



The Master's Class

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JESUS

The prophecies of the Messiah

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THE PURPOSE of this STUDY

To prove, from Scripture, that Jesus is the Christ.

Luke 24:27

“And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, He expounded unto them in all the **scriptures** the things concerning Himself.”

Acts 18:28

“For he mightily convinced the Jews, and that publicly, shewing by the **scriptures** that Jesus was Christ.”

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Prophecies of the Messiah, of Christ

1. His birth
2. Place of His birth
3. A virgin birth
4. He comes from Egypt
5. Date of His Baptism and Death
6. The details of His betrayal
7. How his garments were disposed
8. Type of death
9. The details of surrounding His death

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POINT 1

His Birth

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Prediction of His Birth

Numbers 24:17 "I shall see him, but not now: I shall behold him, but not nigh: There shall come a **Star out of Jacob**, And a Sceptre shall rise out of Israel, And shall smite the corners of Moab, And destroy all the children of Sheth."

Matthew 2:2 "Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for **we have seen his star** in the east, and are come to worship him."

1.How would they know that a Star would be present?

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Place of His Birth

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Prediction of His Birthplace

“But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, *though* thou be little among the thousands of Judah, *yet* out of thee shall he come forth unto me *that is* to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth *have been* from of old, from everlasting.” **Micah 5:2**

Matthew 2:3-6 “3 When Herod the king had heard *these things*, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. 4 And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born. 5 And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judaea: for thus it is written by the prophet, 6 And thou Bethlehem, *in* the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel.” (see also **John 7:42**)

1. How did the prophet Micah know that Jesus would be born in Bethlehem about 700 years before His birth? (**2 Timothy 3:16**; **2 Peter 1:21**; **John 1:1**)
2. Why didn't he select one of the more popular Hebrew cities for Christ birth?

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The Likelihood of Bethlehem as Christ's birthplace

- Where did parents of Jesus live about 3 weeks before Jesus was born? **Luke 2:4**
- Why did she go to Bethlehem? **Luke 2:1**

Consider the facts for a moment

- Mary lived in Nazareth, about 90 miles away
- In antiquity, people traveled about 20 miles a day.
- It is believed that Joseph and Mary would have traveled only 10 miles a day because of Mary's impending delivery.



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Why Bethlehem? Why Nazareth?

“He, the life, the light of the world, makes poverty His own teacher, in order that He may be educated by the same stern, practical teacher [as are the poor]. Since the Lord Jesus accepted a life of poverty, **no one can justly look with contempt upon the poor**. The Saviour of the world was the King of glory, and He stripped Himself of His glorious outward adorning, accepting poverty, that He might understand how the poor are treated in this world. He was afflicted in all the afflictions of the human family, and **He pronounces His blessing, not upon the rich, but upon the poor of this world**. – {PCO 12.2}

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Why Bethlehem? Why Nazareth?

“Christ came to our world, clothing His divinity with humanity, that He might work with humanity, fallen, degraded corrupted. He came of poor parentage, and lived the life of a poor man. He was accustomed to privation. As a member of the family He acted His part in laboring with His hands for the support of His mother and His brothers and sisters. Thus he, the Majesty of heaven, was not to appear as honoring the greatest men because of their wealth. **He has forever removed from poverty the disgrace** which is attached to it because it is destitute of worldly advantages. He says, “The Foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay His head.” – {PCO 12.1}

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A Virgin Birth

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Virgin Birth

“Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, And shall call his name Immanuel.” **Isaiah 7:14**

What would have made Isaiah say such a crazy thing as Jesus' mother would be a virgin? Everyone, even in the days of Isaiah, knows how a child is conceived. And why call him Immanuel?

- **Matthew 1:18-23** – But it happened.
- **Luke 1:26-38** (Before she knew any man)

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He Would Come Out of
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Jesus would come from Egypt

"When Israel was a child, then I loved him, And called my son out of Egypt." **Hosea 11:1**

Why was Jesus in Egypt? **Matthew 2:13**

- "And when they were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him.

Why did Jesus come out of Egypt? **Matthew 2:19, 20**

- 19 But when Herod was dead, behold, an angel of the Lord appeareth in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, 20 Saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and go into the land of Israel: for they are dead which sought the young child's life.

