

John 20:30-31, Isaiah 1-66
Isaiah's Messianic Masterpiece!
"Christ in the O.T." series
(pt. 8)

INTRO: *"Help us Messiah (Jesus), you're our ONLY HOPE!"*

"In God we trust!" But are we? Isaiah 26:3-4. Psalm 20:7f. Jeremiah 29:11. Proverbs 3:5-6.

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?

One author asked the following diagnostic questions: "What do you hope in? Whom do you trust? What's the relationship between hope and trust? How are you tempted to trust what those around you (who don't believe in God) trust? How do you discern between what is a right object of your trust, and what is not? What does wrong/misplaced trust in one's political leaders look like? What does proper trust/respect look like? What "gods/things" do many Americans trust in - in place of God and His Christ? What idols are you tempted to turn to/trust in? What does it look like when someone is trusting in themselves rather than trusting wholly in the LORD?" How do these applicational questions relate to today's overview sermon of Isaiah?

Wise believers trust the LORD's perfect promise-plan and hope in the LORD's perfect Messianic Son!

Memorize Isaiah 26:3-4. Familiarize yourself with the Messianic passages in Isaiah. Summarize what you learned today from Isaiah about the Coming Messiah.

What is *Messianic Hope*? How does it help God's people endure during difficult and trying seasons? To not become cynical or grow weary in doing good? How does it help us to persevere until the end?

How do these O.T. messages tie into what Jesus taught his disciples in Luke 24:25-27?

Sound theology helps us to honor God in our daily lives. It also fuels our praise and adoration! Fix your hope completely on the grace to be brought to you at the revelation of the coming Messiah! How should this sermon series impact your daily walk as you battle cancer, listen to the news (which is often sad), etc.? Listen to Sovereign Grace Music's, "Come For Us" song this week and any other songs/hymns of Messianic Hope. Such as JOY TO THE WORLD, Handel's "Messiah," etc.

How has this series strengthened our Messianic convictions, sharpened our Messianic focus, increased our Messianic hope, emboldened our Messianic witness, and enflamed our Messianic adoration?

One author notes, "There are four "Servant Songs" of Isaiah that describe the service, suffering, and exaltation of the Servant of the Lord, the Messiah. All four songs show the Messiah to be God's meek Servant. He is a royal figure, representing Israel in its ideal form; He is the high priest, atoning for the sins of the world. Isaiah predicts that this Servant of the Lord would deliver the world from the prison of sin. In the royal terminology of the ancient Near East, a servant was a 'trusted envoy,' a 'confidential representative,' or 'a choice, chosen one.' The Servant Songs are found in Isaiah 42:1-9; Isaiah 49:1-13; Isaiah 50:4-11; and Isaiah 52:13-53:12."

How does Messianic Hope "bind the Old and New" Testaments together? How does it unite believing Jews and believing Gentiles? (Gal. 3:28; Eph. 3) How else should it impact our lives?

How can we know with full assurance that Jesus is "the Christ, the Son of God?" What role do the O.T. Scriptures play in strengthening the saint's faith and in helping us live "Christ-centered" lives?

How do these foundational OT sermons help LCBC develop/maintain a biblical eschatology? We believe that there must be a future, earthly Kingdom of Christ. We embrace premillennialism. Note Mayhue and MacArthur's, "Christ's Prophetic Plan: A Futuristic Premillennial Primer" and Michael Vlach's, "Why There Must be a Future Earthly Kingdom of Jesus." Also note Revelation 19-20.

When will God's Anointed One come for us, rescue us, and establish his everlasting Kingdom? How will we know that _____ is in fact the prophesied Messiah? Our Prophet, Priest, and Savior-King?

SERMON SERIES- “CHRIST IN THE O.T.” RECAP

“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*)
- 5) The “Rising Star and Royal Scepter” Prediction. (*Numbers 24*)
(AKA- The Exalted King and Blessed Kingdom Prediction)
- 6) The Supreme Prophet like-Moses Prediction (*Deuteronomy 18:9-22; Acts 3:17-26*)

How do we know what “clues” to look for when searching for and positively ID’ing the long-awaited Messiah? Can we know with *full assurance* that Jesus is “the Christ, the Son of God?” (Jn. 20:31)

In this “Christ in the O.T.” series we’ve highlighted the promise-plan of God. We spent time highlighting the Abrahamic Covenant. A few weeks ago we talked about the all-important Davidic Covenant. God promised David and the line of promise a *Royal (Davidic) Dynasty, a future Messianic Son/King (the greater Son of David), who’d establish the Everlasting Kingdom* (2 Samuel 7; 1 Chr 17).

We also noted how the O.T. Psalter Anticipates and Celebrates, with Pinpoint Accuracy, the Future Ministry of Christ (the Lord’s Anointed). When reading the Psalms pay special attention to the Royal Psalms and Messianic Psalms.

- A) *The Messiah Humiliation and Crucifixion.* (Psalm 22; Mt. 27:46; John 18-19)
- B) *The Messiah’s Victorious Resurrection.* (Psalm 16; Acts 2:22f; John 20-21)
- C) *The Messiah’s Triumphant Ascensions* (Psalm 68; Eph. 4:8-10; Acts 1:1-11)
- D) *The Messiah’s Saving Character, His Severe Judgment, and His Glorious Kingdom.*
(Psalm 2, Psalm 89; Psalm 110; Revelation 18-20)

Read Psalm 110. Trace Messiah’s Princely rule (vv. 1-3) and His Priestly Reign (vv. 4-7)? How does this harmonize with my initial sermon on January 7, 2024: “The Long-Awaited Messiah is our Prophet, Priest, and King!”

Just as you’ll never find “Waldo” if you don’t know what clues to look for, so you’ll never “find” the Savior without Divine revelation and spiritual eyes that see (regeneration and illumination)!

What is meant when we use the phrase “progressive revelation?” How does progressive revelation relate to our “Christ in the Old Testament” series? How does it harmonize with John’s thesis (note Jn 20:30-31)?

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