

Hebrew Scripture's (Old Covenant or Tanakh) Prophecies Concerning the Coming of the Messiah of Israel and Yeshua's Fulfillment of Those Prophecies

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There are over 300 Old Covenant prophecies that Yeshua fulfilled precisely. The following are some of those. Before looking at the prophecies and their fulfillments, I believe it is helpful to first read Jeremiah 31: 31-34:

“Behold the Days are coming’ declares the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah, not like the covenant which I made with their fathers in the day I took them by the hand to bring them out of Egypt, My covenant which they broke, although I was a husband to them,’ declares the Lord. But this is the covenant which I will make with the house of Israel after those days,’ declares the Lord, ‘I will put my law within them, and on their heart I will write it...for I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin I will remember no more.”

I. Messiah born of a virgin:

Prophecy: Isaiah 7:14

“Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: Behold a virgin will be with child and give birth to a son, and she will call His name Immanuel.”

Keep in mind while reading this verse that a more accurate translation of the Hebrew word that has been translated as “name” is actually “character or nature,” and a more accurate translation of the word “Immanuel” is “God with us.”

Fulfillment: Matthew 1:18-25; Luke 1:26-38

II. Messiah born in Bethlehem:

Prophecy: Micah 5:2-3

“But as for you, Bethlehem, Ephrathah, too little to be among the clans of Judah, from you One will go forth for Me to be ruler in Israel. His goings forth are from long ago, from the days of eternity. Therefore, He will give them up until the time when she who is in labor has born a child...And this one will be our peace.”

Fulfillment Matthew 2:1-6; Luke 2:1-20

III. Messiah executed by crucifixion, by having his hands and feet pierced, then they will divide his garments and cast lots for them

Prophecy: Psalm 22:16, 18

“...They pierced my hands and my feet...They look, they share at me; They divide my garments among them, and for my clothing they cast lots.”

Prophecy: Zechariah 12:10

“...they will look on Me whom they have pierced; and they will mourn for Him, as one mourns for an only son...”

Prophecy: Isaiah 53:5

“But He was pierced through for our transgressions, He was crushed for our inequities; The chastening for our well-being fell upon Him, and by His scourging we are healed.”

Prophecy: Isaiah 52:14

“Just as many were astonished at you, My people, so His appearance was marred more than any man, and His form more than the sons of men.”

Fulfillment: Matthew 27: 35, Luke 24:33-34, 24:39-40

IV. Messiah enters Jerusalem triumphantly while riding on a donkey:

Prophecy Zech 9:9

“...Shout in triumph oh daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; He is just and endowed with salvation, humble and mounted on a donkey¹, even a colt, the foal of a donkey.”

Fulfillment: *Matthew 21:1-9, John 12:12-16

V. Messiah would be Light to the Gentiles (the nations):

Prophecy: Isaiah 42:1,6,7

“Behold, My Servant, whom I uphold; My chosen one in whom My soul delights. I have put My Spirit upon Him...He will not cry out or raise His voice...I will appoint you as a covenant to the people, as a light to the nations, to open blind eyes, to bring out prisoners from the dungeon, and those who dwell in darkness from the prison.”

Prophecy: Isaiah 49:1,6

“...The Lord called Me from the womb; from the body of my mother He named Me...He says, It is too small a thing that You should be My Servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob, and to restore the preserved ones of Israel; I will also make You a light of the gentiles so that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth. Thus says the Lord...to the despised One, to the one abhorred by the nation.”

Fulfillment: *Acts 26:23, *Mark 10: 51-52

Luke 2: 31–33, *John 11: 49-54, Acts 13:45-49

¹Later in the Hebrew Scriptures (Dan 7:13) Messiah is prophesied as coming riding on a cloud. Thus, there are clearly two comings of Messiah—one on a donkey and one on a cloud.

VI. Messiah would be Light in Galilee:

Prophecy: Isaiah 9:1,2,6

“But there will be no more gloom for her who was in anguish; in earlier times He treated the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali with contempt, but later on He shall make it glorious, by the way of the sea, on the other side of Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles. The people who walk in darkness will see a great light...For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us.”

Fulfillment: Matthew 4:13-17

VII. Messiah would die for the sins of the world:

Prophecy: Isaiah 53:8

“...He was cut off out of the land of the living, For the transgression of my people to whom the stroke was due.”

