

WE HAVE FOUND HIM! HAVE YOU?

John 1:45: Philip findeth Nathanael, and saith unto him, We have found Him, of Whom Moses in the Law, and the Prophets, did write, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.

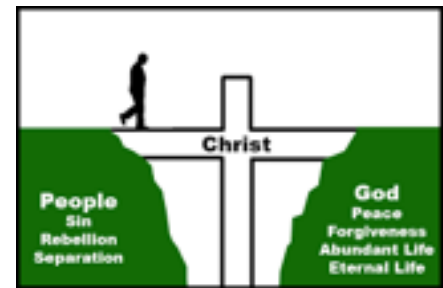
Acts 17:27: That they should seek the Lord, if haply they might feel after Him, and find Him, though He is not far from every one of us:

Isaiah 55:6: Seek ye the LORD while He may be found, call ye upon Him while He is near:

Romans 10:13: For whosoever shall call upon the Name of the Lord shall be Saved.

With a shout of triumph, Philip yells out to Nathanael: **“We have found Him of Whom Moses in the Law and in the Prophets did write”.** (John 1:45)

When the human heart is sick and tired of sinning and is awakened to the need of salvation and deliverance from sin, when it realizes the impossibility of saving itself and that no church save him, then he is ready to find Jesus, God’s remedy for sin.



Philip is so happy that his quest for forgiveness, heart cleansing, and peace with God, plus a knowing experience of being saved was too wonderful to keep to himself. He has found in Jesus, the Messiah, all that he had sought for all his lifetime. Philip told his friend that all the descriptions of the Coming Redeemer perfectly fit Jesus. Jesus measures up to all the Scriptures which prophesied of the Coming of a Savior.

Most of Israel missed seeing Jesus as the Redeemer from sin. They were not looking for heart cleansing and deliverance from the bondage and the yoke of sin. They were not interested in heart purity, for they were pretty good church members. All they wanted was deliverance from their enemies and the yoke of Roman iron rule. They were looking for the Messiah — (Messiah is the English word for Mashiach, the Hebrew word for Redeemer) — to come as King and Ruler Who was to sit upon the throne of David, of Whose Kingdom there would be no end. They knew **Daniel 2:44:**

Daniel 2:44: And in the days of these kings shall the God of Heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.



But what Israel failed to see is what most of this world fails to see today. Almost everyone wants liberty and freedom, but we are too blinded by the devil to realize our greatest need is spiritual liberty and freedom. Our sins have made us slaves, servants, and bondmen of satan. We cannot free ourselves. Therefore, God's greatest concern is to set our spirit free from sin, unrighteousness, and from satan; then we shall be free indeed. Thus, God sent His Son, first to Redeem, and after this work is completed, then He shall Rule over all the kingdoms of the world, and of His Kingdom there shall be no end (**Luke 1:33**).

Luke 1:33: And He shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of His Kingdom there shall be no end.

The very first Prophecy in the Bible tells of His Coming to bruise the serpent's head (satan, the old devil); and that the serpent would bruise His heel.

Genesis 3:15: And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her Seed [Jesus Christ]; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise His Heel.

In **Genesis 3:15**: This 'Seed of woman' (not of any man) Prophecy and Promise impressed Eve so much that she looked for immediate fulfillment in her first son.

Genesis 4:1: And Adam knew Eve his wife; and she conceived, and bare Cain, and said I have gotten a man from the LORD.

She yelled out, "***I have gotten a man, even the Lord!***" - (this is the literal translation of the Hebrew text in **Genesis 4:1**). But she was mistaken, for that first one she bore was a rebel, and not the Redeemer. Bless her heart, she had this much straight: The

promise of a Redeemer would be a woman's seed and not a man's from which all human life comes.

This fact is further established in the Prophecy of **Jeremiah 31:22**:

Jeremiah 31:22: How long wilt thou go about, O thou backsliding daughter? for the LORD hath created a new thing in the earth, A woman shall compass a man.

