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[Hebrew, *ma-shach'*, Greek, *Khri-stos'*]

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- From the **Hebrew** root verb *ma-shach'*, meaning, smear, and so anoint.
 - And unfermented bread and unfermented ring-shaped cakes moistened with oil and unfermented wafers smeared with oil. Out of fine wheat flour you will make them. (**Exodus 29:2**)
 - And you must take the anointing oil and pour it upon his head and anoint him. (**Exodus 29:7**)
 - **Messiah** *ma-shi'ach* means, **anointed** or **anointed one**. The **Greek** equivalent is *Khri-stos'*, or Christ.
 - And on gathering together all the chief priests and scribes of the people he began to inquire of them where the **Christ** was to be born. (**Matthew 2:4**) Footnote
 - In the Hebrew Scriptures the verbal adjective form *ma-shi'ach* is applied to many men. David was officially appointed to be king by being anointed with oil and so is spoken of as **anointed one** or, literally, **messiah**.
 - At once Abishai the son of Zeruiah answered and said; In return for this should not Shimei be put to death, in that he called evil down upon the anointed of Yehowah? (**2 Samuel 19:21**)
 - The One doing great acts of salvation for his king and exercising loving-kindness to his anointed one, to David and to his seed for

time indefinite. (2 Samuel 22:51)

- And these are the last words of David; The utterance of David the son of Jesse, and the utterance of the able-bodied man that was raised up on high, the anointed of the God of Jacob, and the pleasant one of the melodies of Israel. (2 Samuel 23:1)
- He is doing great acts of salvation for his king and exercising loving-kindness to his **anointed one**, to David and to his seed to time indefinite. (Psalms 18:50)
- Other kings, including Saul and Solomon, are termed, **anointed one** or **the anointed of Yehowah**.
- As for Yehowah, those contending against him will be terrified, Against them he will thunder in the heavens. Yehowah himself will judge the ends of the earth, that he may give strength to his king, that he may exalt the horn of his **anointed one**. (1 Samuel 2:10)
- And I shall certainly raise up for myself a faithful priest. In harmony with what is in my heart and in my soul he will do, and I shall certainly build for him a lasting house, and he will certainly walk before my **anointed one** always. (1 Samuel 2:35)
- Here I am. Answer against me in front of Yehowah and in front of his anointed one; Whose bull have I taken or whose ass have I taken or whom have I defrauded or whom have I crushed or from whose hand have I accepted hush money that I should hide my eyes with it? And I shall make restoration to you people. (1 Samuel 12:3)
- So he said to them; Yehowah is a witness against you, and his anointed one is a witness this day that you have found nothing at all in my hand. To this they said; He is a witness. (1 Samuel 12:5)
- Hence he said to his men; It is unthinkable, on my part, from Yehowah's standpoint, that I should do this thing to my lord, the anointed of Yehowah, by thrusting out my hand against him, for he is **the anointed of Yehowah**. (1 Samuel 24:6)
- Here this day your eyes have seen how Yehowah gave you today into my hand in the cave, and someone said to kill you, but I felt

- sorry for you and said; I shall not thrust out my hand against my lord, for he is the **anointed of Yehowah**. (1 Samuel 24:10)
- Then David said to him; How was it that you did not fear to thrust your hand out to bring **the anointed of Yehowah** to ruin? (2 Samuel 1:14)
 - David then said to him; The bloodguilt for you be upon your own head, because your own mouth has testified against you, saying; I myself definitely put the **anointed of Yehowah** to death. (2 Samuel 1:16)
 - O Yehowah God, do not turn back the face of your **anointed one**. O do remember the loving-kindnesses to David your servant. (2 Chronicles 6:42)
 - The very breath of our nostrils, the **anointed one** of Yehowah, has been captured in their large pit. The one of whom we have said; In his shade we shall live among the nations. (Lamentations 4:20)
 - The term is also applied to the High Priest.
 - If the priest, the **anointed one**, sins so as to bring guiltiness upon the people, then he must present for his sin that he has committed a sound young bull to Yehowah as a sin offering. (Leviticus 4:3)
 - And the priest, the anointed one, must take some of the bull's blood and bring it into the tent of meeting. (Leviticus 4:5)
 - Then the priest, the **anointed one**, must bring some of the bull's blood into the tent of meeting. (Leviticus 4:16)
 - And the priest, the **one anointed** in place of him from among his sons, will make it. It is a regulation to time indefinite. As a whole offering it will be made to smoke to Yehowah. (Leviticus 6:22)
 - The patriarchs Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob are called Yehowah's **anointed ones**.
 - Which covenant he concluded with Abraham, and his sworn statement to Isaac. (1 Chronicles 16:16)

- Saying; Do not you men touch my **anointed ones**, and to my prophets do nothing bad. (**1 Chronicles 16:22**) Footnote
- Persian King Cyrus is termed, **anointed one**, in that he was appointed by God for a certain assignment.
- This is what Yehowah has said to his **anointed one**, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have taken hold of, to subdue before him nations, so that I may ungird even the hips of kings, to open before him the two-leaved doors, so that even the gates will not be shut. (**Isaiah 45:1**)

See Also ANOINTED, ANOINTING

- In the **Christian Greek Scriptures** the transliterated form *Mes-si'as* occurs in the **Greek** text at;
- First this one found his own brother, Simon, and said to him; We have found the **Messiah**, Which means, when translated, **Christ**. (**John 1:41**)
- With the explanation, which means, when translated, **Christ**.
- The woman said to him; I know that **Messiah** is coming, who is called **Christ**. Whenever that one arrives, he will declare all things to us openly. (**John 4:25**)
- Sometimes the word *Khri-stos'* is used alone with reference to the one who is or who claims to be the **Messiah**, or the **Anointed One**.
- And on gathering together all the chief priests and scribes of the people he began to inquire of them where the Christ was to be born. (**Matthew 2:4**)
- What do you think about the Christ? Whose son is he? They said to him; David's. (**Matthew 22:42**)
- Then, too, if anyone says to you; See! Here is the Christ. See! There he is. Do not believe it. (**Mark 13:21**)
- In most of its appearances, though, *Khri-stos'* is accompanied by the personal name Jesus, as in the expressions, **Jesus Christ** or **Christ Jesus**, to designate **him** as the **Messiah**. At times the word is used

alone, but specifically referring to Jesus with the understanding that Jesus is **The Christ**, as in the statement, **Christ** died for us.

- But God recommends his own love to us in that, while we were yet sinners, **Christ** died for us. (**Romans 5:8**)
- This means everlasting life, their taking in knowledge of you, the only true God, and of the one whom you sent forth, **Jesus Christ**. (**John 17:3**)
- Paul, called to be an apostle of **Jesus Christ** through God's will, and Sosthenes our brother. (**1 Corinthians 1:1**)
- To the congregation of God that is in Corinth, to you who have been sanctified in union with **Christ Jesus**, called to be holy ones, together with all who everywhere are calling upon the name of our Lord, **Jesus Christ**, their Lord and ours. (**1 Corinthians 1:2**)
- May my love be with all of you in union with Christ Jesus. (**1 Corinthians 16:24**)

See Also CHRIST

•• **Messiah In The Hebrew Scriptures**

- And you should know and have the insight that from the going forth of the word to restore and to rebuild Jerusalem until **Messiah** the Leader, there will be seven weeks, also sixty-two weeks. She will return and be actually rebuilt, with a public square and moat, but in the straits of the times. (**Daniel 9:25**)
- And after the sixty-two weeks **Messiah** will be cut off, with nothing for himself. And the city and the holy place the people of a leader that is coming will bring to their ruin. And the end of it will be by the flood. And until the end there will be war, what is decided upon is desolations. (**Daniel 9:26**)
- The **Hebrew** word *ma-shi'ach* applies **exclusively** to the coming **Messiah**. However, many other texts of the Hebrew Scriptures also point to this **coming One**, even if not exclusively so. For instance,
- The kings of earth take their stand and high officials themselves have massed together as one against Yehowah and against his **anointed one**. (**Psalms 2:2**)

- Evidently had first application at the time when Philistine kings tried to unseat anointed King David. But a second application, to the foretold **Messiah**, is established by;
- And who through Holy Spirit said by the mouth of our forefather David, your servant; Why did nations become tumultuous and peoples meditate upon empty things? (**Acts of Apostles 4:25**)
- The kings of the earth took their stand and the rulers massed together as one against Yehowah and against his **anointed one**. (**Acts of Apostles 4:26**)
- Even so, both Herod and Pontius Pilate with men of nations and with peoples of Israel were in actuality gathered together in this city against your holy servant Jesus, whom you **anointed**. (**Acts of Apostles 4:27**)
- Where the text is applied to **Jesus Christ**. Also, many of the men called, **anointed** in various ways prefigured, or pictured, **Jesus Christ** and the work he would do, among these were David, the High Priest of Israel, and Moses spoken of as, **Christ** at;
- By faith Moses was hid for three months by his parents after his birth, because they saw the young child was beautiful and they did not fear the order of the king. (**Hebrews 11:23**)
- By faith Moses, when grown up, refused to be called the son of the daughter of Pharaoh. (**Hebrews 11:24**)
- Choosing to be ill-treated with the people of God rather than to have the temporary enjoyment of sin. (**Hebrews 11:25**)
- Because he esteemed the reproach of the Christ as riches greater than the treasures of Egypt, for he looked intently toward the payment of the reward. (**Hebrews 11:26**)

See Also SEVENTY WEEKS

· Prophecies Not Using Messiah

- Numerous other Hebrew Scripture texts that do not specifically mention, **Messiah** were understood by the Jews as prophecies applying to that one.

