## John 20:30-31; Genesis 3-50; Luke 3:23-38

Prophet Moses and Messiah Jesus

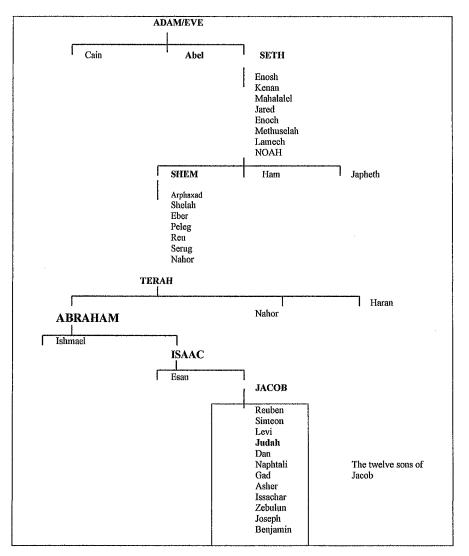
This O.T. sermon series on the Messiah flows out of 3 key texts: John 20:31, Luke 24:44, & John 5:46.

The trailhead of the Old Testament is unmistakably \_\_\_\_\_

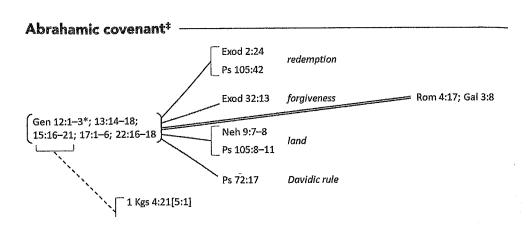
## "Moses wrote about Me!" Messiah Jesus

- 1) The Serpent-Slaying Seed of the Woman prediction. (Genesis 3:14-15; 4:25-26)
- 2) The Semitic Line of Promise Prediction. (Genesis 9:24-27; 11:10-32)
- 3) The Covenantal Savior-King Prediction. (Genesis 12:1-7; 15:18-21; 17:1-27; 22:15-18)
- 4) The Regal Lion of Judah Prediction. (Genesis 49:8-10; Ruth 4:18-22; Psalm 78:67-7

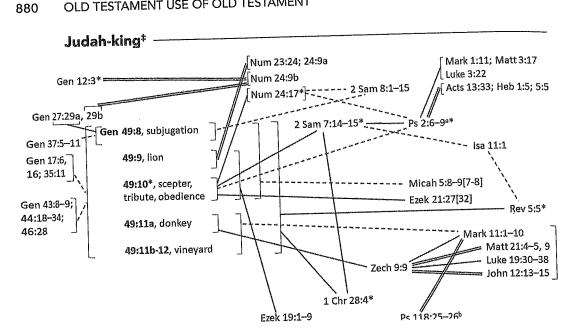
Note Luke 3:23-38



(Numbers 24)



## OLD TESTAMENT USE OF OLD TESTAMENT



For Further Reflection: Lord help us to be doers of the Word and not just sermon connoisseurs

What's the most important thing you heard today? How were you encouraged, challenged, and/or convicted? What do you want to study further as a result of listening to today's message?

What O.T. passage(s) is Jesus alluding to when He declares, "Moses wrote of Me?" Is the babe of Bethlehem "the King of Israel" "the hope of the nations?" Does Jesus of Nazareth fit the O.T. description of a coming Messianic-Victor? Dr. John Sailhamer is correct when he says, "The OT sheds a lot of light on the events of the NT. Our primary objective should be to read the NT in light of the Old, rather than the OT in light of the New." It is wise to trace God's "progressive revelation" when studying the Bible as we develop our biblical theology.

"These are written so that you may believe that Jesus is *the Christ*, the Son of God..." John 20:31 "*Moses* wrote about *Me*." Messiah Jesus. John 5:25-47; Luke 24:13-35- Biblical revelation plus Holy Spirit wrought illumination (open the eyes of my heart) provides all the content and comprehension we need! What should our prayer be before studying the Bible?

What are some possible signs that we've lost our first love? Lord, don't let my lose my wonder! Note the excitement, hope, and joy of the first disciples in John 1:40-45. "How great our joy!"