Here again is set forth how the Redeemer would come into a human body, yet be without a sinful nature like we have.

A woman shall be with child by a creative act of God, unaided by mortal man. To this Prophecy is added:

Isaiah 7:14: Therefore the Lord Himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a Son, and shall call His Name Immanuel [meaning - God with us].



This sign is no ordinary birth, but something as unusual, remarkable, and miraculous as to constitute a sign. Here, God reveals how Deity is to be clothed in humanity in becoming a Son to save us from our sins. Hearken to **Isaiah** again in Chapter **9:6-7**:

Isaiah 9:6-7:

⁶For unto us a Child is born, unto us a SON is given: and the Government shall be upon His shoulder: and His Name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace.

⁷ Of the increase of His Government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon His Kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even forever. The zeal of the LORD of Hosts will perform this.

In **Psalms 2**, we see the picture completed of this coming Redeemer when all nations set themselves against God and against His Anointed, Who is the Messiah. Note **Psalms 2:7-8**:

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7 I will declare the decree: the LORD hath said unto Me, Thou art My Son; this day have I begotten Thee.

8 Ask of Me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the Earth for Thy possession.

Notice in verses 11 and 12:

Psalms 2:11-12:

11 Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling.

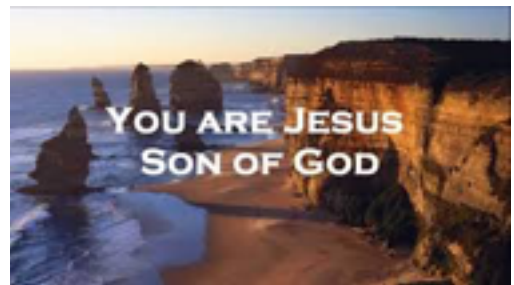
12 Kiss the Son, lest He be angry, and ye perish from the way, when His wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all they that put their trust in Him.

Here we see that the divine coming Messiah is called the Son of God to Whom all must do homage, in Whom we are to put our trust, and then we will be blessed.

Psalms 89:26-27:

26 He shall cry unto Me, Thou art my father, my God and they Rock of my Salvation.

27 Also I will make Him My Firstborn, higher than the kings of the earth.



Daniel 3:25: He answered and said, Lo, I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and they have no hurt; and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God.

Daniel 7:13: I saw in the night visions, and, behold, One like the Son of Man came with the clouds of Heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought Him near before Him [The Lord God].

Who was brought before Whom in this Scripture?

Moses, by divine inspiration, pictures the coming Redeemer also as SON in type, in the person of Isaac; not as Ruler, but as the Savior in the first description.

Genesis 22:2: And He said, Take now thy son, thine only son Isaac, whom thou lovest, and get thee into the land of Moriah; and offer him there for a Burnt Offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of.



The command was to offer Isaac as a sacrifice on a mount to be shown by God in the land of Moriah. The son is pictured carrying wood, which is a type of the Cross. Note this son is called the only SON. But Jesus is born contrary to laws of nature, and in the prime of life He is going to be offered up as a sacrifice. So, Jesus is the ONLY SON, miraculously born, Who came with one express purpose as prophesied in **Isaiah 62:11:**

Isaiah 62:11: Behold, the LORD hath proclaimed unto the end of the world, Say ye to the daughter of Zion, Behold, thy salvation cometh; behold, His reward is with Him, and His work before Him.

Isaiah 63:1: Who is this Who cometh from Edom, with dyed garments from Bozrah? This Who is glorious in His apparel, travelling in the greatness of His strength? I, Who speak in righteousness, mighty to save.

Isaiah 53:3: He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from Him; He was despised, and we esteemed Him not.

Isaiah 53:4, 5a:

⁴ Surely He hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem Him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.

^{5a} But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities:

In these verses, the pronoun He cannot be referring to Israel, for in **Ezekiel 18:20**, it reads:

Ezekiel 18:20: The soul that sinneth, it shall die. The son shall not bear the iniquity of the Father; neither shall the Father bear the iniquity of the son:

the righteousness of the righteous shall be upon him, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon him.

