



**Messiah**  
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**MESSIAH**

The Hebrew "mashiach" means "anointed one."

In its broad meaning, the Messiah pointed to someone who is appointed (chosen) and anointed by God for a specific purpose.

The New Testament title of Christ is derived from the Greek "*Christos*" which is exactly equivalent to the Hebrew mashiach, for it is also rooted in the idea of "to smear with oil."

So, when we say: Jesus Christ, we are literally saying: Jesus the Messiah.  
We are affirming that this Jesus is the Messiah.

**WHAT DID THE PROPHETS FORETELL ABOUT THE MESSIAH?**

There were many prophecies starting from Genesis that pointed to the Messiah. For brevity, we quickly mention a few of these prophecies:

- a) He would be the seed of a woman (Genesis 3:15)
- b) He would come through the lineage of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob (Genesis 12:3,17-19)
- c) He would be a descendant of Judah (Genesis 49:10)
- d) He would be born in Bethlehem (Micah 5:2). In approximately 700 BC, the prophet Micah named the tiny village of Bethlehem as the birthplace of Israel's Messiah (Micah 5:2). The fulfillment of this prophecy in the birth of Christ is one of the most widely known and widely celebrated facts in history. Probability that this prophecy would have been fulfilled by chance = 1 in  $10^5$ .
- e) He would be born of a virgin (Isaiah 7:14)
- f) He would be in Egypt for some time (Hosea 11:1)
- g) He would grow up in Nazareth and be called a Nazarene (Matthew 22:14-16)
- h) The Messiah will enter Jerusalem riding on a donkey (Zechariah 9:9).
- i) He would be betrayed by His close friend (Psalm 41:9)
- j) He would be betrayed for thirty pieces of silver and that this money would be used to buy a burial ground (Zechariah 11:12-13, Matthew 27:3-10). Prophesied about 500 years beforehand. Probability that this prophecy would have been fulfilled by chance = 1 in  $10^{11}$ .



- k) He would be crucified (Psalm 22:14-16, Isaiah 53)
- l) He would suffer no broken bones at His crucifixion (Psalm 34:30). Probability that this prophecy would have been fulfilled by chance = 1 in  $10^{13}$ .
- m) He would observe men casting lots for His clothing (Psalm 34:20).
- n) He would live again (Psalm 16:10).

### WHY DOES THE MESSIAH MATTER TO US?

Because the promise of the Messiah was to “bless all families of the earth” (Genesis 12:3).

Through Abraham’s Seed (descendant), all nations of the earth would be blessed (Genesis 22:18).

The Messiah would be a light to the gentiles (Isaiah 42:1-7).

The Messiah would sprinkle many nations (Isaiah 52:13-15).

### THE MESSIAH WAS GOD'S ANOINTED NOT JUST FOR THE JEWISH PEOPLE, BUT FOR ALL PEOPLE OF ALL NATIONS.

Everything the Messiah came to be and do – was for all people, of all nations, for all time.

### CHRIST THE MESSIAH

Two thousand years ago when the angels announced the birth of Jesus to the Shepherds, they said:

**Luke 2:11**

**For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ (Messiah) the Lord.**

The Savior, The Messiah, The Lord – this is how the angels introduced Jesus!

### HOW DID THE DISCIPLES RECOGNIZE THE MESSIAH?

Some people received a revelation from God, that this Jesus was the Messiah.

Some believed in Him because of the supernatural works He did.

Some, later understood the Scriptures, and believed on Him as the Messiah.

### Revelation



The angels announced this at the time of Jesus' birth.  
Simeon and Anna the prophetess (Luke 2:25-38), the Holy Spirit revealed to them.  
John the Baptist (John 1:33-34)  
Peter (Matthew 16:17)

### Signs

Nathaneal believed in him because of a word of knowledge.  
Many believed in Him because of the signs (John 2:23).

### Scriptures

Jesus to the Scribes - search the Scriptures - they testify of me.  
Jesus on the road to Emmaus (Luke 24:27,34,35).

