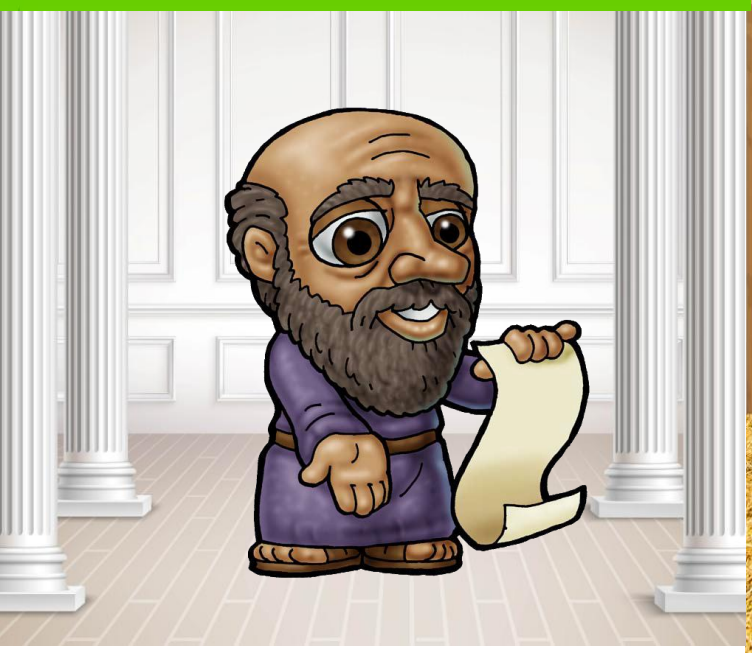
Christmas Prophecies









In the first books of the Bible, known as the Old Testament, over 300 predictions about the “Messiah” or “Savior” can be found. Here is a small sampling of these specific predictions:

PROPHECY



Born of a virgin

Nearly 750 years before Christ's birth, the Old Testament prophet Isaiah prophesied:

Isaiah 7:14—The Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin will conceive and bear a Son, and will call His name Immanuel.

FULFILLMENT



Luke 1:26-35 (excerpts) - God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a village in Galilee, to a virgin named Mary. Gabriel appeared to her and said, "...You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be very great and will be called the Son of the Most High."

Mary asked the angel, "But how can this happen? I am a virgin."

The angel replied, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the baby to be born will be holy, and he will be called the Son of God."

Immanuel means "God with us," and that's who Jesus is when we receive Him; God is with us!

PROPHECY



From David's Family

Isaiah also prophesied:

Isaiah 11:1-2 - Out of the stump of David's family will grow a shoot—yes, a new Branch bearing fruit from the old root. And the Spirit of the Lord will rest on him—the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.

FULFILLMENT



Matthew 1:1 - Jesus the Messiah came from the family of David, who was from the family of Abraham.

PROPHECY



Born in Bethlehem

Micah, prophesying in the eighth century B.C., predicted:

Micah 5:2—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.

FULFILLMENT



Matthew 2:1— Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king.

PROPHECY



Out of Egypt

Hosea 11:1b - Out of Egypt I called My son.

FULFILLMENT



Matthew 2:13-14, 19-20 - An angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream. “Get up! Flee to Egypt with the child and his mother,” the angel said. “Stay there until I tell you to return, because Herod is going to search for the child to kill him.” That night Joseph left for Egypt with the child and Mary, his mother.

When Herod died, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt. “Get up!” the angel said. “Take the child and his mother back to the land of Israel, because those who were trying to kill the child are dead.” So Joseph got up and returned to the land of Israel with Jesus and his mother.

PROPHECY



The Messenger

Malachi 3:1 - The LORD All-Powerful says, "I am sending my messenger to prepare the way for me.

Isaiah 40:3,5 - Listen, there is someone shouting: "Prepare a way in the desert for the Lord. Make a straight road there for our God. ... Then the Glory of the Lord will be shown to everyone. Together, all people will see it. Yes, this is what the Lord himself said!"

FULFILLMENT



John 1:6 - God sent a man, John the Baptist, to tell about the light so that everyone might believe because of his testimony.

Matthew 3:1-2 - John the Baptist came to the Judean wilderness and began preaching. His message was, "Repent of your sins and turn to God, for the Kingdom of Heaven is near."

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