his brethren, betrayed by his brethren, sold to Gentiles by his brethren, sold for silver by his brethren, in prison, connected with new wine and bread while in prison, and one prisoner hung, and one prisoner released. Here is a book, (Genesis), written by a man who lived fifteen hundred years before Christ was born, but he gives one hundred fifty-two details of Christ’s life before He shows up.

\* The truth cannot be separated from facts. We are dealing with facts in your King James Bible.

\* The Bible is the word of God. The Bible constitutes the Holy Scriptures which can be proved scientifically by mathematical phenomena. Listen what the Lord says.

“Thus saith the LORD the King of Israel, and his redeemer the LORD of hosts; I am t \_ \_

f \_ \_ \_ \_, and I am t \_ \_ l \_ \_ \_; and beside me t \_ \_ \_ \_ is n \_ G \_ \_. And who, as I, shall call, and shall declare it, and set it in order for me, since I appointed the ancient people? and the things that a \_ \_c \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, and s \_ \_ \_ \_ c \_ \_ \_, let them shew unto them. Fear ye not, neither be afraid: have not I told thee from that time, and have declared it? ye are even my witnesses. Is there a God beside me? yea, there is no God; I k \_ \_ \_ n \_ \_ a \_ \_.” ***Isaiah 44:6-8***

\* God has committed Himself to man in print so that no mathematician could even dispute His word and retain a sound mind. You have to be intellectually dishonest to classify the Bible with other “so-called scripture.” The mathematical phenomena in the Bible is not found in any other books in the world, including the textbooks on mathematics.

As we close this study, let us go believing our Lord without doubt and question, but knowing that our God and His word are as true as our Salvation. He doesn’t have to prove anything to us, He already has. We believe Him because we love Him, and choose to, and get to. It is a privilege to believe God and His word. Amen!