

# BIBLICAL PARALLELS

## Jesus Fulfills Messianic Prophecies

The word "Christ" comes from the Greek translation of the Hebrew Messiah, which means "anointed". It became the name proper to Jesus only because he accomplished perfectly the divine mission that "Christ" signifies. Jesus fulfilled the messianic hope of Israel in his threefold office of priest, prophet and king. (CCC 436). Scripture reveals that Jesus fulfilled Messianic prophecies of the Old Testament.

### THE MESSIAH'S ORIGINS

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| A kingdom and ruler of Israel shall come from Judah. (Genesis 49:10; Micah 5:1) | → | Jesus is from the line of Judah. (Matthew 1:1-2; Luke 3: 23-33)                              |
| The Messiah will be born of a young virgin woman. (Isaiah 7:14)                 | → | A young virgin from Nazareth, Mary, gave birth to Jesus. (Matthew 1:18, 24-25; Luke 1:26-35) |
| The Messiah will be preceded by a messenger. (Isaiah 40:3; Malachi 3:1)         | → | Saint John the Baptist was sent to proclaim Jesus' coming. (Luke 1:17; John 1:23)            |
| Israel's ruler will come from Bethlehem. (Micah 5:1)                            | → | Jesus was born in Bethlehem. (Matthew 2:1,4-8; Luke 2:4-7)                                   |

### THE MESSIAH'S CHARACTERISTICS

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| The Messiah will speak to his people in parables. (Psalm 78:2)           | → | Jesus spoke to the people in parables. (Matthew 13:34-35) |
| The Messiah will cure the sick, blind, and deaf. (Isaiah 32:3-4; 35:5-6) | → | Jesus cured the blind, deaf, and lame. (Matthew 9:32-35)  |
| The Messiah will be rejected by His people. (Isaiah 53:3)                | → | Jesus was rejected by His own people. (John 1:11; 7:1-5)  |

### THE MESSIAH AND SALVATION

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| They will divide the Messiah's garments among them. (Psalm 22:19) | → | They divided Jesus' garments among them. (Matthew 25:35; Luke 23:34) |
| The Messiah will not have broken bones. (Psalm 34:21)             | → | None of Jesus' bones were broken. (John 19:33-36)                    |
| The Messiah will be betrayed by a friend.. (Psalm 55:13-15)       | → | Jesus was betrayed by his disciple, Judas. (John 13:21)              |
| The Messiah will remain silent before His accusers. (Isaiah 53:7) | → | Jesus remained silent before His accusers. (Mark 14:61; Luke 23:9)   |
| His side will be pierced. (Zechariah 12:10)                       | → | Jesus' side was pierced. (John 19:34-37)                             |