- **Alfred Edersheim** located 456 passages to which the **ancient Synagogue referred as Messianic**, and there were 558 references in the most ancient rabbinic writings supporting such applications. [*The Life and Times of Jesus the Messiah*, 1906, Vol. I, p. 163][Vol. II, pp. 710-737]

- **As an example;**

- **Accordingly I sent for Eliezer, Ariel, Shemaiah and Elnathan and Jarib and Elnathan and Nathan and Zechariah and Meshullam, head ones, and for Joiarib and Elnathan, instructors. (Ezra 8:16)**

- **Prophesied that the ruling scepter would belong to the tribe of Judah and that Shiloh would come through that line. The Targum of Onkelos, the Jerusalem Targums, and the Midrash all recognize the expression, Shiloh, as applying to the Messiah.**

- **The Hebrew Scriptures contain many prophecies that provide details about the Messiah's background, time of appearance, activities, treatment by others, and place in God's arrangement.**

- **The various indications about the Messiah thus combined to form one grand picture that would help true worshipers to identify him. This would provide a basis for faith in him as the true Leader sent by Yehowah.**

- **Though the Jews did not recognize ahead of time all the prophecies that related to the Anointed One, the evidence in the Gospels shows that they had sufficient knowledge by which to recognize the Messiah when he did appear.**

•• **Understanding In The First Century C.E.**

- **The historical information available reveals a general picture of the extent of understanding about the Messiah prevalent among Jews in the First Century of the Common Era. Primarily this information is gleaned from the Gospels.**

•• **King And Son Of David**

- **It was commonly accepted among the Jews that the Messiah would be a king of the line of David. When the astrologers asked about the one born king of the Jews, Herod the Great knew that they were asking about the Christ.**

- Saying; Where is the one born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when we were in the east, and we have come to do him obeisance. (**Matthew 2:2**)
- At hearing this King Herod was agitated, and all Jerusalem along with him. (**Matthew 2:3**)
- And on gathering together all the chief priests and scribes of the people he began to inquire of them where the **Christ** was to be born. (**Matthew 2:4**)
- Jesus questioned the Pharisees as to whose descendant the **Christ**, or **Messiah**, would be. Though those religious leaders did not believe in Jesus, they knew that the **Messiah** would be David's son.
- Now while the Pharisees were gathered together Jesus asked them. (**Matthew 22:41**)
- What do you think about the Christ? Whose son is he? They said to him; David's. (**Matthew 22:42**)
- He said to them; How, then, is it that David by inspiration calls him Lord, saying; (**Matthew 22:43**)
- Yehowah said to my Lord; Sit at my right hand until I put your enemies beneath your feet? (**Matthew 22:44**)
- If, therefore, David calls him Lord, how is he his son? (**Matthew 22:45**)

·· **Born In Bethlehem**

- And you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, the one too little to get to be among the thousands of Judah, from you there will come out to me the one who is to become ruler in Israel, whose origin is from early times, from the days of time indefinite. (**Micah 5:2**)
- And he will certainly stand and do shepherding in the strength of Yehowah, in the superiority of the name of Yehowah his God. And they will certainly keep dwelling, for now he will be great as far as the ends of the earth. (**Micah 5:4**)
- Had indicated that out of Bethlehem would come one to be ruler in Israel who would be great as far as the ends of the earth. This was

understood to refer to the **Messiah**. When Herod the Great asked the chief priests and scribes where the Messiah was to be born, they answered, In Bethlehem of Judea, and quoted:

- And you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, the one too little to get to be among the thousands of Judah, from you there will come out to me the one who is to become ruler in Israel, whose origin is from early times, from the days of time indefinite. (**Micah 5:2**)
- At hearing this King Herod was agitated, and all Jerusalem along with him. (**Matthew 2:3**)
- And on gathering together all the chief priests and scribes of the people he began to inquire of them where the Christ was to be born. (**Matthew 2:4**)
- They said to him; In Bethlehem of Judea. For this is how it has been written through the prophet. (**Matthew 2:5**)
- And you, O Bethlehem of the land of Judah, are by no means the most insignificant city among the governor's of Judah, for out of you will come forth a governing one, who will shepherd my people, Israel. (**Matthew 2:6**)
- And even some of the common people knew this.
- Others were saying; This is the Christ. But some were saying; The Christ is not actually coming out of Galilee, is he? (**John 7:41**)
- Has not the Scripture said that the Christ is coming from the offspring of David, and from Bethlehem the village where David used to be? (**John 7:42**)

.. A Prophet Who Would Perform Many Signs

- Through Moses, God had foretold the coming of a great prophet.
- A prophet I shall raise up for them from the midst of their brothers, like you, and I shall indeed put my words in his mouth, and he will certainly speak to them all that I shall command him. (**Deuteronomy 18:18**)
- In Jesus day Jews were waiting for this one.

- Hence when the men saw the signs he performed, they began to say; This is for a certainty the prophet that was to come into the world. (John 6:14)
- The way in which the apostle Peter used Moses words, at;
- In fact, Moses said; Yehowah God will raise up for you from among your brothers a prophet like me. You **must listen to him according to all the things he speaks to you.** (Acts of Apostles 3:22)
- Indeed, any soul that does not listen to that Prophet will be completely destroyed from among the people. (Acts of Apostles 3:23)
- Indicates he knew they would be accepted as Messianic in nature even by religious opposers, and this gives evidence of widespread understanding of;
- A prophet I shall raise up for them from the midst of their brothers, like you, and I shall indeed put my words in his mouth, and he will certainly speak to them all that I shall command him. (Deuteronomy 18:18)
- The Samaritan woman by the well also thought the **Messiah** would be a prophet.
- The woman said to him; Sir, I perceive you are a prophet. (John 4:19)
- The woman said to him; I know that **Messiah** is coming, who is called Christ. Whenever that one arrives, he will declare all things to us openly. (John 4:25)
- Come here, see a man that told me all the things I did. This is not perhaps the Christ, is it? (John 4:29)
- People expected the **Messiah** to perform signs.
- Still, many of the crowd put faith in him, and they commenced saying; When the Christ arrives, he will not perform more signs than this man has performed, will he? (John 7:31)

•• Some Variety In Beliefs

- It is evident that even though knowledge about the coming **Messiah** was common among the Jews, not all persons had the same knowledge or understanding about that one. For instance, though many knew that he would come from Bethlehem, some did not.
- At hearing this King Herod was agitated, and all Jerusalem along with him. (**Matthew 2:3**)
- And on gathering together all the chief priests and scribes of the people he began to inquire of them where the Christ was to be born. (**Matthew 2:4**)
- They said to him; In Bethlehem of Judea, for this is how it has been written through the prophet. (**Matthew 2:5**)
- And you, O Bethlehem of the land of Judah, are by no means the most insignificant city among the governor's of Judah, for out of you will come forth a governing one, who will shepherd my people, Israel. (**Matthew 2:6**)
- On the contrary, we know where this man is from, yet when the Christ comes, no one is to know where he is from. (**John 7:27**)
- Some believed the Prophet to be separate from the Christ.
- And he confessed and did not deny, but confessed; I am not the Christ. (**John 1:20**)
- And they asked him; What, then? Are you Elijah? And he said; I am not. Are you The Prophet? And he answered; No! (**John 1:21**)
- Therefore some of the crowd that heard these words began saying; This is for a certainty The Prophet. (**John 7:40**)
- Others were saying; This is the Christ. But some were saying; The Christ is not actually coming out of Galilee, is he? (**John 7:41**)
- Certain prophecies about the **Messiah** were not understood, even by **Jesus disciples**. This was particularly true about those prophecies dealing with the **Messiah's** rejection, suffering, death, and resurrection.