### WHY DID RELIGIOUS LEADERS FAIL TO RECOGNIZE THE MESSIAH?

Some were **Ignorant** - (Act 3:17-18 "Yet now, brethren, I know that you did it in ignorance, as did also your rulers. But those things which God foretold by the mouth of all His prophets, that the Christ would suffer, He has thus fulfilled.")

Some were **Blinded** by their own views, perceptions, and expectations. They could not recognize the signs of the times. Some were blinded because they refused to see (Matthew 13:13-17; 1 Corinthians 2:6-8).

### THE EARLY CHURCH PREACHED THAT JESUS IS THE MESSIAH.

After Christ's resurrection, the key message that the Early Church proclaimed was that this Jesus has risen from the dead and He is the Christ – the Messiah.

Peter preaching the very first sermon on the day of Pentecost announced:

#### Acts 2:36

**"Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ."**

Just like the angels announced: Jesus (Savior), Lord, Christ (Messiah)

Once again, in his sermon after the healing of the lame man, Peter, pointing to the risen Jesus, announced:

#### Acts 3:18



**But those things which God foretold by the mouth of all His prophets, that the Christ would suffer, He has thus fulfilled.**

This was the main theme of the Gospel that Paul preached:

**Acts 9:20**

**Immediately he preached the Christ in the synagogues, that He is the Son of God.**

**Acts 13:32-33**

**32 And we declare to you glad tidings—that promise which was made to the fathers.**

**33 God has fulfilled this for us their children, in that He has raised up Jesus.**

**Acts 18:5**

**When Silas and Timothy had come from Macedonia, Paul was compelled by the Spirit, and testified to the Jews that **Jesus is the Christ**.**

#### **WHAT DOES JESUS THE MESSIAH DO FOR YOU AND ME TODAY?**

Jesus Christ, Jesus the Messiah.

He is the appointed and anointed One, to be Savior and Lord.

He is the Messiah, who is Savior and Lord.

As the appointed and anointed One, the Lord Jesus died on the Cross for our sins. He dealt with sin and its consequences on the Cross. He conquered satan.

Everything Jesus did on the Cross, He did for each person, for all of us.

#### **JESUS CAME TO BE MESSIAH, THE ANOINTED ONE, IN OUR LIVES.**

Jesus Christ came to be Savior and Lord of our lives.

He came to release us from the power of sin and satan.

He came to bring us to God, so that we can be sons and daughters of God.

#### **HE IS GOD'S FINAL WORD TO YOU AND ME!**

Hebrews 1:1-3

**1 God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets,**



**2** has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds;  
**3** who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,

He is the fulfillment of all the prophecies about the Messiah.  
He is the Messiah whom the prophets spoke about.  
He is God speaking to you and me.  
He is God's exact revelation and representation to you and me.

### **WILL YOU RECEIVE JESUS CHRIST?**

**John 1:12**

But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name:

### **THE MESSIAH IS COMING!**

The prophet Daniel foretold:

**Daniel 7:13-14**

**13** "I was watching in the night visions, And behold, One like the Son of Man, Coming with the clouds of heaven! He came to the Ancient of Days, And they brought Him near before Him.

**14** Then to Him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, That all peoples, nations, and languages should serve Him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion, Which shall not pass away, And His kingdom the one Which shall not be destroyed.

The Lord Jesus pointed to Himself, as the Son of Man and as the One who would fulfill this:

**Matthew 24:30**

Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.



### Matthew 26:64

Jesus said to him, "It is as you said. Nevertheless, I say to you, hereafter you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Power, and coming on the clouds of heaven."

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### SERMON OUTLINE

The prophets foretold about the Messiah, the appointed and anointed One, who was for all people of all nations. The odds that one man in history could fulfill all these indicators were highly improbable, almost impossible. And then came Jesus, who fulfilled what the prophets foretold. This Jesus is the Messiah. He came to be Messiah, Savior, and Lord in our lives. A simple Gospel message pointing us to Jesus.



## KEYWORDS

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