Then we read in ***Isaiah 53:5b: The chastisement of our peace was upon HIM; and with HIS stripes we are healed.***

Isaiah 50:6: I gave My back to the smiters, and My cheeks to them that plucked off the hair: I hid not My face from shame and spitting.

Matthew 26:67: Then did they spit in His face, and buffeted Him; and others smote Him with the palms of their hands,



Isaiah 52:14: As many were astonished at Thee; His visage was so marred more than any man, and His form more than the sons of men.

The Prophecy in ***Micah 5:1*** about this tragedy says: ***They shall smite the Judge of Israel with a rod upon the cheek.*** This smitten One cannot be Israel as a nation, but MUST be Israel's Redeemer, for the Scripture further reads:

Micah 5:2: But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall He come forth unto Me Who is to be Ruler of Israel; Whose goings forth have been of old, from everlasting.

Isaiah 53:6: All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on Him [Jesus] the iniquity of us all.

Acts 8:35: Then Philip opened his mouth, and began at the same Scripture, and preached unto him Jesus.

Philip has found Him of Whom Moses and Prophets did write, therefore; he can tell others the good news of what Jesus did to save us from our sins because he was saved. What is so good about Philip is that from the first time he is introduced, he is winning souls to Christ, and after years have passed, he hasn't graduated from being

a soul winner. Yet he is still going everywhere telling everyone about his wonderful Lord and Savior.

Isaiah 53:7: He was oppressed, and He was afflicted, yet He opened not His mouth: He is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so He openeth not His mouth.

He was taken from prison and from judgment, and who shall declare His generation? He was cut off, taken out of the land of the living. Notice further in ***Daniel 9:24*** (below), the remarkable Prophecy telling when the Messiah would come, and after three score and two weeks God shall cut off the Messiah. According to the calendar, the date on which the 70 weeks began was March 14, 445 B.C., in the 20th year of Artaxerxes, when the commandment went forth to restore the rebuilt Jerusalem. Adding 60 weeks of years, or 173,880 days according to the Measure in ***Genesis 29:27-28***, it ended on April 6, 32 A.D. This date is exactly the day on which Jesus, in fulfillment of ***Zechariah 9:9***, entered Jerusalem riding upon a colt, the foal of an ass. ***Behold, thy King cometh unto thee; He is just and having salvation.***

Daniel 9:24: Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an 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.

Genesis 29:27-28:

²⁷Fulfil her week, and we will give thee this also for the service which thou shalt serve with me yet seven other years.

²⁸ And Jacob did so, and fulfilled her week: and he gave him Rachel his daughter to wife also.

Zechariah 9:9: Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King cometh unto thee: He is just, and having salvation; lowly, and riding upon an ass, and upon a colt the foal of an ass.

To reject Jesus is to be without salvation for ***Isaiah 53:8*** further declares that the Messiah was cut off out of the land of the living for the transgression of "MY PEOPLE".

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Isaiah 53:9: And He made His grave with the wicked, and with the rich in His death; because He had done no violence, neither was any deceit in His mouth.

- **And He made His grave with the wicked.** (cf. **He was numbered with the transgressors** (see **Isaiah 53:12** below), fulfilled when He died between two thieves on the Cross);
- **and with the rich in His death** (fulfilled when laid in the tomb of a wealthy Jew named Joseph of Armathaea who begged the body of Jesus, being a secret believer because of persecution against all who confessed Jesus as their Messiah).
- **Because He had done no violence, neither was any deceit in His mouth** (does not fit any person or persons here on earth born of the seed of Adam).

Isaiah 53:12: Therefore will I divide Him a portion with the great, and He shall divide the spoil with the strong; because He hath poured out His soul unto death: and He was numbered with the transgressors; and He bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

Jeremiah 17:9: The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?

