



Basic Bible Course

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Why CHRISTIANS Believe in JESUS CHRIST as the SON of the LIVING GOD



Lesson Eight

INTRODUCTION: Having already established the Bible teaching that Jesus Christ existed AS God WITH God FROM ETERNITY, and that God's ETERNAL PURPOSE was purposed in Him, we found in the previous lesson that Jesus was sent into the world to serve as an ATONEMENT to God for the sins of man, thus RECONCILING MAN TO GOD from whom he had been SEPARATED BY HIS SINS.

In our present study, we shall consider the MEANS and METHOD by which it pleased God to send His Son into the world—and also the EVIDENCE by which He established Jesus' claim that He was (is) the only begotten SON OF GOD...

I. JESUS BORN OF A VIRGIN.

“Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, BEFORE THEY CAME TOGETHER, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost. Then Joseph her husband, being a just *man*, and not willing to make her a publick example, was minded to put her away privily. But while he thought on these things, behold, the ANGEL OF THE LORD appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for THAT WHICH IS CONCEIVED IN HER IS OF THE HOLY GHOST. And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins. Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Behold, a VIRGIN shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us. Then Joseph being raised from sleep did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his wife: And KNEW HER NOT TILL SHE HAD BROUGHT FORTH HER FIRSTBORN SON: and he called his name JESUS” (Mat. 1:18-25).

“And in the sixth month the ANGEL GABRIEL was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth, To a VIRGIN espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary. And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, *thou that art* highly favoured, the Lord *is* with thee: blessed *art* thou among women. And when she saw *him*, she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this

should be. And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God. And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS. He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end. Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be, seeing I KNOW NOT A MAN? And the angel answered and said unto her, The HOLY GHOST SHALL COME UPON THEE, and the POWER OF THE HIGHEST SHALL OVERSHADOW THEE: therefore also that HOLY THING which shall be BORN OF THEE shall be called the SON OF GOD” (Luke 1:26-35).

“And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. (And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.) And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; because he was of the house and lineage of David:) to be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child. And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn” (Luke 2:1-7).

“And when eight days were accomplished for the circumcising of the child, his name was called JESUS, which was SO NAMED OF THE ANGEL BEFORE HE WAS CONCEIVED IN THE WOMB” (Luke 2:21).

II. FULFILLED PROPHECIES PROVE JESUS IS THE SON OF GOD.

- A. The CLAIM that JESUS CHRIST is the SON OF GOD is made:
1. By the ANGEL GABRIEL, (as we have already noted) (Luke 1:32-35).
 2. By “A VOICE FROM HEAVEN” at Jesus’ baptism (Mat. 3:13-17; Mark 1:1-11; Luke 3:1-22).
 3. By “A VOICE OUT OF THE CLOUD” (at Jesus’ transfiguration)—(Mat. 17:1-18; Mark 9:2-8; Luke 9:28-36).
 4. By JESUS HIMSELF (Mat. 11:25-27; John 5:17-25; John 9:30-38; John 10:24-38; Mat. 26:63-64; Mark 14:60-62; Luke 22:66-71),
 5. By DEVILS (Luke 4:40-41; Mat. 8:28-34; Luke 8:26-40; Mark 5:1-20).
 6. By JESUS’ DISCIPLES (Mat. 14:22-33).
 7. By JOHN THE BAPTIST (John 1:15-18; John 1:29-34).
 8. By NATHANIEL (John 1:45-51).
 9. By PETER (Mat. 16:13-20; John 6:66-69).
 10. By the ROMAN OFFICER (centurion) and THOSE THAT WERE WITH HIM in charge of Jesus’ crucifixion (Mat. 27:45-54). NOTE: In fact, it was for making this very claim that the Jews put Jesus to death! Pilate, the Roman governor, could find no fault in Jesus and was determined to let Him go (John 18:28-40). He even gave them their choice between releasing Jesus or Barabbas, a robber. They chose to release Barabbas and crucify Jesus, saying, “We have a law, and by our law he ought to die, because he made himself the SON OF GOD” (John 19:1-7—Also read Matthew 27:11-43). There are some, as we all know, who deny that Jesus ever CLAIMED to be the Son of God. How, therefore, shall they account for His crucifixion, since no other reason is ever given!

