

“Defending Our Father’s Honor”
Logikos Apologetics

Part 5 of 7

“Prophecy verifies Jesus”
 Luke 24:25-27
 (Updated 7.11.11)

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“Then [Jesus] said to them,
 “O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe
 in all that the prophets have spoken!
 Ought not the Christ to have suffered these
 things and to enter into His glory?”
 And beginning at Moses and all the
 Prophets, He expounded to them in all the
 Scriptures the things concerning Himself.”

Luke 24:25-27

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Defending our Father’s Honor

Introduction: Why should you be able to defend your beliefs about both our good God and suffering?

1. **Logic** verifies **God** (John 1:1)
2. **Science** verifies **Creation** (Romans 1:20)
3. **History** verifies **Scripture** (Luke 1:1-4)
4. **Religion** verifies **Christianity** (Romans 3:28)
5. **Prophecy** verifies **Jesus** (Luke 24:25-27)
6. **Time** verifies **Judgment** (Hebrews 9:27)
7. **Action** verifies **Faithfulness** (James 2:20)

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This 7 part, 500 slide presentation is just an **introduction**

... to encourage your own further study

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BEWARE of sensationalistic “prophecy” writers:
 To learn how scholars study prophetic writings in Scripture, see the books recommended on my site:

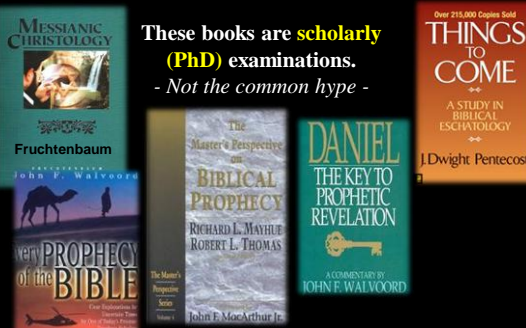
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Eschatology:
 Putting Together the Prophecy Puzzle Pieces
 to see God’s Big Picture to the End

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Prophetic “Proofs” – Beyond Reasonable Doubt

These books are **scholarly (PhD) examinations.**
- *Not the common hype* -



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God?
Who? What Kind?

Is it possible / probable / the most logical:

- That a Creator God exists?
- That the Creator has revealed His WAY?
- That the Creator's WAY is the ONLY Way?

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Hypothesis about God
(A “Testable” Prediction)

- **God in Isaiah 41:23 challenged false IDOLS:**
“Tell us what the **FUTURE** holds,
so we may **KNOW** that you are **gods**.”

If a transcendent Creator God exists
(*transcendent means not limited by TIME/space*),
then evidence of such a God should include:

* Predictions of the **FUTURE**, transcending **TIME**,
that have proven to be **100% accurate**.

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“Thus says the **LORD**,
the King of Israel, ...
‘I am the First and ... the Last;
... who can proclaim as I do?
... the things that are coming
and shall come.’
Isaiah 44:6-7

(Predicted ÷ 700 BC, Fulfilled ÷ 32 AD)

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Before Pilate condemned Jesus to death,
he asked: **“What is Truth?”**

- Some people claim “There is **NO** Truth”
- If there's **NO** Truth, then
how can their claim be “true”?

Is it possible that God has revealed His Truth?
Jesus said **“I AM ... the Truth”** John 14:6
(Exodus 3) God's name: YHWH = **“I AM”**,
from the Hebrew verb “to be” (self-existent) →

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Prophetic “Proofs” of God's Authorship
(100's all 100% Accurate → Beyond Doubt)

- **Isa 41-45** God promises proof by prophecy
- **Luke 24:25-27, 44-48** Jesus showed prophetic proofs from Moses to Prophets
- **Acts 1:1-3** [Jesus] “many convincing proofs”
- **Acts 8:26-39** Philip to Ethiopian (Isa 53)
- **Acts 18:27-28** Paul “refuted the Jews”
- **Acts 28:23** Apollos “persuaded concerning Jesus, from ... the Law ... Prophets ...”

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Statistical Probability Affirmed

Harold Hartzler, [American Scientific Affiliation](#) writes,

“The manuscript for Science Speaks has been carefully reviewed by a committee of the American Scientific Affiliation members and by the executive Council of the same group and has been found, in general, to be dependable and accurate in regard to the scientific material presented. The mathematical analysis included is based upon principles of probability which are thoroughly sound and Professor Stoner has applied these principles in a proper and convincing way.”