Prophecy: Daniel 9:24-27

“Seventy weeks have been decreed for your people and your holy city to finish the transgression...to make atonement for iniquity...then Messiah will be cut off and have nothing...and he will make a firm covenant with the many...he will put a stop to sacrifice.”

Fulfillment: fulfilled throughout the new testament and in John 19:30

VIII. Messiah a sin sacrifice:

Prophecy: Isaiah 53:5,6,8,10-12

“But he was pierced through for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; The chastening for our well-being fell upon Him, and by His scourging we are healed...The Lord has caused the iniquity of us all to fall on Him. By oppression and judgement He was taken away;...He was cut off out of the land of the living for the transgression of my people to whom the stroke was due...He would render himself as a guilt offering...He Himself bore the sin of many, and interceded for the transgressors.”

Fulfillment: *John 1:29

Fulfillment: *Acts 10:43

Fulfillment: John 11:49-52

Fulfillment: Acts 13:38

IX. Messiah would speak in parables:

Prophecy: Psalm 78:2

“I will open my mouth in parable; I will utter dark sayings of old, which we have

heard and known, and our fathers have told us.”

Fulfillment: Throughout the New Covenant and in Matthew 13:34

X. Messiah is messenger for the New Covenant, He will serve as the New Covenant:

Prophecy: Malachi 3:1-3

“Behold, I am going to send My messenger...and the Lord, whom you seek, will suddenly come to His temple; and the messenger of the covenant in whom you delight, behold, He is coming....He is like a refiner’s fire and like a washer’s soap. And He will sit as a smelter and purifier of silver, and He will purify the sons of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, so that they may present to the Lord offerings in righteousness.”

Prophecy: Isaiah 42:6

*quoted above in section V.

*The New Covenant is also referred to in Jeremiah 31:31-33

Fulfillment: *Matthew 26:28

Fulfillment: John 3:16

XI. Messiah would be of line of David:

Prophecy: Jeremiah 23:5-6

“Behold, the days are coming,” declares the Lord, ‘When I shall raise up for David a righteous branch...In His days Judah will be saved...and this is His name by which He will be called; the Lord our righteousness.’”

Prophecy: Psalm 132: 11-12

“The Lord has sworn to David, a truth from which He will not turn back; Of the fruit of your body I will set upon your throne. If your sons will keep My covenant, and My testimony, which I will teach them, their sons also shall sit upon your throne forever.”

Fulfillment: *Matthew 1:1-16

Fulfillment: Luke 3:23-38

XII. Messiah tried and condemned:

Prophecy: Isaiah 53:8

“By oppression and judgement he was taken away...He was cut off out of the land of the living, for the transgression of my people to whom the stroke was due.”

*A more accurate translation of the word translated as “judgement” means-a verdict resulting in being sentenced to a punishment.

Fulfillment: *Matthew 27:1-2

Fulfillment: Luke 23:1-25

XIII. Messiah silent like lamb when accused:

Prophecy: Isa 53:7

“He was oppressed and He was afflicted, yet He did not open His mouth; like a lamb that is led to slaughter, and like a sheep that is silent before its shearers, so He did not open His mouth.”

Fulfillment: *Matthew 27:12-14

Fulfillment: Mark 15:3-4

Fulfillment: Luke 23:8-10

XIV. Messiah struck and spit at:

Prophecy: Isaiah 50:6

“I gave My back to those who strike Me, and My cheeks to those who pluck out the beard; I did not cover My face from humiliation and spitting.”

Fulfillment: *Matthew 26:67

Fulfillment: *Matthew 27:30

Fulfillment: *Mark 14:65

XV. Messiah counted among criminals and interceded for them:

Prophecy: Isaiah 53:12

“...He poured out Himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet He Himself bore the sin of many, and interceded for the transgressors.”

Fulfillment: *Luke 23:32-34 (Intercession)

Fulfillment: *Mark 15:27-28

Fulfillment: Matthew 27:38

XVI. Messiah resurrected:

Prophecy: Isaiah 53:10

“But the Lord was pleased to crush Him, putting Him to grief; He would render Himself as a guilt offering, He will see His offspring, He will prolong His days, And the good pleasure of the Lord will prosper in His hand.”

Prophecy: Psalms 16:10

“My flesh also will dwell securely. For Thou wilt not abandon my soul to Sheol; Neither wilt Thou allow Thy Holy One to undergo decay. Thou wilt make known to me the path of life.”