- B. At least 38 FULFILLED PROPHECIES give CREDIBILITY to Jesus. It is not REASONABLE to suppose that God would fulfill prophecy to CAUSE BELIEF IN A FRAUD. Jesus either was who He CLAIMED to be (the Son of God) or else He was the GREATEST IMPOSTER THAT EVER WALKED THE EARTH. Consider the following prophecies (from the OLD Testament). Since the last book of the OLD Testament was written by Malachi almost 4½ centuries before Christ, this means that the youngest of these prophecies was already MORE THAN 400 YEARS OLD at the time of fulfillment. SOME of them were 600, 800, 1,000, 1,500 years old—or even older than that—when fulfilled. Because of this there was absolutely NO WAY for the one who prophesied to have any CONTROL at all relative to FULFILLMENT of what he had prophesied. Observe:—

PROPHECIES	FULFILLMENTS
1. Christ to be the SEED OF A WOMAN (Gen 3:15).	“But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, MADE OF A WOMAN” (Gal. 4:4—See also Luke 2:7; Rev. 12:5).
2. Would be the PROMISED SEED OF ABRAHAM (Gen. 18:18— See also Gen. 12:3).	“Ye are the children of the prophets, and of the covenant which God made with our fathers, saying unto ABRAHAM, And in THY SEED shall all the kindreds of the earth be blessed” (Acts 3:25—See also Mat. 1:1; Luke 3:34; Gal 3:16).
3. Would be the PROMISED SEED OF ISAAC (Gen. 17:19).	“Abraham begat Isaac; and ISAAC begat Jacob; and Jacob begat Judas and his brethren”...and do on down to Christ (Mat. 1:1-2ff—See also Luke 3:34).
4. Would be the PROMISED SEED OF JACOB (Num. 24:17; Gen. 28:14).	“Which was <i>the son</i> of JACOB, which was <i>the son</i> of Isaac, which was <i>the son</i> of Abraham, which was <i>the son</i> of Thara, which was <i>the son</i> of Nachor” (Luke 3:34—also compare Mat. 1:2).
5. Would descend of the TRIBE OF JUDAH (Gen. 49:10).	“Which was <i>the son</i> of Aminadab, which was <i>the son</i> of Aram, which was <i>the son</i> of Esrom, which was <i>the son</i> of Phares, which was <i>the son</i> of JUDA” (Luke 3:33—Compare Mat. 1:2-3).
6. Would be HEIR to the THRONE OF DAVID (Isa. 9:7—See also Isa. 11:1-5; 2 Sam. 7:12-13).	“The book of the generation of Jesus Christ, the son of DAVID, the son of Abraham” (Mat. 1:1—See also v. 6).
7. Would be BORN IN BETH-LEHEM (Mic. 5:2).	“Now when Jesus was BORN IN BETH-LEHEM of Judaea in the days of Herod the

- king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem” (Mat. 2:1—See also Luke 2:4-7).
8. His coming would be in TROUBLOUS TIMES (Dan. 9:25).
 “And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that **ALL THE WORLD SHOULD BE TAXED.**” It was during such “troubulous times” that Jesus was born (See Luke 2:1-7).
 9. To be BORN OF A VIRGIN (Isa. 7:14).
 “Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, **BEFORE THEY CAME TOGETHER,** she was found with child of the Holy Ghost” (Mat. 1:18—See also Luke 1:26-35).
 10. MASSACRE OF INFANTS foretold (Jer. 31:15).
 “Then Herod, when he saw that he was mocked of the wise men, was exceeding wroth, and sent forth, and **SLEW ALL THE CHILDREN** that were in Bethlehem, and in all the coasts thereof, **FROM TWO YEARS OLD AND UNDER,** according to the time which he had diligently enquired of the wise men” (Mat. 2:16—Also vv. 17-18).
 11. God’s Son to have been IN EGYPT (Hos. 11:1).
 “When he arose, he took the young child and his mother by night, and departed **INTO EGYPT**” (Mat. 2:14-15).
 12. His Ministry IN GALILEE (Isa. 9:1-2).
 “Now when Jesus had heard that John was cast into prison, he departed **INTO GALILEE**” (Mat. 4:12-16).
 13. The One foretold to be A PROPHET (Deu. 18:15).
 “Then those men, when they had seen the miracle that Jesus did, said, This is of a truth **THAT PROPHET** that should come into the world” (John 6:14—See also John 1:45; Acts 3:19-26).
 14. To be a PRIEST, LIKE MELCHIZEDEK (Psa. 110:4).
 “Whither the forerunner is for us entered, *even* Jesus, made an high priest for ever **AFTER THE ORDER OF MELCHISEDEC**” (Heb. 6:20—Also read Heb. 5:5-6; 7:15-17).
 15. To be REJECTED (Isa. 53:3—See also Psa. 2:2).
 “He came unto his own, and his own **RECEIVED HIM NOT**” (John 1:11—See also John 5:43; Luke 4:19; 17:25; 23:18).

