

THE COMING CHRIST: A GREAT THEME OF THE OLD TESTAMENT: Lk. 24:25-27, 44; 1 Pet. 1:10-11

*The OT spoke of the first coming of Christ in over 300 prophecies. **Jesus came first as “the Suffering Servant.”** Some key OT prophecies and sketches of Christ:*

- He would be born in Bethlehem. Micah 5:2. Lk. 2:4-6.
- Born of a virgin. Is. 7:14. Lk. 1:26-31, 34-35.
- From the line of Abraham (Gen. 12:3; 22:18. Matt. 1:1); a descendant of Jacob (Num. 24:17. Matt. 1:2); from the tribe of Judah (Gen. 49:10. Lk. 3:33; Heb. 7:14).
- Children would be killed at Christ's birthplace. Jer. 31:15. Matt. 2:16-18.
- A messenger would prepare the way for the Messiah. Is. 40:3-5. Lk. 3:3-6.
- He would bring light to Galilee. Is. 9:1-2. Matt. 4:12-16.
- He would bring healing to the oppressed. Is. 61:1-2. Lk. 4:17-21.
- He would be the promised Prophet. Deut. 18:15. Acts 3:20-23.
- *Jesus would be the Lord's “**Suffering Servant**” to accomplish redemption* (Is. 53). The Messiah would be betrayed (Ps. 41:9; Lk. 22:47-48); betrayed for 30 pieces of silver (Zech. 11:12-13; Matt. 26:14-16); the silver used to buy a potter's field (Zech. 11:12-13; Matt. 27:6-10); He would be silent before His accusers (Is. 53:7; Mk. 15:3-5; He would be struck and spat upon (Is. 50:6; Matt. 26:67); He would be hated without a cause (Ps. 35:19; 69:4; Jn. 15:24-25); He would be mocked and ridiculed (Ps. 22:7-8; Lk. 23:35); His hands and feet would be pierced (Ps. 22:16; Lk. 24:39-40; Jn. 20:25-27); He would be pierced (Zech. 12:10; Jn. 19:34); He would be crucified with criminals (Is. 53:12; Matt. 27:38); those who crucified Him would gamble for His garments (Ps. 22:18; Matt. 27:35); He would be forsaken by God (Ps. 22:1; Matt. 27:46); He would be a sacrifice for sin (Is. 53:5-12; Rom. 5:6-8; 1 Pet. 2:24).
- He would be resurrected from the grave Ps. 16:10; Acts 2:24-28.

*The OT spoke of the second coming of Christ, when **He will come again as “the King of Glory.”***

- When Christ returns, He will judge the earth as He begins to establish His kingdom Ps. 96:10-13; 98:6-9.
- Ps. 24 depicts Christ coming triumphantly into Jerusalem following the final battle of this age. He is coming as “the King of glory.” (Ps. 24, especially 24:7-10).
- Zech. 14 shows us that all nations will gather to battle against Jerusalem. The Lord Himself will fight against them. A way of escape will be made for the remnant of the Jews who are being pursued by Antichrist's forces. The Lord will come and will be King over all the earth. Ps. 2 also describes this time when the nations rage against God and “His Anointed” (which means Christ). Christ will be installed as King on Mt. Zion in Jerusalem. Mic. 4:7 and Is. 24:23 confirm His reign on Mt. Zion. Is. 9:6-7 tell us that the Son given to us will be upon the throne of David and there will be no end to His government. This fulfills the Davidic Covenant made with David concerning His descendants (2 Sam. 7:8-17; Ps. 89:20-37; Matt. 19:28; 25:31; Lk. 1:32-33; Rev. 11:15).
- Some other passages describing the glory of the King's reign are Is. 2:2-4; 11:1-10; 35:5-10; 65:18-25; Ps. 72; Mic. 4:1-3.