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Only God can predict the future with 100% accuracy. That's what makes the Holy Scriptures—The Bible—stand alone among all books of the world. It's the greatest love letter ever written. The whole theme of the Book is to tell you how special you are to the One that matters most—God Himself. That's why He sent Jesus Christ—and gave over 300 prophecies that only the Son of God fulfilled in His first coming and will complete in His soon return. If you haven't met the real Jesus, you're about to. And if you already know Him, your faith in Bible facts will be made stronger. I'm Frank Eiklor. He's Tom Hughes. Here comes Part 2 of "Search For The Messiah"—Evidence that demands your verdict—on More Than Talk.

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In our last study, we looked at 20 prophecies that Jesus Christ fulfilled in His first coming as God's sacrifice for man's sin. We will now view more prophecies from the past and then seven more incredible prophecies that will be fulfilled when Christ comes again—not to die but to reign. Only God can perfectly predict future events with no error. This should fill us with great confidence in His Word and great power as we share His love with those who are searching for meaning to life.

21. PIERCED HANDS AND FEET

Prophecy—Zechariah 12:10

"And I will pour on the house of David and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem the Spirit of grace and supplication; then they will look on Me whom they pierced. Yes, they will mourn for Him as one mourns for *his* only *son*, and grieve for Him as one grieves for a firstborn."

Fulfilled—John 20:27

"Then He said to Thomas, Reach your finger here, and look at My hands; and reach your hand *here*, and put *it* into My side. Do not be unbelieving, but believing."

22. SCORNED AND MOCKED

Prophecy—Psalms 22:7,8

All those who see Me ridicule Me; They shoot out the lip, they shake the head, *saying*, "He trusted in the LORD, let Him rescue Him; let Him deliver Him, since He delights in Him!"

Fulfilled—Luke 23:35

"And the people stood looking on. But even the rulers with them sneered, saying, He saved others; let Him save Himself if He is the Christ, the chosen of God."

23. GIVEN VINEGAR AND GALL

Prophecy—Psalms 69:21

"They also gave me gall for my food, and for my thirst they gave me vinegar to drink."

Fulfilled—Matthew 27:34

"They gave Him sour wine mingled with gall to drink. But when He had tasted *it*, He would not drink."

24. PRAYS FOR HIS ENEMIES

Prophecy—Psalms 109:4

"In return for my love they are my accusers, but I give myself to prayer."

Fulfilled—Luke 23:34

"Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do. And they divided His garments and cast lots."

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25. SOLDIERS GAMBLED FOR HIS COAT

Prophecy—Psalms 22:17,18

"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."

Fulfilled—Matthew 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."

26. NONE OF HIS BONES TO BE BROKEN

Prophecy—Psalms 34:20

"He guards all his bones; Not one of them is broken."

Fulfilled—John 19:32,33,36

"Then the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first and of the other who was crucified with Him. But when they came to Jesus and saw that He was already dead, they did not break His legs. For these things were done that the Scripture should be fulfilled, "Not *one* of His bones shall be broken."

27. MADE AN OBJECT OF REPROACH

Prophecy—Psalms 109:25

"I also have become a reproach to them; w*hen* they look at me, they shake their heads."

Fulfilled—Matthew 27:39

"And those who passed by blasphemed Him, wagging their heads."

28. HIS SIDE TO BE PIERCED

Prophecy—Zechariah 12:10

"And I will pour on the house of David and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem the Spirit of grace and supplication; then they will look on Me whom they pierced. Yes, they will mourn for Him as one mourns for *his* only *son*, and grieve for Him as one grieves for a firstborn."

Fulfilled—John 19:34

"But one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and immediately blood and water came out."

29. HIS AGONIZED CRY AS HE TOOK ON HIMSELF THE SIN OF THE WORLD

Prophecy—Psalms 22:1

"My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?"

Fulfilled—Matthew 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?"

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30. HIS HEART WOULD BE BROKEN

Prophecy—Psalms 22:14

"I am poured out like water, and all My bones are out of joint; My heart is like wax; it has melted within Me."

Fulfilled—John 19:34

"But one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and immediately blood and water came out."

31. DARKNESS OVER THE LAND AS HE DIED

Prophecy—Amos 8:9

"And it shall come to pass in that day," says the Lord GoD, that I will make the sun go down at noon, and I will darken the earth in broad daylight."