16. Some of His CHARACTER-ISTICALS Foretold (Isa. 11:2—See also Psa. 45:7; Isa. 11:3-4).
“And Jesus increased in WISDOM and STATURE, and IN FAVOUR WITH GOD AND MAN” (Luke 2:52—See also Luke 4:18).
17. Jesus’ TRIUMPHAL ENTRY INTO JERUSALEM RIDING UPON AN ASS Foretold (Zec. 9:9).
“Took branches of palm trees, and went forth to meet him, and cried, Hosanna: Blessed is the King of Israel that cometh in the name of the Lord. And Jesus, when he had found a YOUNG ASS, SAT THEREON; as it is WRITTEN” (John 12:13-14—Also read Mat. 21:1-11; John 12:12).
18. To be BETRAYED BY A FRIEND (Psa. 41:9).
“And Judas Iscariot, ONE OF THE TWELVE, went unto the chief priests, to BETRAY him unto them” (Mark 14:10—Also read Mat. 26:14-16; Mark 14:43-45).
19. To be SOLD for THIRTY PIECES OF SILVER (Zec. 11:12-13).
“And said *unto them*, What will ye give me, and I will deliver him unto you? And they covenanted with him for THIRTY PIECES OF SILVER” (Mat. 26:15—Also read Mat. 27:3-10).
20. The BETRAYAL PRICE to be RETURNED and used to purchase a POTTER’S FIELD (Zec. 11:13).
“And the chief priests took the silver pieces, and said, It is not lawful for to put them into the treasury, because it is the price of blood. And they took counsel, and bought with them the POTTER’S FIELD, to bury strangers in” (Mat. 27:6-7—Also read context, verses 3-10).
21. Judas’ SWIFT DEATH and his OFFICE TAKEN BY ANOTHER (Psa. 109:7-8).
“Now this man purchased a field with the reward of iniquity; and falling headlong, he burst asunder in the midst, and ALL HIS BOWELS GUSHED OUT. And it was known unto all the dwellers at Jerusalem; insomuch as that field is called in their proper tongue, Aeldama, that is to say, The field of blood. For it is written in the book of Psalms, Let his habitation be desolate, and let no man dwell therein: and HIS BISHOPRICK LET ANOTHER TAKE” (Acts 1:18-20—Also verses 16-17).
22. FALSE WITNESSES were to accuse Jesus (Psa. 27:12—Also read Psa. 35:11).
“But found none: yea, though MANY FALSE WITNESSES came, yet found they none. At the last came TWO FALSE WITNESSES, And said, This *fellow* said, I am able to des-