* “Sheol” means “the world of the dead; grave; hell.”

Fulfillment: ***Acts 2:23-36**

Fulfillment: Matthew 28: 1-20

Fulfillment: Acts 13:33-37

XVII. Messiah to be rejected by his own people:

Prophecy: Isaiah 49:7 (context is important to understand the following excerpt and how it is referring to the Messiah)

“Thus says the Lord...to the despised One, to the One loathed by the nation, to the Servant of rulers.”

Prophecy: Isaiah 53:1-3

“Who has believed our message? And to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed? For He grew up before Him like a tender shoot, and like a root out of parched ground; He has no stately form or majesty that we should look upon Him, Nor appearance that we should be attracted to Him. He was despised and forsaken of men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; and like one from whom men hide their face, He was despised and we did not esteem Him.”

Prophecy: Psalm 118:22

“The stone which the builders rejected has become the chief corner stone.”

Prophecy: Isaiah 6: 8-11

“Then I heard the voice of the Lord, saying ‘Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?’ Then I said, ‘Here I am. Send me!’ And He said, ‘Go, and tell this people: ‘Keep on listening but do not perceive; Keep on looking, but do not understand.’ ‘Render the hearts of this people insensitive, Their ears dull, and their eyes dim, Lest they see with their eyes; Hear with their ears, understand with their hearts, and convert and be healed.’ Then I said, ‘Lord how long?’ And He answered, “Until...”

*Keep in mind, Isaiah and God were discussing who God would send and God told Isaiah to tell the nation of Israel that they will not understand, etc...

*fulfilled throughout history

Fulfillment: *Acts 4:10-12

Fulfillment: John 12:37-43

Fulfillment: Matthew 26:3-4

XVIII. Messiah would come at a specific time, namely 69x7 years (483 years) after the rebuilding of the wall of Jerusalem

483 YEARS Daniel 9:24-27

"Seventy weeks have been decreed for your people and your holy city to finish the transgression to make an end to sin, to make an atonement for inequity, to bring in everlasting righteousness...(F)rom the issuing of a decree to restore and rebuild Jerusalem until Messiah the Prince there will be seven weeks and sixty-two weeks;...Then after the sixty-two weeks, the Messiah will be cut off and have nothing and the people of the prince who is to come will destroy the city and the sanctuary...And he will make a firm covenant with the many...he will put a stop to sacrifice."

There are many ways this is calculated -- In Nehemiah 2:1 we see the decree to rebuild, issued in the 20th year of King Artaxerxes, (about 445 B.C.) Messiah comes 483 years after the decree to rebuild is issued [Calculated by adding 7 weeks (49 years) + 62 weeks (434 years)] this arrives at about the time of Yeshua's triumphant entry in Jerusalem on a donkey. Messiah comes 434 years after rebuilding, or 483 years after decree is first issued giving permission to rebuild -- hence 483 years (7 weeks + 62 weeks). Working from earlier permissions to rebuild (Cyrus' earlier decree) arrives at about the birth of Yeshua, instead of near the end of His earthly life. Either way it's calculated, only Yeshua could be Messiah -- no one else fits into Daniel's time frame.

Luke 3: 1, 23, 43-44

Matthew 2:1, 16, 19

XIX. Messiah would be the son of God

Prophecy: Psalm 2: 7

"I will surely tell of the decree of the Lord: He said to me, 'Thou art my Son, today I have begotten thee. Ask of Me, and I will surely give the nations as Thine inheritance'"

Prophecy: Proverbs 30: 4

'Who has ascended into heaven and descended? Who has gathered the wind in his fists? Who has wrapped the waters in his garment? Who has established all the ends of the earth? What is His name or His son's name'?"

Fulfillment: throughout new covenant and Mathhew 3: 17 and Mark 3:11

XX. Messiah would be thirsty and given vinegar for his thirst

Prophecy: Psalm 69: 21

"They also gave me gall for my food, and for my thirst they gave me vinegar to drink."

Fulfillment: Matthew 27: 34, John 19: 28-29

XXI. Messiah would be with a rich man at his death

Prophecy: Isaiah 53:9

“His grave was assigned to be with wicked men, yet with a rich man in His death.”

Fulfillment: Matthew 27:57-60

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