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Date of Christ's Baptism
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Daniel 9:24 “Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people (Daniel’s people: Jews) and upon thy holy city, to finish the **transgression**, and to make and **end of sins**, and to make **reconciliation for iniquity**, and to **bring in everlasting righteousness**, and to **seal up the vision and prophecy**, and to **anoint the most Holy.**”

- John 1:29, 36 “The Lamb of God”
- John 1:41 “The Messias”
- Heb 10:1 “the very Image” not the shadow

Daniel 9:25 “Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to **restore** and to **build** Jerusalem **unto the Messiah** the prince shall be seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times.”

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Date of Christ Baptism & Death

- Daniel 9:24, 25 – His Baptism into ministry

70 WEEKS

69 Weeks

x 7

= 483 Days

“I have laid on you a day for each year.”

EZEKIEL 4:6

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Daniel 9:26, 27 “26 And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof *shall be* with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined.

27 And **he shall confirm the covenant** with many for **one week**: and **in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease**, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make *it* desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.”

Hebrew 2:3 “ How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation; which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard him;”

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Date of Christ Baptism and Death

- Daniel 9:26, 27 – His Death





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Three decrees dealing with the repatriation of the Jews are recorded in the book of Ezra:

1. In the first year of Cyrus, about 537 (Ezra 1:1–4);
2. In the reign of Darius I, soon after 520 (Ezra 6:1–12);
3. In the 7th year of Artaxerxes, 458/457 b.c. (Ezra 7:1–26).

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Some have been puzzled as to how Christ could begin His work in a.d. 27 when the record says that He was about 30 years of age when He started His public ministry (Luke 3:23). This is due to the fact that when the Christian Era was first computed, an error of about four years occurred. That Christ was not born in a.d. 1, is evident from the fact that when He was born Herod the Great was still alive, and Herod died in 4 b.c. (see Matt. 2:13–20).

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The Details of His Betrayal

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The detail of His betrayal

Zechariah 11:12, 13

- His betrayal price
- The amount of coins to make the price
- The type of currency
- What would happen with the money
- Where it would be cast

Matthew 27:1-7 (It happened)



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How His Garments Were
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How His garments were disposed

Psalm 22:18: “They part my garments among them, and cast lots upon my vesture.”

- What two things had to happen with his garments?

It happened

- Matthew 27:35; John 19:23, 24



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Type of Death

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The Type of Death He Would Face

Psalm 22:16 – John 20:25-27

- Initially, the **Romans** executed most criminals by tying them to the wooden crosses. The idea of the cross was not a quick death but a prolonged death. It was meant to be torture. So it is highly unusual that Jesus **was** nailed.
- The idea that Christ hands and feet were pierced is incredible. This form of crucifixion was an unknown thing at the time when David wrote those words in Psalms. Who would have thought that this form of cruel would develop. Yet, it came hundreds of years afterwards through the Romans.