- troy the temple of God, and to build it in three days” (Mat. 26:60-61).
23. Jesus NOT TO ANSWER His accusers (Isa. 53:7—Also read Psa. 38:13-14).
 “And the high priest arose, and said unto him, **ANSWEREST THOU NOTHING? what is it which these witness against thee? But Jesus HELD HIS PEACE**” (Mat. 26:62-63—Also see Mat. 27:12-14).
24. To be SMITTEN and SPAT UPON (Isa. 50:6).
 “And some began to SPIT on him, and to cover his face, and to BUFFET him, and to say unto him, Prophecy: and the servants did STRIKE him with the palms of their hands” (Mark 14:65—Also read Mark 15:17; John 19:1-3; John 18:22).
25. To be HATED WITHOUT A CAUSE (Psa. 69:4; Psa. 109:3-5).
 “He that HATETH ME hateth my Father also. If I had not done among them the works which none other man did, they had not had sin: but now have they both seen and hated both me and my Father. But *this cometh to pass*, that the word might be fulfilled that is written in their law, **THEY HATED ME WITHOUT A CAUSE**” (John 15:23-25).
26. JESUS’ SUFFERING in OUR stead (Isa. 53:4-5—Also read verses 6, 12).
 “When the even was come, they brought unto him many that were possessed with devils: and he cast out the spirits with *his* word, and healed all that were sick: That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took OUR INFIRMITIES, and bare OUR SICKNESSES” (Mat. 8:16-17—Also see Rom. 4:25; 1 Cor. 15:3).
27. To be NUMBERED WITH TRANSGRESSORS (Isa. 53:12).
 “Then were there TWO THIEVES crucified with him, one on the right hand, and another on the left” (Mat. 27:38—Also read Mark 15:27-28; Luke 23:33).
28. His HANDS and FEET to be PIERCED (Zec. 12:10).
 “But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came. The other disciples therefore said unto him, We have seen the Lord. But he said unto them, Except I shall see in his HANDS the PRINT of the NAILS, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe. And after eight days again his disciples were within, and

- Thomas with them: *then* came Jesus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, Peace *be* unto you. Then saith he to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and behold my HANDS; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust *it* into my side: and be not faithless, but believing. And Thomas answered and said unto him, My Lord and my God” (John 20:24-28—Also see John 19:37).
29. To be MOCKED and INSULTED (Psa. 22:6-8). “And they that passed by REVEILED HIM, WAGGING THEIR HEADS, And saying, Thou that destroyest the temple, and buildest *it* in three days, save thyself. If thou be the Son of God, come down from the cross” (Mat. 27:39-40—Also see John 19:37).
30. To be given GALL and VINEGAR to drink (Psa. 69:21). “Now there was set a vessel full of VINEGAR: and they filled a sponge with vinegar, and put *it* upon HYSSOP, and put *it* to his mouth” (John 19:29—Also read Mat. 27:34, 48).
31. Prophetic words REPEATED IN MOCKERY (Psa. 69:21). “He trusted in God; let him deliver him now, if he will have him: for he said, I am the Son of God” (Mat. 27:43).
32. Jesus’ LOVE and PRAYER for His ENEMIES (Psa. 109:4—Also see Isa. 53:12). “Then said Jesus, FATHER, FORGIVE THEM; for they know not what they do” (Luke 23:34).
33. The PIERCING of Jesus’ side (Zec. 12:10). “But one of the soldiers with a spear PIERCED HIS SIDE, and forthwith came there out blood and water” (John 19:34).
34. To CAST LOTS for Jesus’ CLOTHES (Psa. 22:18). “And when they had crucified him, they parted his GARMENTS, CASTING LOTS upon them, what every man should take” (Mark 15:24—Also see John 19:24).
35. NOT A BONE to be BROKEN (Psa. 34:20—Also read Exo. 12:46). “But when they came to Jesus, and saw that he was dead already, they BRAKE NOT HIS LEGS” (John 19:33).
36. To be BURIED with the RICH (Isa. 53:9). “When the even was come, there came a RICH MAN of Arimathaea, named Joseph, who also himself was Jesus’ disciple: He went to Pilate, and begged the body of Jesus. Then Pilate commanded the body to be delivered.

And when Joseph had taken the body, he wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, And LAID IT IN HIS OWN NEW TOMB, which he had hewn out in the rock” (Mat. 27:57-60).

37. Jesus’ RESURRECTION
(Isa. 16:10).

“And as they went to tell his disciples, behold, JESUS MET THEM, saying, All hail. And they came and held him by the feet, and worshipped him” (Mat. 28:9—Also Luke 24:36-48).

38. Jesus’ ASCENSION (Psa.
68:18).

“And he led them out as far as to Bethany, and he lifted up his hands, and blessed them. And it came to pass, while he blessed them, he was parted from them, and CARRIED UP INTO HEAVEN” (Luke 24:50-51—Also Acts 1:9).

Had these prophecies concerning Jesus been uttered even during the LIFETIME of Jesus Christ upon the earth, their FULFILLMENT, not just in general, but IN DETAIL, should be CONVINCING ENOUGH to any thinking, logical, reasonable person as to the CREDIBILITY (hence the DIVINITY) of Jesus Christ (since he claimed to be the Son of God).

