

## The Holy Bible and the Promised Messiah - Truth or Myth

### Meeting 1 - One Man Qualified to be the Messiah to Save Mankind

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- III. The Man qualified to be the Messiah
  - A. Jesus Christ as the Messiah was anointed King on the exact day that He would appear

Dan. 9:25, "Know therefore and understand, That from the going forth of the command To restore and build

Jerusalem Until Messiah the Prince, There shall be seven weeks and sixty-two weeks; The street shall be built again, and the wall, Even in troublesome times. Neh. 2:1, “And it came to pass in the month of Nisan, in the twentieth year of King Artaxerxes, when wine was before him, that I took the wine and gave it to the king. Now I had never been sad in his presence before.” John 12:12-16, “The next day a great multitude that had come to the feast, when they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, took branches of palm trees and went out to meet Him, and cried out: “Hosanna! ‘Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!’ The King of Israel!” Then Jesus, when He had found a young donkey, sat on it; as it is written: “Fear not, daughter of Zion; Behold, your King is coming, Sitting on a donkey’s colt.”

B. The Eternal One’s birthplace - Bethlehem

Micah 5:22, ““But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, *Though* you are little among the thousands of Judah, *Yet* out of you shall come forth to Me The One to be Ruler in Israel, Whose goings forth *are* from of old, From everlasting.”

Luke 2:4-7, “Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, to be registered with Mary, his betrothed wife, who was with child. So it was, that while they were there, the days were completed for her to be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

C. Savior King humbled Himself to come to save mankind  
Zech. 9:9, ““Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your King is coming to you; He is just and having salvation, Lowly and riding on a donkey, A colt, the foal of a donkey.”

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IV. Jesus Christ as the Messiah did not come for Himself, but to save us

Dan. 9:26a, “And after the sixty-two weeks Messiah shall be cut off, but not for Himself;”

John 1:29, “The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, “Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!”

John 3:16, “For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.”

Mark 16:16, “He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned.”

John 16:8-9, “And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: of sin, because they do not believe in Me;”

Rom. 10:9-10, “that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

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**Meeting 2 - The Anointed One, the Messiah to Fulfill God's Purpose**

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  - B. Only one Man qualified to be the Messiah
    - 1. Jesus Christ appeared in Jerusalem on the appointed day to be anointed the King of Jews (Dan. 9:25, John 12:12-16)
    - 2. Jesus Christ as the Eternal One must be born in the city of Bethlehem (Micah 5:22; Luke 2:4-7)

3. Jesus Christ, as King, humbled himself to come to bring salvation to mankind (Zechariah 9:9; John 12:13-15)
4. Only the Man who met all these qualifications can be the Messiah, to be the Savior of mankind

### III. The Man who fulfilled God's purpose

#### A. Messiah will be cut off - crucified

Dan. 9:26, "And after the sixty-two weeks **Messiah shall be cut off**, but not for Himself; And the people of the prince who is to come Shall destroy the city and the sanctuary. The end of it shall be with a flood, And till the end of the war desolations are determined."

#### 1. His suffering on our behalf

Isaiah 53:4-7,12 "Surely He has borne our griefs And carried our sorrows; Yet we esteemed Him stricken, Smitten by God, and afflicted. But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; The chastisement for our peace was upon Him, And by **His stripes we are healed**. All we like sheep have gone astray; We have turned, every one, to his own way; And the LORD has laid on Him the iniquity of us all. **He was oppressed and He was afflicted, Yet He opened not His mouth**; He was led **as a lamb to the slaughter**, And as a sheep before its shearers is silent, So He opened not His mouth. Therefore I will divide Him a portion with the great, And He shall divide the spoil with the strong, Because He 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."

John 1:29, "Behold the **Lamb of God**, who takes away the sin of the world"

1 Peter 2:23-25, "who, when **He was reviled, did not revile in return**; when He suffered, He did not threaten, but committed Himself to Him who judges righteously; who **Himself bore our sins** in His own

body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness—**by whose stripes you were healed.** For you were like sheep going astray, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.”

Mark 15:27-28, “**With Him they also crucified two robbers**, one on His right and the other on His left. So the Scripture was fulfilled which says, ‘**And He was numbered with the transgressors.**’”

2. The details of the death of the Messiah

a. The type of death - by crucifixion and His garments were divided

Psalm 22:16-18 “For dogs have surrounded Me; The congregation of the wicked has enclosed Me. **They pierced My hands and My feet; I can count all My bones. They look and stare at Me. They divide My garments among them, And for My clothing they cast lots.**”

Matt. 27:35, “Then they **crucified Him**, and divided His garments, casting lots, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet: “**They divided My garments among them, And for My clothing they cast lots.**”

b. On the cross, He prayed, “My God, My God, why have you forsaken Me?”

Ps. 22:1, “My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me? Why are You so far from helping Me, And from the words of My groaning?”

Matt. 27:46, “And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, “Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?” that is, “My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?”

B. Messiah will come a second time - the consummation, to fulfill God’s purpose

Dan. 9:27, “Then he shall confirm a covenant with many for one week; But in the middle of the week He shall bring an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the

wing of abominations shall be one who makes desolate, Even until the consummation, which is determined, Is poured out on the desolate.”

1. As the King to reign over the earth

Zech. 14:9, “And the Lord shall be King over all the earth. In that day it shall be— “The Lord is one,” And His name one.

Ps. 2:8, “Ask of Me, and I will give You The nations for Your inheritance, And the ends of the earth for Your possession.

Rev. 20:4b, “...And they lived and reigned with Christ for a thousand years.

Rev. 20:6b, “...but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years.

2. He will reign together with His people

Dan. 7:18, “But the saints of the Most High shall receive the kingdom, and possess the kingdom forever, even forever and ever.”

Dan. 7:22, “until the Ancient of Days came, and a judgment was made in favor of the saints of the Most High, and the time came for the saints to possess the kingdom.”

Dan. 7:27, “Then the kingdom and dominion, And the greatness of the kingdoms under the whole heaven, Shall be given to the people, the saints of the Most High. His kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, And all dominions shall serve and obey Him.

Rev. 1:5-6, “and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler over the kings of the earth. To Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood, and has made us kings and priests to His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.”

Rev. 1:5:9-10, “And they sang a new song, saying:

“You are worthy to take the scroll, And to open its seals; For You were slain, And have redeemed us to God by Your blood Out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation, And have made us kings and priests to our God; And we shall reign on the earth.”

IV. Jesus Christ as the Messiah not only came to save us, but also wants to make us kings and priests to reign with Him in the coming Millennial Kingdom age

A. We must be born again

John 3:5-6, “Jesus answered, “Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

B. Learn to follow and obey the Captain of our salvation Heb. 2:10-11, “For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons to glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For both He who sanctifies and those who are being sanctified are all of one, for which reason He is not ashamed to call them brethren,”

C. Cooperate with our Great High Priest

Heb. 7:24-26, “But He, because He continues forever, has an unchangeable priesthood. Therefore He is also able to save to the uttermost those who come to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them. For such a High Priest was fitting for us, who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and has become higher than the heavens;”

D. Qualified to be kings and priests in the coming kingdom age

Rev. 20:6, “Blessed and holy is he who has part in the first resurrection. Over such the second death has no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years.”