Why oh why all this awful treatment to such a Person Who would not even fight back at His revilers and persecutors? It shows this could only be the Son of God. For God laid on Him the iniquities of us all; and in verse 10 (**Isaiah 53:10a**) it says:



Yet it pleased the Lord to bruise Him, He hath put Him to grief; when Thou dost make HIS SOUL AN OFFERING FOR SIN.



This is the key verse to the whole plan of our redemption from sin. It continues:

Isaiah 53:10b: He shall see His seed, He shall prolong His days, and the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in His hand.

Jesus died for us. He became our sin offering. **Psalms 40:7-8 and Psalms 45:2-8:**

Psalms 40:7-8:

⁷Then said I, Lo, I come: in the volume of the Book it is written of Me,

⁸ I delight to do Thy Will, O My God: yea, Thy Law is within My heart.

Psalms 45:2-8:

²Thou art fairer than the children of men: grace is poured into Thy lips: therefore God hath blessed Thee forever.

³ Gird Thy sword upon Thy thigh, O most mighty, with Thy glory and Thy majesty.

⁴ And in Thy majesty ride prosperously because of truth and meekness and righteousness; and Thy right hand shall teach Thee terrible things.

⁵ Thine arrows are sharp in the heart of the king's enemies; whereby the people fall under Thee.

⁶ Thy Throne, O God, is forever and ever: the sceptre of Thy kingdom is a right sceptre.

⁷ Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness: therefore God, Thy God, hath anointed Thee with the oil of gladness above Thy fellows.

⁸ All Thy garments smell of myrrh, and aloes, and cassia, out of the ivory palaces, whereby they have made Thee glad.

Jesus now says: ***I am the Door; by Me, if any man enters, he shall be saved.***

John 10:9: I am the Door: by Me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.

Romans 10:10: For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto Salvation.

John 1:11-12:

¹¹He came unto His Own, and His Own received Him not.

¹² But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His Name:

John 3:17: For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be saved.

Zechariah 9:9: Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King cometh unto thee: He is just, and having salvation; lowly, and riding upon an ass, and upon a colt the foal of an ass.

God gloriously blesses and rewards HIS SON for giving HIS life a ransom for all, purchasing us by HIS Blood, by raising HIM from the dead (as foretold by David).

Psalms 16:10: For Thou wilt not leave my soul in Hell; neither wilt Thou suffer Thine Holy One to see corruption.

The reward is proclaimed in ***Isaiah 53:11-12*** and ***Psalms 118:22***, i.e., ***“The stone which the builders rejected is become the Head of the corner.”*** See also ***Matthew 21:42*** and ***Psalms 110:1***.



Isaiah 53:11-12:

¹¹He shall see of the travail of His soul, and shall be satisfied: by His knowledge shall My righteous Servant justify many; for He shall bear their iniquities.

¹² Therefore will I divide Him a portion with the great, and He shall divide the spoil with the strong; because He hath poured out His soul unto death: and He was numbered with the transgressors; and He bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

Psalms 118:22: The stone which the builders refused is become the Head Stone of the corner.

Matthew 21:42: Jesus saith unto them: Did ye never read in the Scriptures; the Stone which the builders rejected, the same is become the Head of the corner: this is the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes?

Psalms 110:1: The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit Thou at My right hand, until I make Thine enemies Thy footstool.

Finally, Hosea speaks of His return to Heaven, how long He will remain, and when He will return again as King of kings and Lord of lords! Be sure to read these next passages.

Hosea 5:15: I will go and return to My place, till they acknowledge their offense, and seek My face: in their affliction they will seek Me early.

Zechariah 12:10:

And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the Spirit of Grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon Me Whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for Him, as one mourneth for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for Him, as one that is in bitterness for his firstborn.

Revelation 1:7:

Behold, He cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see Him, and they also which pierced Him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of Him. Even so, Amen.



Acts 3:19-21:

¹⁹Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the Presence of the Lord;

²⁰ And He shall send Jesus Christ, which before was preached unto you:

²¹ Whom the Heaven must receive until the times of restitution of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all His Holy Prophets since the world began.

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