However, when one considers that these OLD TESTAMENT prophecies were written by a MULTIPLICITY OF WRITERS, all of whom wrote between the time of Moses (1,500 YEARS BEFORE CHRIST’S BIRTH) and that of Malachi (MORE THAN 400 YEARS BEFORE CHRIST’S BIRTH), most of them writing in DIFFERENT CENTURIES from each other, not being even ACQUAINTED WITH EACH OTHER PERSONALLY, and various writers prophesying on VARYING PHASES of Jesus’ life—there is no human possibility of collusion or fraud to have been practiced in this matter.

Not only do these fulfilled prophecies prove conclusively that JESUS CAME FROM GOD and was actually the only begotten SON OF GOD, as he claimed, but they also prove that the WRITERS of those ancient prophecies were NOT WRITING OF THEIR OWN WILL, but, as 2 Peter 1:20-21 puts it, “KNOWING THIS FIRST, THAT NO PROPHECY OF THE SCRIPTURE IS OF ANY PRIVATE INTERPRETATION. FOR THE PROPHECY CAME NOT IN OLD TIME BY THE WILL OF MAN, BUT HOLY MEN OF GOD SPAKE AS THEY WERE MOVED BY THE HOLY GHOST.” (Therefore, as we read those old writings, we should not think of them as merely the HUMAN PRODUCT of unusually gifted men, but as the DIVINE PRODUCT of DIVINE REVELATION, hence, the WORD OF GOD!

But FULFILLED PROPHECIES are not the ONLY evidence upon which faith in Jesus Christ as the Son of God is based. During Jesus’ lifetime, he did many mighty works, such as no merely HUMAN being, unaided by supernatural power, could possibly perform. MULTITUDES who witnessed these miracles felt COMPELLED to ACCEPT HIM as the SON OF GOD he claimed to be. There was no other way to explain the otherwise incredible things which he accomplished. The New Testament writers—Matthew, Mark, Luke and John—go to great lengths to record many of these divine manifestations in meticulous detail. Therefore, as we examine their respective records, please consider that.

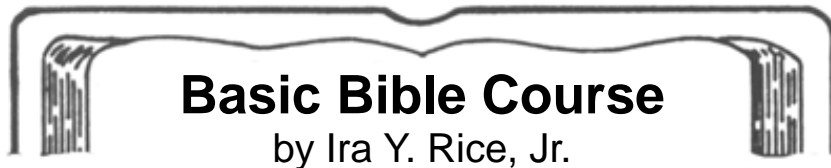
III. JESUS' OWN MIRACLES PROVE HIM TO BE THE SON OF GOD.