Fulfilled—Matthew 27:45

"Now from the sixth hour until the ninth hour there was darkness over all the land."

32. BURIED WITH THE RICH

Prophecy—Isaiah 53:9

"And they made His grave with the wicked, but with the rich at His death, because He had done no violence, nor *was any* deceit in His mouth."

Fulfilled—Matthew 27:57-60

"Now when evening had come, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who himself had also become a disciple of Jesus. This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate commanded the body to be given to him. When Joseph had taken the body, he wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, and laid it in his new tomb which he had hewn out of the rock; and he rolled a large stone against the door of the tomb, and departed."

33. TO BE RESURRECTED

Prophecy—Psalms 16:10

"For You will not leave my soul in Sheol, Nor will You allow Your Holy One to see corruption."

Fulfilled—Mark 16:6

"But he said to them, do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He is risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid Him."

34. HIS ASCENSION TO GOD'S RIGHT HAND

Prophecy—Psalms 68:18

"You have ascended on high, You have led captivity captive; You have received gifts among men, even *from* the rebellious, that the LORD God might dwell *there*."

Fulfilled—Mark 16:19

"Now when *He* rose early on the first *day* of the week, He appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom He had cast seven demons."

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PROPHECIES AWAITING FULFILLMENT

Many people—both Jewish and Gentile—point out the prophecies concerning peace on earth and say that Jesus could not be the Messiah because the world has seen everything *but* peace. But prophecy, seen from afar, is like twin peaks that look like a single mountain. Viewed up close, the two peaks—with a long valley in between—stand out. So it is in the first coming of the Lord of glory...and His promise to return. The following fabulous prophecies await His fulfillment.

1. MESSIAH WILL RULE AS KING OVER THE EARTH

Zechariah 14:3,4,9

"Then the LORD will go forth and fight against those nations, as He fights in the day of battle and in that day His feet will stand on the Mount of Olives, which faces Jerusalem on the east. And the Mount of Olives shall be split in two, from east to west, making a very large valley; half of the mountain shall move toward the north and half of it toward the south. And the LORD shall be King over all the earth. In that day it shall be—the LORD *is* one, and His name one."

2. MESSIAH WILL BRING IN HIS REIGN OF EVERLASTING PEACE

Isaiah 9:7

Of the increase of *His* government and peace there will be no end, upon the throne of David and over His kingdom, to order it and establish it with judgment and justice from that time forward, even forever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.

Micah 4:3

"And he shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people: and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more."

3. MESSIAH WILL END ALL WAR, KILLING AND DESTRUCTION

Isaiah 2:4

"He shall judge between the nations, and rebuke many people; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore."

Isaiah 11:9

"They shall not hurt nor destroy in all My holy mountain, for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea."

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4. MESSIAH'S RETURN WILL CHANGE EVEN THE NATURE OF THE BEAST

Isaiah 11:6-8

"The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the young goat, the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze; their young ones shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play by the cobra's hole, and the weaned child shall put his hand in the viper's den."

5. MESSIAH'S RETURN WILL CAUSE GOD'S GLORY TO COVER THE EARTH

Isaiah 11:9

"They shall not hurt nor destroy in all My holy mountain, for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea."

Habakkuk 2:14

"For the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea."

6. MESSIAH'S REIGN WILL EXCHANGE ARMAMENTS FOR AGRICULTURE

Micah 4:3

"He shall judge between many peoples, and rebuke strong nations afar off; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore."

7. MESSIAH WILL LITERALLY REIGN ON A NEW AND BEAUTIFUL EARTH

Isaiah 9:6,7

"For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; and the government will be upon His shoulder. and His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the increase of *His* government and peace *there will be* no end, upon the throne of David and over His kingdom, to order it and establish it with judgment and justice from that time forward, even forever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this."

CONCLUSION

There are over 300 messianic prophecies in the Old Testament. We can now look back at many prophecies fulfilled in Christ's first coming. But a future day will dawn when we will look back at His second coming and sing with the choirs of heaven to Jesus our King, "How great Thou art!" Our question to you is, "Do you know Him?" Let us tell you how you can!