In Forward to the book: *Science Speaks* by Peter Stoner

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EXAMPLE OF - Psalm 22

“My God, my God,
why have You forsaken me?
.... all my bones are out of joint;
They pierced my hands and my feet. ...
They divide my garments...,
And for my clothing they cast lots.”

(Predicted \approx 1000 BC, Fulfilled \approx 32 AD)

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EXAMPLE OF - Isaiah 53:5-6

“But He *was* wounded for our transgressions,
He *was* bruised for our iniquities;
The punishment for our peace
was upon Him,
And by His stripes we are healed.
° All we like sheep have gone astray;
We have turned, every one, to his own way;
And the LORD has laid on Him
the iniquity of us all.”

(Predicted \approx 700 BC, Fulfilled \approx 32 AD)

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EXAMPLE OF- Zechariah 12

“Then they will look on Me
whom they pierced.
Yea, they will mourn for Him
as one mourns for his only son,
and grieve for Him
as one grieves for a firstborn.”

(Predicted \approx 520 BC, Fulfilled \approx 32 AD)

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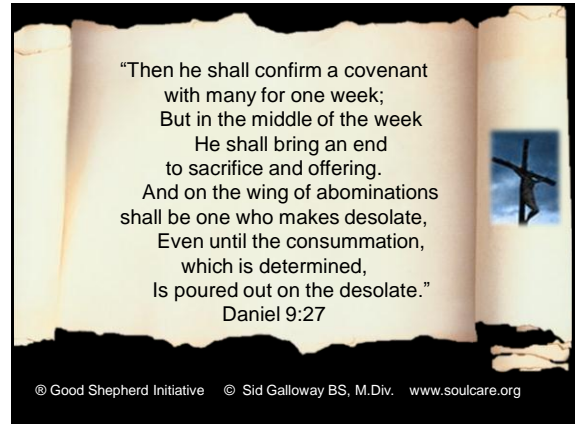
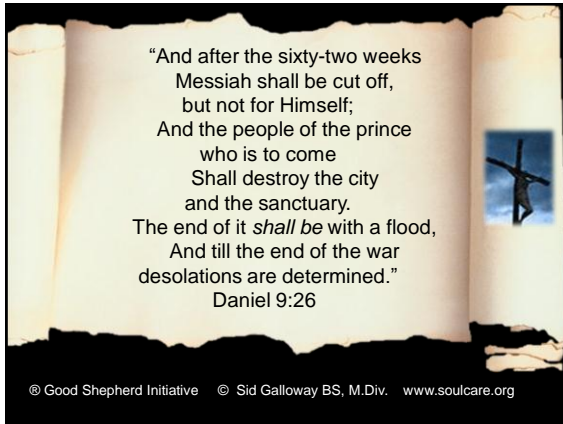
EXAMPLE OF DANIEL 9:24-27

“Seventy weeks are determined
For your people and for your holy city,
To finish the transgression,
To make an end of sins,
To make reconciliation for iniquity,
To bring in everlasting righteousness,
To seal up vision and prophecy,
And to anoint the Most Holy.
Daniel 9:24

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“Know therefore and understand,
That from the going forth of the
command to restore & build Jerusalem
Until Messiah the Prince,
There shall be seven weeks
and sixty-two weeks;
The street shall be built again, & the wall,
Even in troublesome times.”
Daniel 9:25

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Fulfillment of Prophecy in Daniel Ch. 9

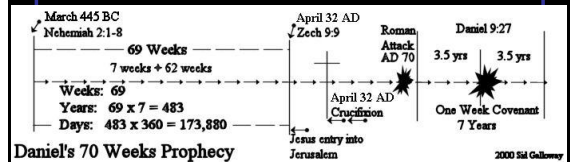
- **Calculated time of Messiah's coming:**
 - 7 weeks + 62 weeks = 69 weeks
 - 69 weeks times 7 yrs = 483 biblical years
(their years were 360 days)
 - 483 years x 360 days = 173,880 days.
 - Neh. 2:1-8 Decree of Artaxerxes = 445 BC.
 - 445 BC + 173,880 days = 32 AD for Messiah
- 32 AD Jesus entered Jerusalem as Messiah
- * Dr. Fruchtenbaum's book, *Messianic Prophecy*