- **He was despised and was avoided by men, a man meant for pains and for having acquaintance with sickness. And there was as if the concealing of one's face from us. He was despised, and we held him as of no account. (Isaiah 53:3)**
- **But he was being pierced for our transgression, he was being crushed for our errors. The chastisement meant for our peace was upon him, and because of his wounds there has been a healing for us. (Isaiah 53:5)**
- **For that reason I shall deal him a portion among the many, and it will be with the mighty ones that he will apportion the spoil, due to the fact that he poured out his soul to the very death, and it was with the transgressors that he was counted in, and he himself carried the very sin of many people, and for the transgressors he proceeded to interpose. (Isaiah 53:12)**
- **For you will not leave my soul in Sheol. You will not allow your loyal one to see the pit. (Psalms 16:10)**
- **From that time forward Jesus Christ commenced showing his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the older men and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised up. (Matthew 16:21)**
- **At this Peter took him aside and commenced rebuking him, saying; Be kind to yourself, Lord; You will not have this destiny at all. (Matthew 16:22)**
- **But, turning his back, he said to Peter; Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me, because you think, not God's thoughts, but those of men. (Matthew 16:23)**
- **It was while they were gathered together in Galilee that Jesus said to them; The Son of man is destined to be betrayed into men's hands. (Matthew 17:22)**
- **And they will kill him, and the third day he will be raised up. Consequently they were very much grieved. (Matthew 17:23)**
- **But we were hoping that this man was the one destined to deliver Israel. Yes, and besides all these things, this makes the third day since these things occurred. (Luke 24:21)**

- **Therefore the crowd answered him; We heard from the Law that the Christ remains forever. How is it you say that the Son of man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of man? (John 12:34)**
- **For they did not yet discern the scripture that he must rise from the dead. (John 20:9)**
- **Yet once these things had taken place and the prophecies had been explained, his disciples and even ones who were not yet disciples began to appreciate the prophetic nature of these texts in the Hebrew Scriptures.**
- **Then he opened up their minds fully to grasp the meaning of the Scriptures. (Luke 24:45)**
- **And he said to them; In this way it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from among the dead on the third day. (Luke 24:46)**
- **As it was, there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, reverent men, from every nation of those under heaven. (Acts of Apostles 2:5)**
- **Because you will not leave my soul in Hades, neither will you allow your loyal one to see corruption. (Acts of Apostles 2:27)**
- **You have made life's ways known to me, you will fill me with good cheer with your face. (Acts of Apostles 2:28)**
- **He saw beforehand and spoke concerning the resurrection of the Christ, that neither was he forsaken in Hades nor did his flesh see corruption. (Acts of Apostles 2:31)**
- **Therefore let all the house of Israel know for a certainty that God made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you impaled. (Acts of Apostles 2:36)**
- **Now when they heard this they were stabbed to the heart, and they said to Peter and the rest of the apostles; Men, brothers, what shall we do? (Acts of Apostles 2:37)**
- **Philip ran alongside and heard him reading aloud Isaiah the prophet, and he said; Do you actually know what you are reading? (Acts of Apostles 8:30)**

- He said; Really, how could I ever do so, unless someone guided me? And he entreated Philip to get on and sit down with him. **(Acts of Apostles 8:31)**
- Now the passage of Scripture that he was reading aloud was this; As a sheep he was brought to the slaughter, and as a lamb that is voiceless before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. **(Acts of Apostles 8:32)**
- During his humiliation the judgment was taken away from him. Who will tell the details of his generation? Because his life is taken away from the earth. **(Acts of Apostles 8:33)**
- In answer the eunuch said to Philip; I beg you, About whom does the prophet say this? About himself or about some other man? **(Acts of Apostles 8:34)**
- Philip opened his mouth and, starting with this Scripture, he declared to him the Good News about Jesus. **(Acts of Apostles 8:35)**
- Since the fact that the **Messiah** had to suffer and die was not recognized by most Jews, this point was stressed by early Christians when preaching to Jews.
- But in this way God has fulfilled the things he announced beforehand through the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer. **(Acts of Apostles 3:18)**
- They now journeyed through Amphipolis and Apollonia and came to Thessalonica, where there was a synagogue of the Jews. **(Acts of Apostles 17:1)**
- So according to Paul's custom he went inside to them, and for three Sabbaths he reasoned with them from the Scriptures. **(Acts of Apostles 17:2)**
- Explaining and proving by references that it was necessary for the **Christ** to suffer and to rise from the dead, and saying; This is the **Christ**, this Jesus whom I am publishing to you. **(Acts of Apostles 17:3)**
- On account of these things Jews seized me in the temple and

attempted to slay me. ([Acts of Apostles 26:21](#))

- However, because I have obtained the help that is from God I continue to this day bearing witness to both small and great, but saying nothing except things the Prophets as well as Moses stated were going to take place. ([Acts of Apostles 26:22](#))
- That the Christ was to suffer and, as the first to be resurrected from the dead, he was going to publish light both to this people and to the nations. ([Acts of Apostles 26:23](#))

· Wrong Expectations

- Luke's account indicates that many Jews were anxiously expecting the **Messiah** to appear at the particular time Jesus was on earth. Simeon and other Jews were waiting for Israel's consolation and Jerusalem's deliverance when the babe Jesus was brought to the temple.
- And, look! there was a man in Jerusalem named Simeon, and this man was righteous and reverent, waiting for Israel's consolation, and Holy Spirit was upon him. ([Luke 2:25](#))
- And in that very hour she came near and began returning thanks to God and speaking about the child to all those waiting for Jerusalem's deliverance. ([Luke 2:38](#))
- During the ministry of John the Baptizer, the people were in expectation about the Christ, or **Messiah**.
- Now as the people were in expectation and all were reasoning in their hearts about John; May he perhaps be the Christ? ([Luke 3:15](#))
- Many, though, expected the **Messiah** to meet their preconceived notions. The prophecies in the Hebrew Scriptures showed the Messiah as coming in two different roles. One was humble, and riding upon an ass, whereas the other was with the clouds of the heavens to annihilate opposers and have all rulerships serve him.
- Be very joyful, O daughter of Zion. Shout in triumph, O daughter of Jerusalem. Look! Your king himself comes to you. He is righteous, yes, saved, humble, and riding upon an ass, even upon a full-grown animal the son of a she-ass. ([Zechariah 9:9](#))

- I kept on beholding in the visions of the night, and, see there! With the clouds of the heavens someone **like a son of man** happened to be coming. To the Ancient of Days he gained access, and they brought him up close even before that One. (**Daniel 7:13**)
- The Jews failed to appreciate the fact that these prophecies related to two distinct appearances of the **Messiah**, these appearances occurring at widely separated times.
- Jewish sources agree with;
- And in that very hour she came near and began returning thanks to God and speaking about the child to all those waiting for Jerusalem's deliverance. (**Luke 2:38**)
- That the people at that time were waiting for Jerusalem's deliverance. **The Jewish Encyclopedia** observes; **They yearned for the promised deliverer of the house of David, who would free them from the yoke of the hated foreign usurper, would put an end to the impious Roman rule, and would establish His own reign of peace. [1976, Vol. VIII, p. 508]** They tried to make him an earthly king.
- Therefore Jesus, knowing they were about to come and seize him to make him king, withdrew again into the mountain all alone. (**John 6:15**)
- When he would not fulfill their expectations, they rejected him.
- Evidently the expectation that the **Messiah** would be an earthly king was shared by John the Baptizer and his disciples. John knew Jesus to be the **Messiah** and the Son of God, having seen him anointed with Holy Spirit and having heard God's voice of approval. John did not lack faith.
- Truly I say to you people, Among those born of women there has not been raised up a greater than John the Baptist, but a person that is a lesser one in the kingdom of the heavens is greater than he is. (**Matthew 11:11**)
- So his question; Are we to expect a different one? May have meant; Are we to expect yet another one who will fulfill all the hopes

of the Jews? **Christ** in reply pointed to the works he was doing, which things had been foretold in the Hebrew Scriptures.

- **He concluded; And happy is he who has not stumbled over me. This answer, while implying that faith and discernment would be needed, would satisfy and comfort John, assuring him that Jesus was the One who would fulfill God's promises.**
- **And said to him; Are you the Coming One, or are we to expect a different one? (Matthew 11:3)**
- **Now John's disciples reported to him about all these things. (Luke 7:18)**
- **So John summoned a certain two of his disciples and sent them to the Lord to say; Are you the Coming One or are we to expect a different one? (Luke 7:19)**
- **When they came up to him the men said; John the Baptist dispatched us to you to say; Are you the Coming One or are we to expect another? (Luke 7:20)**
- **In that hour he cured many of sicknesses and grievous diseases and wicked spirits, and granted many blind persons the favor of seeing. (Luke 7:21)**
- **Hence in answer he said to the two; Go your way, report to John what you saw and heard, the blind are receiving sight, the lame are walking, the lepers are being cleansed and the deaf are hearing, the dead are being raised up, the poor are being told the Good News. (Luke 7:22)**
- **And happy is he who has not stumbled over me. (Luke 7:23)**
- **Also, prior to his ascension, Jesus disciples held the view that he would at that time deliver Israel from Gentile domination and set up the Kingdom, restore the reign of the Davidic line on earth.**
- **But we were hoping that this man was the one destined to deliver Israel, yes, and besides all these things, this makes the third day since these things occurred. (Luke 24:21)**
- **When, now, they had assembled, they went asking him; Lord, are you restoring the kingdom to Israel at this time? (Acts of**

Apostles 1:6)