A. Forty-one of his RECORDED miracles are as follows:

1. The turning of WATER INTO WINE at the wedding feast in Cana of Galilee (John 2:1-11).
2. HEALING of the NOBLEMAN'S SON (John 4:46-54).
3. The DRAUGHT OF FISH (Luke 5:1-11).
4. The CASTING OUT OF UNCLEAN SPIRIT (Mark 1:23-27; Luke 4:33-36).
5. The HEALING of SIMON PETER'S MOTHER-IN-LAW (Mat. 8:14-15; Mark 1:30-31; Luke 4:38-39).
6. The HEALING of a LEPER (Mat. 8:2-4; Mark 1:40-45; Luke 5:12-13).
7. The HEALING of a PARALYTIC (Mat. 9:2-8; Mark 2:1-12; Luke 5:17-26).
8. The HEALING of the IMPOTENT MAN (John 5:1-16).
9. HEALING the man with WITHERED HAND (Mat. 12:10-14; Mark 3:1-6; Luke 6:6-11).
10. HEALING the CENTURION'S SERVANT (Mat. 8:5-13; Luke 7:1-10).
11. RAISING FROM THE DEAD the WIDOW'S SON AT NAIN (Luke 7:11-17).
12. RESTORING SPEECH AND SIGHT to A MAN POSSESSED WITH A DEVIL, BLIND AND DUMB (Mat. 12:22). NOTE: Mark 3:22 also appears to allude to this same miracle; however, it does not give enough facts to make it absolutely clear.
13. STILLING OF THE STORM (Mat. 8:23-27; Mark 4:35-41; Luke 8:22-25).
14. CASTING OUT DEVILS (Mat. 8:28-34; Luke 8:26-40; Mark 6:1-20).
15. RAISING FROM THE DEAD of the DAUGHTER OF JAIRUS, A RULER (Mat. 9:18-19, 23-26; Mark 5:21-24, 35-42; Luke 8:40-41, 49-56).
16. HEALING of the WOMAN WITH THE ISSUE OF BLOOD (Mat. 9:20-22; Mark 5:25-34; Luke 8:43-48).
17. HEALING TWO BLIND MEN (Mat. 9:27-32).
18. HEALING of one DEMON-POSSESSED AND DUMB (Mat. 9:32-33).
19. The FEEDING of the FIVE THOUSAND (Mat. 14:13-23; Mark 6:30-46; Luke 9:10-17; John 6:1-14).
20. WALKING ON WATER (Mark 6:47-56; John 6:16-21).
21. HEALING of the SYRO-PHENICIAN WOMAN'S DAUGHTER (Mat. 15:21-28; Mark 7:24-30).
22. HEALING multitudes' LAME, BLIND, DUMB, MAIMED AND MANY OTHERS (Mat. 15:29-31).
23. HEALING of a DEAF and DUMB MAN (Mark 7:31-37).
24. FEEDING FOUR THOUSAND MEN (besides women and children) (Mat. 15:32-38; Mark 8:1-9).
25. HEALING of a BLIND MAN near Bethsaida (Mark 8:22-26).
26. HEALING of a BOY POSSESSED OF A DEVIL (Mat. 17:14-21; Mark 9:17-29; Luke 9:37-43).
27. MIRACULOUS METHOD OF SECURING MONEY to pay taxes (Mat. 17:24-27).
28. HEALING of the MAN WHO WAS BORN BLIND (John, 9th Chapter).
29. CASTING OUT of a DUMB DEVIL (Mark 9:17-29).
30. HEALING of a WOMAN CRIPPLED FOR 18 YEARS (Luke 13:10-17).
31. HEALING of a MAN OF DROPSY (Luke 14:1-6).
32. The RAISING of LAZARUS FROM THE DEAD (John, 11th Chapter).
33. HEALING TEN MEN OF LEPROSY (Luke 17:11-19).

34. HEALING TWO BLIND MEN near Jericho (Mat. 20:29-34) NOTE; In Mark's account, just one of these blind men is mentioned, Bartimaeus by name (Mark 10:46-52). So also in Luke 18:35-43.
35. The WITHERING OF THE FIG TREE (Mat. 21:17-22; Mark 11:12-14, 20-24).
36. HEALING of the EAR THAT HAD BEEN CUT OFF (Luke 22:47-51).
37. JESUS' OWN RESURRECTION (Mat. 28:1-10; Mark 16:1-11; Luke 24:1-11; John 20:1-18).
38. PREVENTING RECOGNITION OF HIMSELF while walking and talking with companions until just before vanishing (Luke 24:13-31).
39. MATERIALIZING IN MIDST OF HIS DISCIPLES (Luke 24:32-43).
40. COMING INSIDE WITH THE DOORS SHUT (John 20:19-23).
41. JESUS' ASCENSION INTO HEAVEN (Mark 16:19; Luke 24:50-51; Acts 1:9-11).

NOTE: These 41 manifestations of the divinity of Jesus are not necessarily ALL that he did upon the earth. As John 20:30-31 put is, "And MANY OTHER SIGNS truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are NOT WRITTEN IN THIS BOOK: But THESE ARE WRITTEN, that ye might believe that JESUS IS THE CHRIST, THE SON OF GOD; and that believing ye might have life through his name." "And there are also many other things which Jesus did, the which, if they should be written every one...the world itself could not contain the books" (John 21:25).



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Questions on Lesson Eight

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1. Both Matthew and Luke records Mary, the mother of Jesus, as being “espoused” to a man whose name was Joseph before the angel Gabriel appeared unto her. Yet she told Gabriel, “I know not a man.” Please explain how she could be “espoused” to Joseph, yet “know not a man.”