What does it mean to know and believe that Jesus is *the Christ*? How might (and/or should) saving faith in the Divine Christ, impact my daily walk this week?

Genesis 1-11 functions as the introduction of the Torah. It introduces all of the major themes of Genesis-Deuteronomy. Chief among them is the theme of messianic hope!

There are at least 6 Messianic predictions in the opening five scrolls of Moses: Moses' *first* prediction is found in <u>Genesis 3:15</u>. A *Second* is found in <u>Genesis 9:24-27</u>. A *Third* is located in <u>Genesis 12:1f</u>. A *Fourth* is found in a prophesy of Jacob in <u>Genesis 49:8-12</u>. A *Fifth* prediction is found in <u>Numbers 24:14-19</u>. A *Sixth* prediction is made in <u>Deuteronomy 18:15-18</u>.

Judah- Genesis 49:8-12; Psalm 76:1-2, 68-70; Is. 65:9; Joel 3:20-21

Every sinner needs a messiah, and not just any messiah, we need *the Messiah*. <u>The</u> long-awaited Messiah is our Prophet, Priest, and King. Review key points from my introductory message. I've summarized this sermon for you on the next page. Related songs; Sovereign Grace Music: "Come For Us." Watt's, "Joy to the World!" Handel's symphony, "Messiah."

One must study the entire Bible and take special note of the Messianic emphasis! There are two theological bookends that frame the entire gospel of John. Namely, the Messiahship of Jesus and the Deity of Christ. Both are declared in the opening prologue (John 1:1:1-18) as well as in the grand finale (John 20:28-31). The eternal Son of God became truly human (John 1:14). One Person in two natures. Later in chapter 1, the Divine-Logos, Immanuel is presented as the long-awaited Messiah. Note John 1:40-45.

Having learned *how to witness* from the example of Christ Himself, the Apostles imitate this pattern. What can we learn from them- see *Acts* 2:22-36; 3:11-26; 8:26-40; 13:16-41?

## **SERMON SERIES RECAP**

John 20:28- My Lord and my God! This is the Climactic Confession! The Dogmatic Declaration! The Pinnacle Proclamation! The highest summit in John's Gospel!

1/7/24 sermon review of John 20:30-31 and selected scriptures. Jesus the Messiah series (pt. 1)

1) What is a Messiah? Why does John identify Jesus as THE Christ? (not "a" Christ)

In the O.T., Prophets, priests, and kings were consecrated to God for special service. They were "anointed" ones. Note Exodus 28:1, 41; 30:31-33. 1 Sam. 13; 19:21; 2 Chron. 26. Psalm 105:15; 1 Chron. 16:22)

- 2) What crucial roles did these "anointed" ones play?
- A) Godly prophets revealed the divine will and holy purposes of Yahweh.
- B) Godly priests brought people into Yahweh's holy presence for worship and service.
- C) Godly king's rules over God's people on Yahweh's behalf.
- 3) Why were "messiah figures" even needed?
- A) Godly prophets were necessary because post-fall man is spiritually lost and ignorant.
- B) Godly priests were necessary because post-fall man is sinful and unclean and thus alienated from Holy God.
- C) Godly kings were necessary because post-fall humanity is like a wild bronco that that needs to be reined in.
- 4) What does all this have to do with Jesus Christ and with us (personally)? John 1:41.
- A) As the Prophet par excellence-Messiah Jesus is the perfect revelation of God.
- B) As the great High Priest- Messiah Jesus offers a perfect, once for all sacrifice. Through Him we can draw near to serve and worship Yahweh.
- C) As the conquering King- Messiah Jesus subdues rebellious hearts and reigns over His people as our loving Lord! The Divine Christ is our Prophet, Priest, and King! All hail King Jesus!

The Old Testament predicts and anticipates the coming Messianic-Savior! While the New Testament announces He came for us and that He's coming again. One of my favorite Sovereign Grace Music songs that underscores this glorious theme is "Come For Us."

Every incentive and motivation we need to live obediently is found in the Person/Work of Christ.

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