.. False Messiah's

- After Jesus death, the Jews followed many false **Messiah's**, as Jesus had foretold.
- For many will come on the basis of my name, saying; I am the **Christ**, and will mislead many. (**Matthew 24:5**)
- From Josephus it appears that in the **First Century** before the destruction of the Temple, in **70 C.E.** a number of **Messiah's** arose promising relief from the Roman yoke, and finding ready followers. [**The Jewish Encyclopedia, Vol. X, p. 251**]
- Then, in **132 C.E.**, Bar Kokhba, Bar Koziba, one of the most prominent of the **pseudo-Messiah's**, was hailed as **Messiah-king**. In crushing the revolt that he led, Roman soldiers killed thousands of Jews. While such **false Messiah's** illustrate that many Jews were primarily interested in a **political Messiah**, they also show that they properly expected a **personal Messiah**, not just a **Messianic** era or **Messianic** nation. Some believe Bar Kokhba was a descendant of David, which would have aided his **Messianic** claim.
- However, since the genealogical records evidently were destroyed in **70 C.E.**, later claimants to the office of **Messiah** could not establish proof that they were of David's family.
- The **Messiah** therefore had to appear before **70 C.E.**, as Jesus did, in order to prove his claim as the heir of David. This shows that persons still looking for the **Messiah's** earthly appearance are in error.
- Among such later false claimants to **Messiahship** were Moses of Crete, who asserted he would divide the sea between Crete and Palestine, and Serenus, who misled many Jews in Spain. **The Jewish Encyclopedia** lists 28 false **Messiah's** between the years **132 C.E.** and **1744 C.E.** [**Vol. X, pp. 252-255**]

.. Jesus Was Accepted As The Messiah

- The historical evidence found in the Gospels demonstrates that Jesus was indeed the **Messiah**. Persons in the **First Century C.E.**, who were in position to question the witnesses and examine the evidence, accepted the historical information as authentic.

• They were so sure of its accuracy that they were willing to endure persecution and die on behalf of their faith based on that assured information. The historical Gospel records show that various individuals openly acknowledged that Jesus was the **Christ**, or **Messiah**.

• In answer Simon Peter said; You are the **Christ**, the Son of the living God. (**Matthew 16:16**)

• She said to him; Yes, Lord; I have believed that you are the **Christ** the Son of God, the One coming into the world. (**John 11:27**)

• First this one found his own brother, Simon, and said to him; We have found the **Messiah** which means, when translated, Christ. (**John 1:41**)

• Philip found Nathanael and said to him; We have found the one of whom Moses, in the Law, and the Prophets wrote, Jesus, the son of Joseph, from Nazareth. (**John 1:45**)

• Nathanael answered him; Rabbi, you are the Son of God, you are King of Israel. (**John 1:49**)

• Jesus did not say they were incorrect, and on occasion he admitted being the **Christ**.

• In response Jesus said to him; Happy you are, Simon son of Jonah, because flesh and blood did not reveal it to you, but my Father who is in the heavens did. (**Matthew 16:17**)

• The woman said to him; I know that **Messiah** is coming, who is called **Christ**. Whenever that one arrives, he will declare all things to us openly. (**John 4:25**)

• Jesus said to her; I who am speaking to you am he. (**John 4:26**)

• Sometimes Jesus would not say pointedly that he was the **Messiah**, at times he directed others not to publicize it.

• And he put the question to them; You, though, who do you say I am? In answer Peter said to him; You are the **Christ**. (**Mark 8:29**)

- **At that he strictly charged them not to tell anyone about him. (Mark 8:30)**
- **As they were coming down out of the mountain, he expressly ordered them not to relate to anybody what they saw, until after the Son of man had risen from the dead. (Mark 9:9)**
- **Therefore the Jews encircled him and began to say to him; How long are you to keep our souls in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us outspokenly. (John 10:24)**
- **Jesus answered them; I told you, and yet you do not believe. The works that I am doing in the name of my Father, these bear witness about me. (John 10:25)**
- **Since Jesus was present where people could hear him and see his works, he wanted them to believe on the solid basis of this evidence, so that their faith would be founded on their own eyewitness view of the fulfillment of the Hebrew Scriptures.**
- **But I have the witness greater than that of John, for the very works that my Father assigned me to accomplish, the works themselves that I am doing, bear witness about me that the Father dispatched me. (John 5:36)**
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- **Consequently many more believed on account of what he said; (John 4:41)**
- **And they began to say to the woman; We do not believe any longer on account of your talk, for we have heard for ourselves and we know that this man is for a certainty the savior of the world. (John 4:42)**
- **Now the Gospel record of what Jesus was and did has been provided along with the Hebrew Scriptures, which supplied abundant**

information about what he would do, so that individuals may know and believe that Jesus is indeed the **Messiah**.

- But these have been written down that you may believe that Jesus is the **Christ** the Son of God, and that, because of believing, you may have life by means of his name. (**John 20:31**)

See Also JESUS CHRIST

·· Outstanding Prophecies Concerning Jesus And Their Fulfillment

- The scepter will not turn aside from Judah, neither the commander's staff from between his feet, until Shiloh comes, and to him the obedience of the peoples will belong. (**Genesis 49:10**)
- **Born of the tribe of Judah.**
- Abraham became father to Isaac. Isaac became father to Jacob. Jacob became father to Judah and his brothers. (**Matthew 1:2**)
- Judah became father to Perez and to Zerah by Tamar. Perez became father to Hezron. Hezron became father to Ram. (**Matthew 1:3**)
- Ram became father to Amminadab. Amminadab became father to Nahshon. Nahshon became father to Salmon. (**Matthew 1:4**)
- Salmon became father to Boaz by Rahab. Boaz became father to Obed by Ruth. Obed became father to Jesse. (**Matthew 1:5**)
- Jesse became father to David the king. David became father to Solomon by the wife of Uriah. (**Matthew 1:6**)
- Solomon became father to Rehoboam. Rehoboam became father to Abijah. Abijah became father to Asa. (**Matthew 1:7**)
- Asa became father to Jehoshaphat. Jehoshaphat became father to Jehoram. Jehoram became father to Uzziah. (**Matthew 1:8**)
- Uzziah became father to Jotham. Jotham became father to Ahaz. Ahaz became father to Hezekiah. (**Matthew 1:9**)
- Hezekiah became father to Manasseh. Manasseh became father to Amon. Amon became father to Josiah. (**Matthew 1:10**)

- **Josiah became father to Jeconiah and to his brothers at the time of the deportation to Babylon. (Matthew 1:11)**
- **After the deportation to Babylon Jeconiah became father to Shealtiel. Shealtiel became father to Zerubbabel. (Matthew 1:12)**
- **Zerubbabel became father to Abiud. Abiud became father to Eliakim. Eliakim became father to Azor. (Matthew 1:13)**
- **Azor became father to Zadok. Zadok became father to Achim. Achim became father to Eliud. (Matthew 1:14)**
- **Eliud became father to Eleazar. Eleazar became father to Matthan. Matthan became father to Jacob. (Matthew 1:15)**
- **Jacob became father to Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom Jesus was born, who is called Christ. (Matthew 1:16)**
- **Furthermore, Jesus himself, when he commenced his work, was about thirty years old, being the son, as the opinion was, of Joseph, son of Heli. (Luke 3:23)**
- **Son of Matthat, son of Levi, son of Melchi, son of Jannai, son of Joseph. (Luke 3:24)**
- **Son of Mattathias, son of Amos, son of Nahum, son of Esli, son of Naggai. (Luke 3:25)**
- **Son of Maath, son of Mattathias, son of Semein, son of Josech, son of Joda. (Luke 3:26)**
- **Son of Joanan, son of Rhesa, son of Zerubbabel, son of Shealtiel, son of Neri. (Luke 3:27)**
- **Son of Melchi, son of Addi, son of Cosam, son of Elmadam, son of Er. (Luke 3:28)**
- **Son of Jesus, son of Eliezer, son of Jorim, son of Matthat, son of Levi. (Luke 3:29)**
- **Son of Symeon, son of Judas, son of Joseph, son of Jonam, son of Eliakim. (Luke 3:30)**

- Son of Melea, son of Menna, son of Mattatha, son of Nathan, son of David. ([Luke 3:31](#))
- Son of Jesse, son of Obed, son of Boaz, son of Salmon, son of Nahshon. ([Luke 3:32](#))
- Son of Amminadab, son of Arni, son of Hezron, son of Perez, son of Judah. ([Luke 3:33](#))
- For it is quite plain that our Lord has sprung up out of Judah, a tribe about which Moses spoke nothing concerning priests. ([Hebrews 7:14](#))
- Yehowah has sworn to David, truly he will not draw back from it; Of the fruitage of your belly I shall set on your throne.
- The book of the history of Jesus Christ, son of David, son of Abraham.
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- Jacob became father to Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom Jesus was born, who is called Christ. (**Matthew 1:16**)
- And when they went into the house they saw the young child with Mary its mother, and, falling down, they did obeisance to it. They also opened their treasures and presented it with gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. (**Matthew 2:11**)
- From the family of,
- As Jesus was passing along from there, two blind men followed him, crying out and saying; Have mercy on us, Son of **David**. (**Matthew 9:27**)
- And after removing him, he raised up for them David as king, respecting whom he bore witness and said; I have found David the son of Jesse, a man agreeable to my heart, who will do all the things I desire. (**Acts of Apostles 13:22**)
- From the offspring of this man according to his promise God has brought to Israel a savior, Jesus. (**Acts of Apostles 13:23**)
- To the abundance of the princely rule and to peace there will be no end, upon the throne of David and upon his kingdom in order to establish it firmly and to sustain it by means of justice and by means of righteousness, from now on and to time indefinite. The very zeal of Yehowah of armies will do this. (**Isaiah 9:7**)
- David the son of;
- Concerning his Son, who sprang from the seed of David according to the flesh. (**Romans 1:3**)
- David the son of Jesse,