2. Knowing not a man, as regards carnal knowledge between man and woman, until after she had brought forth her firstborn son, Jesus, how was it possible, therefore, to CONCEIVE Jesus in order to give Him birth? _____
3. Since the angel told Mary, “the Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee,” what, therefore was “that holy thing” to be born of this overshadowing to be called? _____
4. What was to be the proper name for Mary’s firstborn son? _____
5. Why was He to be called this? _____
6. However difficult for man, is anything too hard for God? _____
7. DOES JESUS CHRIST CLAIM TO BE, in the New Testament, the SON OF GOD? _____
8. GIVE one passage WHERE HE MAKES THIS CLAIM: _____
9. List 4 others, besides himself, who claimed Jesus to be the Son of God: _____

10. Why did the Jews have Barabbas, a robber, released, and crucify Jesus Christ instead, when Pilate, the Roman governor, gave them their choice?

11. What 38 things give CREDIBILITY to Jesus Christ for being the Son of God he CLAIMED to be?

12. Is it reasonable to suppose that God would fulfill prophecy in order to cause belief in an imposter?

13. In your examination of the fulfilled prophecies, how many of the PROPHECIES originated in the NEW Testament? _____
14. If they ALL originated in the OLD Testament, how old would the YOUNGEST of these prophecies be at the time of fulfillment? _____
15. If the last OLD Testament prophet died more than 400 years before Jesus Christ was born into the world, would it be possible for ANY of the prophets cited to exercise control over the fulfillment of ANY of these Old Testament prophecies? _____
16. Where was Jesus Christ born? _____

17. Which Old Testament prophecy did this fulfill? _____
(Cite the passage)
18. Was Jesus born in EGYPT? _____
19. Was God's Son to have been in Egypt? _____
(Cite passage).
Was this unlikely prophecy fulfilled? _____
20. Relative to Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem, what did the prophet foretell He would ride?

21. Cite the passage that shows he fulfilled this prophecy: _____
22. Was Jesus' betrayal price foretold? _____
(Cite prophecy).
23. How much was the price? _____ Fulfilled? _____
24. Was Jesus to be numbered with transgressors? _____ If so, please describe how this was fulfilled: _____
25. Was Jesus to be smitten and spat upon? _____
(Cite prophecy).
Fulfilled? _____
26. Was Jesus to suffer FOR HIMSELF or in OUR STEAD? _____
27. What was Jesus to be given to drink? _____ Was this fulfilled? _____
28. Was the PIERCING of Jesus foretold? _____ By what prophet? _____
29. How was this prophecy fulfilled? _____
30. How did the soldiers decide which of Jesus' garments should be taken by whom? _____
Was the prophecy that this fulfilled: _____
31. Did the soldiers break the legs of the two thieves crucified with Jesus? _____
Why? _____
32. Did they also break Jesus' legs? _____ Why? _____
33. Did this fulfill any prophecy? _____ Which one? _____
34. Was Jesus to be buried with the RICH? _____ If so, please describe how this prophecy was fulfilled: _____

- 35. Does the New Testament teach that Jesus rose from the dead? _____
Cite passage: _____
- 36. Was this according to prophecy? _____ Which prophecy? _____
- 37. At Jesus' ascension into heaven, what received Him from the sight of His disciples? _____
Was His ascension prophesied? _____
- 38. Did these Old Testament prophecies come by the will of man? _____ If not, how did they come? _____
- 39. Are FULFILLED PROPHECIES the ONLY basis for belief in Jesus Christ as the Son of God? _____
If not, what other evidence? _____
- 40. How many of Jesus' recorded miracles have we cited? _____
- 41. What principal writers record the miracles of Jesus?

- 42. What was Jesus' first recorded miracle? _____
- 43. Quote the Scripture that proves this was the BEGINNING of miracles: _____

Cite the passage: _____
- 44. Was Simon Peter a married man? _____ If so, what did Jesus do to Simon Peter's mother-in-law? _____
- 45. Did Jesus have power also over the natural elements? _____ If so, give an example where he exercised this power: _____
- 46. How many examples are recorded of Jesus raising people from the dead? _____ List them:

- 47. With what did Jesus feed the five thousand? _____
The four thousand? _____
- 48. Did Jesus ascend into heaven? _____ Who said so? _____
- 49. Are these 41 miracles all the signs that Jesus did? _____
- 50. If not, then why are THESE miracles written? _____

DO YOU HAVE A QUESTION?