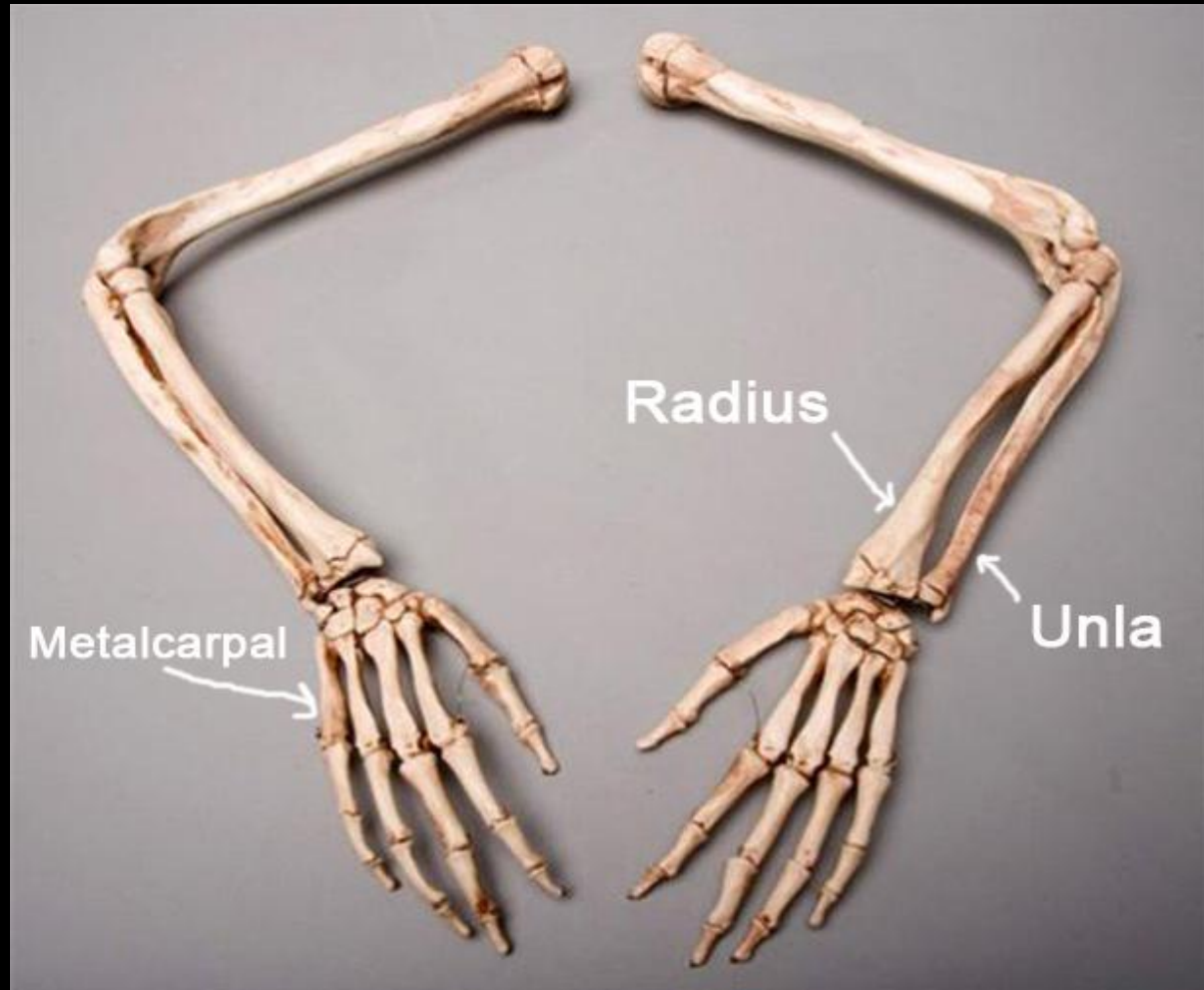
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The Details Surrounding His Death

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The treatment He receive at His death

Psalm 22:16

- Matthew 27:38-44
- Luke 24:21
- Mark 15:34 - 36

No pity from anyone.

Isa. 63:5; Ps. 69:20 – Matthew 26:56, Mark 14:50

“We trusted that it had been He which should have redeemed Israel.” (Luke 24:21).

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“How grateful then to the Saviour was the utterance of faith and love from the dying thief! While the leading Jews deny Him, and even the disciples doubt His divinity, the poor thief, upon the brink of eternity, calls Jesus Lord. Many were ready to call Him Lord when He wrought miracles, and after He had risen from the grave; but none acknowledged Him as He hung dying upon the cross save the penitent thief who was saved at the eleventh hour.”

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What He Was Given to Drink

Psalms 69:21 -- Matt. 27:34, 48; Mark 15:23

“For His Meat” - Meat. *Heb. baruth*, “bread of consolation.”

It is the food supplied to a mourner by his sympathizers.

His Last Words

Psalms 22: 1 – Mark 15:34

Who He Died with & Who He was Buried with

Isaiah 53:9 -- Luke 23:50-53

His Body Would Not Decay.

Psalms 16:10 -- Matthew 27:63 – 28:6

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Jesus is FULLY God

- John 1:1
 - John 1:14
- John 8:58
 - Exodus 3:1-3, 14
- John 17:5 – Preexistence with the Father
- Matthew 1:23
- John 10:30
 - Gen 1: 26
- Philippians 2:5-7
- John 1:51

Jesus is not like God, neither did he become God. He is God!

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Jesus is FULLY Man

- Galatians 4:4
- Galatians 3:16
 - Isa 9:6
- Revelation 22:16
- John 1:14
- 1 Timothy 3:16
- Luke 24:39
- John 20:24-28
- Hebrew 2:14, 15

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