- For I say that Christ actually became a minister of those who are circumcised in behalf of God's truthfulness, so as to verify the promises He made to their forefathers. (**Romans 15:8**)
- And again Isaiah says; There will be the root of Jesse, and there will be one arising to rule nations, on him nations will rest their hope. (**Romans 15:12**)
- And there must go forth a twig out of the stump of Jesse, and out of his roots a sprout will be fruitful. (**Isaiah 11:1**)
- And it must occur in that day that there will be the root of Jesse that will be standing up as a signal for the peoples. To him even the nations will turn inquiringly, and his resting-place must become glorious. (**Isaiah 11:10**)
- And you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, the one too little to get to be among the thousands of Judah, from you there will come out to me the one who is to become ruler in Israel, whose origin is from early times, from the days of time indefinite. (**Micah 5:2**)
- **Born in Bethlehem.**
- Of course, Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, to David's city, which is called **Bethlehem**, because of his being a member of the house and family of David. (**Luke 2:4**)
- To get registered with Mary, who had been given him in marriage as promised, at present heavy with child. (**Luke 2:5**)
- While they were there, the days came to the full for her to give birth. (**Luke 2:6**)
- And she gave birth to her son, the firstborn, and she bound him with cloth bands and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the lodging room. (**Luke 2:7**)
- There were also in that same country shepherds living out of doors and keeping watches in the night over their flocks. (**Luke 2:8**)
- And suddenly Yehowah's angel stood by them, and Yehowah's

glory gleamed around them, and they became very fearful. (**Luke 2:9**)

- But the angel said to them; Have no fear, for, look! I am declaring to you Good News of a great joy that all the people will have. (**Luke 2:10**)
- Because there was born to you today a Savior, who is Christ the Lord, in David's city. (**Luke 2:11**)
- Has not the Scripture said that the Christ is coming from the offspring of David, and from Bethlehem the village where David used to be? (**John 7:42**)
- But the birth of Jesus Christ was in this way. During the time his mother Mary was promised in marriage to Joseph, she was found to be pregnant by Holy Spirit before they were united. (**Matthew 1:18**)
- However, Joseph her husband, because he was righteous and did not want to make her a public spectacle, intended to divorce her secretly. (**Matthew 1:19**)
- But after he had thought these things over, look! Yehowah's angel appeared to him in a dream, saying; Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife home, for that which has been begotten in her is by Holy Spirit. (**Matthew 1:20**)
- She will give birth to a son, and you must call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins. (**Matthew 1:21**)
- All this actually came about for that to be fulfilled which was spoken by Yehowah through his prophet, saying; (**Matthew 1:22**)
- Look! The virgin will become pregnant and will give birth to a son, and they will call his name Immanuel, which means, when translated, **With Us Is God**. (**Matthew 1:23**)
- So the angel said to her; Have no fear, Mary, for you have found favor with God. (**Luke 1:30**)
- And, look! You will conceive in your womb and give birth to a son, and you are to call his name Jesus. (**Luke 1:31**)

- **This one will be great and will be called Son of the Most High, and Yehowah God will give him the throne of David his father. (Luke 1:32)**
- **And he will rule as king over the house of Jacob forever, and there will be no end of his kingdom. (Luke 1:33)**
- **But Mary said to the angel; How is this to be, since I am having no intercourse with a man? (Luke 1:34)**
- **In answer the angel said to her; Holy spirit will come upon you, and power of the Most High will overshadow you. For that reason also what is born will be called holy, God's Son. (Luke 1:35)**
- **This is what Yehowah has said; In Ramah a voice is being heard, lamentation and bitter weeping. Rachel weeping over her sons. She has refused to be comforted over her sons, because they are no more. (Jeremiah 31:15)**
- **Babes killed after his birth.**
- **Then Herod, seeing he had been outwitted by the astrologers, fell into a great rage, and he sent out and had all the boys in Bethlehem and in all its districts done away with, from two years of age and under, according to the time that he had carefully ascertained from the astrologers. (Matthew 2:16)**
- **Then that was fulfilled which was spoken through Jeremiah the prophet, saying; (Matthew 2:17)**
- **A voice was heard in Ramah, weeping and much wailing, it was Rachel weeping for her children, and she was unwilling to take comfort, because they are no more. (Matthew 2:18)**
- **When Israel was a boy, then I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son. (Hosea 11:1)**
- **Called out of Egypt.**
- **And he stayed there until the decease of Herod, for that to be fulfilled which was spoken by Yehowah through his prophet, saying; Out of Egypt I called my son. (Matthew 2:15)**

- **Look! I am sending my messenger, and he must clear up a way before me. And suddenly there will come to His temple the true Lord, whom you people are seeking, and the messenger of the covenant in whom you are delighting. Look! He will certainly come, Yehowah of armies has said. (Malachi 3:1)**
- **Way prepared.**
- **In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea. (Matthew 3:1)**
- **Saying; Repent, for the kingdom of the heavens has drawn near. (Matthew 3:2)**
- **This, in fact, is the one spoken of through Isaiah the prophet in these words; Listen! Someone is crying out in the wilderness, Prepare the way of Yehowah, you people! Make his roads straight. (Matthew 3:3)**
- **This is he concerning whom it is written: Look! I myself am sending forth my messenger before your face, who will prepare your way ahead of you! (Matthew 11:10)**
- **Truly I say to you people, Among those born of women there has not been raised up a greater than John the Baptist, but a person that is a lesser one in the kingdom of the heavens is greater than he is. (Matthew 11:11)**
- **But from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of the heavens is the goal toward which men press, and those pressing forward are seizing it. (Matthew 11:12)**
- **For all, the Prophets and the Law, prophesied until John. (Matthew 11:13)**
- **And if you want to accept it, he himself is Elijah who is destined to come. (Matthew 11:14)**
- **Look! I am sending to you people Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and fear-inspiring day of Yehowah. (Malachi 4:5)**
- **However, the disciples put the question to him; Why, then, do the scribes say that Elijah must come first? (Matthew 17:10)**

- **In reply he said; Elijah, indeed, is coming and will restore all things. (Matthew 17:11)**
- **However, I say to you that Elijah has already come and they did not recognize him but did with him the things they wanted. In this way also the Son of man is destined to suffer at their hands. (Matthew 17:12)**
- **Then the disciples perceived that he spoke to them about John the Baptist. (Matthew 17:13)**
- **Also, he will go before him with Elijah's spirit and power, to turn back the hearts of fathers to children and the disobedient ones to the practical wisdom of righteous ones, to get ready for Yehowah a prepared people. (Luke 1:17)**
- **But as for you, young child, you will be called a prophet of the Most High, for you will go in advance before Yehowah to make his ways ready. (Luke 1:76)**
- **Listen! Someone is calling out in the wilderness; Clear up the way of Yehowah, you people! Make the highway for our God through the desert plain straight. (Isaiah 40:3)**
- **So he came into all the country around the Jordan, preaching baptism in symbol of repentance for forgiveness of sins. (Luke 3:3)**
- **Just as it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet; Listen! Someone is crying out in the wilderness, Prepare the way of Yehowah, you people, make his roads straight. (Luke 3:4)**
- **Every gully must be filled up, and every mountain and hill leveled down, and the curves must become straight ways and the rough places smooth ways. (Luke 3:5)**
- **And all flesh will see the saving means of God. (Luke 3:6)**
- **This is he concerning whom it is written: Look! I am sending forth my messenger before your face, who will prepare your way ahead of you. (Luke 7:27)**

- **And he confessed and did not deny, but confessed; I am not the Christ. (John 1:20)**
- **And they asked him; What, then? Are you Elijah? And he said; I am not. Are you The Prophet? And he answered; No! (John 1:21)**
- **Therefore they said to him; Who are you? that we may give an answer to those who sent us. What do you say about yourself? (John 1:22)**
- **He said; I am a voice of someone crying out in the wilderness, Make the way of Yehowah straight, just as Isaiah the prophet said. (John 1:23)**
- **Therefore a dispute arose on the part of the disciples of John with a Jew concerning purification. (John 3:25)**
- **So they came to John and said to him; Rabbi, the man that was with you across the Jordan, to whom you have borne witness, see, this one is baptizing and all are going to him. (John 3:26)**
- **In answer John said; A man cannot receive a single thing unless it has been given him from heaven. (John 3:27)**
- **You yourselves bear me witness that I said; I am not the Christ, but, I have been sent forth in advance of that one. (John 3:28)**
- **After John, in advance of the entry of that One, had preached publicly to all the people of Israel baptism in symbol of repentance. (Acts of Apostles 13:24)**
- **Paul said; John baptized with the baptism in symbol of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one coming after him, that is, in Jesus. (Acts of Apostles 19:4)**
- **The spirit of the Sovereign Lord Yehowah is upon me, for the reason that Yehowah has anointed me to tell Good News to the meek ones. He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to those taken captive and the wide opening of the eyes even to the prisoners. (Isaiah 61:1)**
- **To proclaim the year of goodwill on the part of Yehowah and the day of vengeance on the part of our God, to comfort all the**

mourning ones. ([Isaiah 61:2](#))