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Graphic Depiction of Daniel Ch9

Fulfilled Prediction - Transcending TIME

**Daniel predicted the date for Messiah's 1st coming.
Jesus's entrance into Jeru-shalem (City of Peace),
riding on a donkey fulfilled this prophetic "proof".**



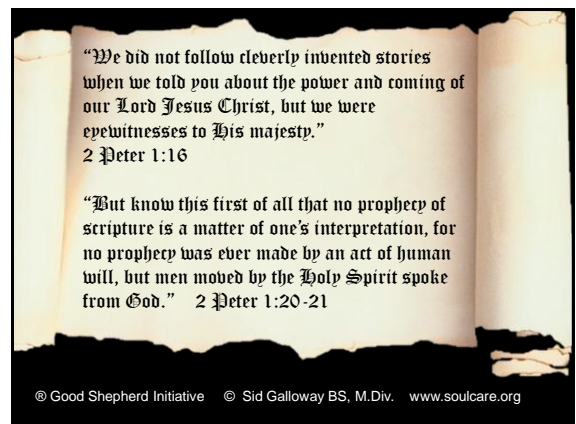
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More Examples of the 200+ Messianic Prophecies


1. **Birth** by Virgin (Is. 7:14 / Mt 1:18-25)
"Seed" of a Woman to defeat Satan (Gen 3:15)
2. **Birth** Time/Place (Dan. 9:25; Mic. 5:2 / Mt. 2:1)
3. **Sold** for 30 pieces of silver (Zech. 11:12)
4. **Crucified** (Psalm 22; Isa 53)
5. **Pierced** on His side (Zech. 12:10)
6. **Buried** in rich man's tomb (Isa 53:9)
7. **Resurrected** (Isa 53:10-11)

J. Barton Payne in his Encyclopedia of Biblical Prophecies (P. 665-670) lists 191 Prophecies that were literally fulfilled in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ:

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Question 6
Christ




Our Creator is the "Good" Shepherd

NOT a monstrous "designer" of "survival of the fittest"

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The **Self-Deification** **Lie**
 Genesis 3:5 2 Thess 2:1-12




"Spiritual Evolution"

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"The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone; the LORD has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes."
 Psalm 118:22-23

Jesus said to them,
 "Have you never read in the Scriptures:
 The stone the builders rejected
 has become the capstone;
 the Lord has done this,
 and it is marvelous in our eyes."
 Matthew 21:42



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"The time is coming," declares the LORD, "when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant I made with their forefathers when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they broke my covenant, though I was a husband to them," declares the LORD. Jeremiah 31:31-32
 (Predicted = 600 BC, Fulfilled = 32 AD)



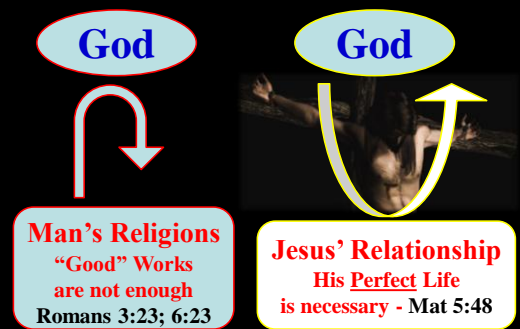
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Moral Character & Claim of Messiah

- **JESUS** alone is shown to be sinless, yet He claimed to be God in human form. **EXAMPLE:** "Before Abraham existed, I AM" John 8:58
 - Legend? **NO**. Historically verified beyond doubt
 - Liar? **NO**. Honest to the point of death on cross
 - Lunatic? **NO**. Universally accepted as wise
 - LORD The most logical inference from evidence
- "**Faith** is the . . . **evidence** of things not seen" (Hebrews 11:1) = **LOGOS / Logikos Faith**

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Remember: Man's Way vs. God's Way



Man's Religions
 "Good" Works are not enough
 Romans 3:23; 6:23

Jesus' Relationship
 His Perfect Life is necessary - Mat 5:48

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Safe and Secure: *Under God's Hand*



*My adopted
"Black" Grandfather*

1 Peter 5:5-7

"God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble. Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may lift you up, casting all your anxieties on Him, because He cares for you."



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His WAY = His Cross = His Good Work



Our Choice by

*His grace alone through faith alone,
apart from our good works*



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