- **Commissioned by Yehowah**
- **Yehowah's spirit is upon me, because he anointed me to declare Good News to the poor, he sent me forth to preach a release to the captives and a recovery of sight to the blind, to send the crushed ones away with a release. ([Luke 4:18](#))**
- **To preach Yehowah's acceptable year. ([Luke 4:19](#))**
- **With that he rolled up the scroll, handed it back to the attendant and sat down, and the eyes of all in the synagogue were intently fixed upon him. ([Luke 4:20](#))**
- **Then he started to say to them; Today this scripture that you just heard is fulfilled. ([Luke 4:21](#))**
- **However, the obscureness will not be as when the land had stress, as at the former time when one treated with contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali and when at the later time one caused it to be honored, the way by the sea, in the region of the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. ([Isaiah 9:1](#))**
- **The people that were walking in the darkness have seen a great light. As for those dwelling in the land of deep shadow, light itself has shone upon them. ([Isaiah 9:2](#))**
- **Ministry caused people in Naphtali and Zebulun to see a great spiritual light**
- **Further, after leaving Nazareth, he came and took up residence in Capernaum beside the sea in the districts of Zebulun and Naphtali. ([Matthew 4:13](#))**
- **That there might be fulfilled what was spoken through Isaiah the prophet, saying; ([Matthew 4:14](#))**
- **O land of Zebulun and land of Naphtali, along the road of the sea, on the other side of the Jordan, Galilee of the nations! ([Matthew 4:15](#))**
- **The people sitting in darkness saw a great light, and as for those sitting in a region of deathly shadow, light rose upon them.**

(Matthew 4:16)

- **In a proverbial saying I will open my mouth. I will cause riddles of long ago to bubble forth. (Psalms 78:2)**
- **In reply he said; To you it is granted to understand the sacred secrets of the kingdom of the heavens, but to those people it is not granted. (Matthew 13:11)**
- **For whoever has, more will be given him and he will be made to abound, but whoever does not have, even what he has will be taken from him. (Matthew 13:12)**
- **This is why I speak to them by the use of illustrations, because, looking, they look in vain, and hearing, they hear in vain, neither do they get the sense of it. (Matthew 13:13)**
- **Another illustration he set before them, saying; The kingdom of the heavens is like a mustard grain, which a man took and planted in his field. (Matthew 13:31)**
- **Which is, in fact, the tiniest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the largest of the vegetables and becomes a tree, so that the birds of heaven come and find lodging among its branches. (Matthew 13:32)**
- **Another illustration he spoke to them; The kingdom of the heavens is like leaven, which a woman took and hid in three large measures of flour, until the whole mass was fermented. (Matthew 13:33)**
- **All these things Jesus spoke to the crowds by illustrations. Indeed, without an illustration he would not speak to them. (Matthew 13:34)**
- **That there might be fulfilled what was spoken through the prophet who said; I will open my mouth with illustrations, I will publish things hidden since the founding. (Matthew 13:35)**
- **Spoke with Illustrations.**
- **Truly our sicknesses were what he himself carried, and as for our pains, he bore them. But we ourselves accounted him as plagued, stricken by God and afflicted. (Isaiah 53:4)**

- **Carried our sicknesses.**
- **But after it became evening, people brought him many demon-possessed persons, and he expelled the spirits with a word, and he cured all who were faring badly. (Matthew 8:16)**
- **that there might be fulfilled what was spoken through Isaiah the prophet, saying; He himself took our sicknesses and carried our diseases. (Matthew 8:17)**
- **For sheer zeal for your house has eaten me up, and the very reproaches of those reproaching you have fallen upon me. (Psalms 69:9)**
- **Zealous for Yehowah's house.**
- **And Jesus entered into the temple and threw out all those selling and buying in the temple, and overturned the tables of the money changers and the benches of those selling doves. (Matthew 21:12)**
- **And he said to them; It is written: My house will be called a house of prayer, but you are making it a cave of robbers. (Matthew 21:13)**
- **Now the Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. (John 2:13)**
- **And he found in the temple those selling cattle and sheep and doves and the money brokers in their seats. (John 2:14)**
- **So, after making a whip of ropes, he drove all those with the sheep and cattle out of the temple, and he poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. (John 2:15)**
- **And he said to those selling the doves; Take these things away from here! Stop making the house of my Father a house of merchandise! (John 2:16)**
- **His disciples called to mind that it is written: The zeal for your house will eat me up. (John 2:17)**
- **Look! My servant, on whom I keep fast hold! My chosen one,**

- whom my soul has approved! I have put my spirit in him. Justice to the nations is what he will bring forth. ([Isaiah 42:1](#))
- He will not cry out or raise his voice, and in the street he will not let his voice be heard. ([Isaiah 42:2](#))
 - No crushed reed will he break, and as for a dim flaxen wick, he will not extinguish it. In trueness he will bring forth justice. ([Isaiah 42:3](#))
 - He will not grow dim nor be crushed until he sets justice in the earth itself, and for his Law the islands themselves will keep waiting. ([Isaiah 42:4](#))
 - **As Yehowah's servant, would not wrangle in streets.**
 - But the Pharisees went out and took counsel against him that they might destroy him. ([Matthew 12:14](#))
 - Having come to know this, Jesus withdrew from there. Many also followed him, and he cured them all. ([Matthew 12:15](#))
 - But he strictly charged them not to make him manifest. ([Matthew 12:16](#))
 - That there might be fulfilled what was spoken through Isaiah the prophet, who said. ([Matthew 12:17](#))
 - Look! My servant whom I chose, my beloved, whom my soul approved! I will put my spirit upon him, and what justice is he will make clear to the nations. ([Matthew 12:18](#))
 - He will not wrangle, nor cry aloud, nor will anyone hear his voice in the broad ways. ([Matthew 12:19](#))
 - No bruised reed will he crush, and no smoldering flaxen wick will he extinguish, until he sends out justice with success. ([Matthew 12:20](#))
 - Indeed, in his name nations will hope. ([Matthew 12:21](#))
 - Who has put faith in the thing heard by us? And as for the arm of Yehowah, to whom has it been revealed? ([Isaiah 53:1](#))

- **Not believed in;**
- **But although he had performed so many signs before them, they were not putting faith in him. (John 12:37)**
- **So that the word of Isaiah the prophet was fulfilled which he said; Yehowah, who has put faith in the thing heard by us? And as for the arm of Yehowah, to whom has it been revealed? (John 12:38)**
- **For the Scripture says; None that rests his faith on him will be disappointed. (Romans 10:11)**
- **Nevertheless, they did not all obey the Good News. For Isaiah says; Yehowah, who put faith in the thing heard from us? (Romans 10:16)**
- **Be very joyful, O daughter of Zion. Shout in triumph, O daughter of Jerusalem. Look! Your king himself comes to you. He is righteous, yes, saved, humble, and riding upon an ass, even upon a full-grown animal the son of a she-ass. (Zechariah 9:9)**
- **Entry into Jerusalem on colt;**
- **Well, when they got close to Jerusalem and arrived at Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent forth two disciples. (Matthew 21:1)**
- **Saying to them; Be on your way into the village that is within sight of you, and you will at once find an ass tied, and a colt with her, untie them and bring them to me. (Matthew 21:2)**
- **And if someone says anything to you, you must say; The Lord needs them. At that he will immediately send them forth. (Matthew 21:3)**
- **This actually took place that there might be fulfilled what was spoken through the prophet, saying; (Matthew 21:4)**
- **Tell the daughter of Zion, Look! Your King is coming to you, mild-tempered, and mounted upon an ass, yes, upon a colt, the offspring of a beast of burden. (Matthew 21:5)**
- **So the disciples got on their way and did just as Jesus ordered**

- them. (**Matthew 21:6**)
- **And they brought the ass and its colt, and they put upon these their outer garments, and he seated himself upon them. (**Matthew 21:7**)**
 - **Most of the crowd spread their outer garments on the road, while others began cutting down branches from the trees and spreading them on the road. (**Matthew 21:8**)**
 - **As for the crowds, those going ahead of him and those following kept crying out; Save, we pray, the Son of David! Blessed is he that comes in Yehowah's name! Save him, we pray, in the heights above! (**Matthew 21:9**)**
 - **And they brought the colt to Jesus, and they put their outer garments upon it, and he sat on it. (**Mark 11:7**)**
 - **Also, many spread their outer garments on the road, but others cut down foliage from the fields. (**Mark 11:8**)**
 - **And those going in front and those coming behind kept crying out; Save, we pray! Blessed is he that comes in Yehowah's name! (**Mark 11:9**)**
 - **Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Save, we pray, in the heights above! (**Mark 11:10**)**
 - **And he entered into Jerusalem, into the temple, and he looked around upon all things, and, as the hour was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve. (**Mark 11:11**)**
 - **Blessed be the One coming in the name of Yehowah, we have blessed you people out of the house of Yehowah. (**Psalms 118:26**)**
 - **So, after he had said these things, he began to go on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. (**Luke 19:28**)**
 - **And when he got near to Bethphage and Bethany at the mountain called Mount of Olives, he sent forth two of the disciples. (**Luke 19:29**)**
 - **Saying; Go into the village that is within sight of you, and in it**

after you pass in you will find a colt tied, on which none of mankind ever sat. Loose it and bring it. (Luke 19:30)

- But if anyone asks you, Why is it you are loosing it? You must speak in this way; The Lord needs it. (Luke 19:31)
- So those who were sent forth departed and found it just as he said to them. (Luke 19:32)
- But as they were loosing the colt the owners of it said to them; Why are you loosing the colt? (Luke 19:33)
- They said; The Lord needs it. (Luke 19:34)
- And they led it to Jesus, and they threw their outer garments upon the colt and set Jesus upon it. (Luke 19:35)
- As he moved along they kept spreading their outer garments on the road. (Luke 19:36)
- As soon as he got near the road down the Mount of Olives all the multitude of the disciples started to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice concerning all the powerful works they had seen. (Luke 19:37)
- Saying; Blessed is the One coming as the King in Yehowah's name! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest places! (Luke 19:38)
- Rides on a colt of an ass, hailed as king and one coming in Yehowah's name.
- The next day the great crowd that had come to the festival, on hearing that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. (John 12:12)
- took the branches of palm trees and went out to meet him. And they began to shout; Save, we pray you! Blessed is he that comes in Yehowah's name, even the king of Israel! (John 12:13)
- But when Jesus had found a young ass, he sat on it, just as it is written. (John 12:14)
- Have no fear, daughter of Zion. Look! Your king is coming, seated upon an ass's colt. (John 12:15)

- **Therefore this is what the Sovereign Lord Yehowah has said; Here I am laying as a foundation in Zion a stone, a tried stone, the precious corner of a sure foundation. No one exercising faith will get panicky. (Isaiah 28:16)**
- **Rejected;**
- **Jesus said to them; Did you never read in the Scriptures: The stone that the builders rejected is the one that has become the chief cornerstone. From Yehowah this has come to be, and it is marvelous in our eyes? (Matthew 21:42)**
- **Now when the chief priests and the Pharisees had heard his illustrations, they took note that he was speaking about them. (Matthew 21:45)**
- **But, although they were seeking to seize him, they feared the crowds, because these held him to be a prophet. (Matthew 21:46)**
- **Yes, you disowned that holy and righteous one, and you asked for a man, a murderer, to be freely granted to you. (Acts of Apostles 3:14)**
- **He was despised and was avoided by men, a man meant for pains and for having acquaintance with sickness. And there was as if the concealing of one's face from us. He was despised, and we held him as of no account. (Isaiah 53:3)**
- **But becomes chief cornerstone.**
- **This is the stone that was treated by you builders as of no account that has become the head of the corner. (Acts of Apostles 4:11)**
- **It is to you, therefore, that he is precious, because you are believers, but to those not believing, the identical stone that the builders rejected has become the head of the corner. (1 Peter 2:7)**
- **I have become one estranged to my brothers, and a foreigner to the sons of my mother. (Psalms 69:8)**

- The stone that the builders rejected has become the head of the corner. (**Psalm 118:22**)
- This has come to be from Yehowah himself, it is wonderful in our eyes. (**Psalm 118:23**)
- And he must become as a sacred place, but as a stone to strike against and as a rock over which to stumble to both the houses of Israel, as a trap and as a snare to the inhabitants of Jerusalem. (**Isaiah 8:14**)
- And many among them will be certain to stumble and to fall and be broken, and to be snared and caught. (**Isaiah 8:15**)
- **Becomes stone of stumbling;**
- But he looked upon them and said; What, then, does this that is written mean; The stone which the builders rejected, this has become the chief cornerstone? (**Luke 20:17**)
- Everyone falling upon that stone will be shattered. As for anyone upon whom it falls, it will pulverize him. (**Luke 20:18**)
- But Israel, although pursuing a Law of righteousness, did not attain to the Law. (**Romans 9:31**)
- For what reason? Because he pursued it, not by faith, but as by works. They stumbled on the stone of stumbling. (**Romans 9:32**)
- As it is written: Look! I am laying in Zion a stone of stumbling and a rock-mass of offense, but he that rests his faith on it will not come to disappointment. (**Romans 9:33**)
- Also the man at peace with me, in whom I trusted, who was eating my bread, has magnified his heel against me. (**Psalm 41:9**)
- **One apostle,**
- And while he was yet speaking, look! Judas, one of the twelve, came and with him a great crowd with swords and clubs from the chief priests and older men of the people. (**Matthew 26:47**)
- Now his betrayer had given them a sign, saying; Whoever it is I

kiss, this is he, take him into custody. (**Matthew 26:48**)

- And going straight up to Jesus he said; Good day, Rabbi! And kissed him very tenderly. (**Matthew 26:49**)
- But Jesus said to him; Fellow, for what purpose are you present? Then they came forward and laid hands on Jesus and took him into custody. (**Matthew 26:50**)
- I am not talking about all of you, I know the ones I have chosen. But it is in order, that the Scripture might be fulfilled, He that used to feed on my bread has lifted up his heel against me. (**John 13:18**)
- Therefore Jesus answered; It is that one to whom I shall give the morsel that I dip. And so, having dipped the morsel, he took and gave it to Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot. (**John 13:26**)
- And after the morsel then Satan entered into the latter. Jesus, therefore, said to him; What you are doing get done more quickly. (**John 13:27**)
- However, none of those reclining at the table knew for what purpose he said this to him. (**John 13:28**)
- Some, in fact, were imagining, since Judas was holding the money box, that Jesus was telling him; Buy what things we need for the festival, or that he should give something to the poor. (**John 13:29**)
- Therefore, after he received the morsel, he went out immediately. And it was night. (**John 13:30**)
- Let his days prove to be few, his office of oversight let someone else take. (**Psalms 109:8**)
- Unfaithful, betrays him;
- Men, brothers, it was necessary for the scripture to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by David's mouth about Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. (**Acts of Apostles 1:16**)
- Because he had been numbered among us and he obtained a

share in this ministry. (**Acts of Apostles 1:17**)

- This very man, therefore, purchased a field with the wages for unrighteousness, and pitching head foremost he noisily burst in his midst and all his intestines were poured out. (**Acts of Apostles 1:18**)
- It also became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that that field was called in their language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood. (**Acts of Apostles 1:19**)
- For it is written in the book of Psalms; Let his lodging place become desolate, and let there be no dweller in it, and, His office of oversight let someone else take. (**Acts of Apostles 1:20**)
- Then I said to them; If it is good in your eyes, give me my wages, but if not, refrain. And they proceeded to pay my wages, thirty pieces of silver. (**Zechariah 11:12**)
- **Betrayed for 30 pieces of silver.**
- And said; What will you give me to betray him to you? They stipulated to him thirty silver pieces. (**Matthew 26:15**)
- Then Judas, who betrayed him, seeing he had been condemned, felt remorse and turned the thirty silver pieces back to the chief priests and older men. (**Matthew 27:3**)
- Saying; I sinned when I betrayed righteous blood. They said; What is that to us? You must see to that! (**Matthew 27:4**)
- So he threw the silver pieces into the temple and withdrew, and went off and hanged himself. (**Matthew 27:5**)
- But the chief priests took the silver pieces and said; It is not lawful to drop them into the sacred treasury, because they are the price of blood. (**Matthew 27:6**)
- After consulting together, they bought with them the potter's field to bury strangers. (**Matthew 27:7**)
- Therefore that field has been called, **Field of Blood** to this very day. (**Matthew 27:8**)

- **Then what was spoken through Jeremiah the prophet was fulfilled, saying; And they took the thirty silver pieces, the price upon the man that was priced, the one on whom some of the sons of Israel set a price. (Matthew 27:9)**
- **And they gave them for the potter's field, according to what Yehowah had commanded me. (Matthew 27:10)**
- **And Judas Iscariot, one of the twelve, went off to the chief priests in order to betray him to them. (Mark 14:10)**
- **When they heard it, they rejoiced and promised to give him silver money. So he began seeking how to betray him conveniently. (Mark 14:11)**
- **O sword, awake against my shepherd, even against the able-bodied man who is my associate, is the utterance of Yehowah of armies. Strike the shepherd, and let those of the flock be scattered, and I shall certainly turn my hand back upon those who are insignificant. (Zechariah 13:7)**
- **Disciples scatter,**
- **Then Jesus said to them; All of you will be stumbled in connection with me on this night, for it is written: I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered about. (Matthew 26:31)**
- **But all this has taken place for the scriptures of the prophets to be fulfilled. Then all the disciples abandoned him and fled. (Matthew 26:56)**
- **Look! The hour is coming, indeed, it has come, when you will be scattered each one to his own house and you will leave me alone, and yet I am not alone, because the Father is with me. (John 16:32)**
- **Why have the nations been in tumult and the national groups themselves kept muttering an empty thing? (Psalms 2:1)**
- **The kings of earth take their stand and high officials themselves have massed together as one against Yehowah and against his anointed one. (Psalms 2:2)**

- **Roman powers and leaders of Israel act together against anointed of Yehowah.**
- **When it had become morning, all the chief priests and the older men of the people held a consultation against Jesus so as to put him to death. (Matthew 27:1)**
- **And, after binding him, they led him off and handed him over to Pilate the governor. (Matthew 27:2)**
- **And immediately at dawn the chief priests with the older men and the scribes, even the whole Sanhedrin, conducted a consultation, and they bound Jesus and led him off and handed him over to Pilate. (Mark 15:1)**
- **At that Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas to them, and, after having Jesus whipped, he handed him over to be impaled. (Mark 15:15)**
- **However, the chief priests and the scribes kept standing up and vehemently accusing him. (Luke 23:10)**
- **Then Herod together with his soldier guards discredited him, and he made fun of him by clothing him with a bright garment and sent him back to Pilate. (Luke 23:11)**
- **Both Herod and Pilate now became friends with each other on that very day, for before that they had continued at enmity between themselves. (Luke 23:12)**
- **And who through Holy Spirit said by the mouth of our forefather David, your servant, Why did nations become tumultuous and peoples meditate upon empty things? (Acts of Apostles 4:25)**
- **The kings of the earth took their stand and the rulers massed together as one against Yehowah and against his anointed one. (Acts of Apostles 4:26)**
- **Even so, both Herod and Pontius Pilate with men of nations and with peoples of Israel were in actuality gathered together in this city against your holy servant Jesus, whom you anointed. (Acts of Apostles 4:27)**
- **In order to do what things your hand and counsel had**

- foreordained to occur. (**Acts of Apostles 4:28**)
- Because of restraint and of judgment he was taken away, and who will concern himself even with the details of his generation? For he was severed from the land of the living ones. Because of the transgression of my people he had the stroke. (**Isaiah 53:8**)
 - **Tried and condemned.**
 - Those who took Jesus into custody led him away to Caiaphas the High Priest, where the scribes and the older men were gathered together. (**Matthew 26:57**)
 - But Peter kept following him at a good distance, as far as the courtyard of the High Priest, and, after going inside, he was sitting with the house attendants to see the outcome. (**Matthew 26:58**)
 - Meantime the chief priests and the entire Sanhedrin were looking for false witness against Jesus in order to put him to death. (**Matthew 26:59**)
 - But they found none, although many false witnesses came forward. Later on two came forward (**Matthew 26:60**)
 - And said; This man said; I am able to throw down the temple of God and build it up in three days. (**Matthew 26:61**)
 - With that the High Priest stood up and said to him; Have you no answer? What is it these are testifying against you? (**Matthew 26:62**)
 - But Jesus kept silent. So the High Priest said to him; By the living God I put you under oath to tell us whether you are the Christ the Son of God! (**Matthew 26:63**)
 - Jesus said to him; You yourself said it. Yet I say to you men, From henceforth you will see the Son of man sitting at the right hand of power and coming on the clouds of heaven. (**Matthew 26:64**)
 - Then the High Priest ripped his outer garments, saying; He has blasphemed! What further need do we have of witnesses? See! Now you have heard the blasphemy. (**Matthew 26:65**)

- **What is your opinion? They returned answer; He is liable to death. (Matthew 26:66)**
- **Then they spit into his face and hit him with their fists. Others slapped him in the face. (Matthew 26:67)**
- **Saying; Prophecy to us, you Christ. Who is it that struck you? (Matthew 26:68)**
- **When it had become morning, all the chief priests and the older men of the people held a consultation against Jesus so as to put him to death. (Matthew 27:1)**
- **And, after binding him, they led him off and handed him over to Pilate the governor. (Matthew 27:2)**
- **Jesus now stood before the governor, and the governor put the question to him; Are you the king of the Jews? Jesus replied; You yourself say it. (Matthew 27:11)**
- **But, while he was being accused by the chief priests and older men, he made no answer. (Matthew 27:12)**
- **Then Pilate said to him; Do you not hear how many things they are testifying against you? (Matthew 27:13)**
- **Yet he did not answer him, no, not a word, so that the governor wondered very much. (Matthew 27:14)**
- **Now from festival to festival it was the custom of the governor to release a prisoner to the crowd, the one they wanted. (Matthew 27:15)**
- **Just at that time they were holding a notorious prisoner called Barabbas. (Matthew 27:16)**
- **Hence when they were gathered together Pilate said to them; Which one do you want me to release to you, Barabbas or Jesus the so-called Christ? (Matthew 27:17)**
- **For he was aware that out of envy they had handed him over. (Matthew 27:18)**

- Moreover, while he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent out to him, saying; Have nothing to do with that righteous man, for I suffered a lot today in a dream because of him. **(Matthew 27:19)**
- But the chief priests and the older men persuaded the crowds to ask for Barabbas, but to have Jesus destroyed. **(Matthew 27:20)**
- Now in responding the governor said to them; Which of the two do you want me to release to you? They said; Barabbas. **(Matthew 27:21)**
- Pilate said to them; What, then, shall I do with Jesus the so-called Christ? They all said; Let him be impaled! **(Matthew 27:22)**
- He said; Why, what bad thing did he do? Still they kept crying out all the more; Let him be impaled! **(Matthew 27:23)**
- Seeing that it did no good but, rather, an uproar was arising, Pilate took water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying; I am innocent of the blood of this man. You yourselves must see to it. **(Matthew 27:24)**
- At that all the people said in answer; His blood come upon us and upon our children. **(Matthew 27:25)**
- Then he released Barabbas to them, but he had Jesus whipped and handed him over to be impaled. **(Matthew 27:26)**
- Then the soldier band and the military commander and the officers of the Jews seized Jesus and bound him. **(John 18:12)**
- And they led him first to Annas, for he was father-in-law to Caiaphas, who was High Priest that year. **(John 18:13)**
- Caiaphas was, in fact, the one that counseled the Jews that it was to their benefit for one man to die in behalf of the people. **(John 18:14)**
- And so the chief priest questioned Jesus about his disciples and about his teaching. **(John 18:19)**
- Jesus answered him; I have spoken to the world publicly. I

- always taught in a synagogue and in the temple, where all the Jews come together, and I spoke nothing in secret. ([John 18:20](#))
- **Why do you question me? Question those who have heard what I spoke to them. See! These know what I said. ([John 18:21](#))**
 - **After he said these things, one of the officers that was standing by gave Jesus a slap in the face and said; Is that the way you answer the chief priest? ([John 18:22](#))**
 - **Jesus answered him; If I spoke wrongly, bear witness concerning the wrong, but if rightly, why do you hit me? ([John 18:23](#))**
 - **Then Annas sent him away bound to Caiaphas the High Priest. ([John 18:24](#))**
 - **Then they led Jesus from Caiaphas to the governor's palace. It was now early in the day. But they themselves did not enter into the governor's palace, that they might not get defiled but might eat the Passover. ([John 18:28](#))**
 - **Therefore Pilate came outside to them and said; What accusation do you bring against this man? ([John 18:29](#))**
 - **In answer they said to him; If this man were not a wrongdoer, we would not have delivered him up to you. ([John 18:30](#))**
 - **Hence Pilate said to them; Take him yourselves and judge him according to your law. The Jews said to him; It is not lawful for us to kill anyone. ([John 18:31](#))**
 - **This, in order, that the word of Jesus might be fulfilled which he said to signify what sort of death he was destined to die. ([John 18:32](#))**
 - **So Pilate entered into the governor's palace again and called Jesus and said to him; Are you the king of the Jews? ([John 18:33](#))**
 - **Jesus answered; Is it of your own originality that you say this, or did others tell you about me? ([John 18:34](#))**
 - **Pilate answered; I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the**

chief priests delivered you up to me. What did you do? (**John 18:35**)

- Jesus answered; My kingdom is no part of this world. If my kingdom were part of this world, my attendants would have fought that I should not be delivered up to the Jews. But, as it is, my kingdom is not from this source. (**John 18:36**)
- Therefore Pilate said to him; Well, then, are you a king? Jesus answered; You yourself are saying that I am a king. For this I have been born, and for this I have come into the world, that I should bear witness to the truth. Everyone that is on the side of the truth listens to my voice. (**John 18:37**)
- Pilate said to him; What is truth? And after saying this, he went out again to the Jews and said to them; I find no fault in him. (**John 18:38**)
- Moreover, you have a custom that I should release a man to you at the Passover. Do you, therefore, wish me to release to you the king of the Jews? (**John 18:39**)
- Then they shouted again, saying; Not this man, but Barabbas! Now Barabbas was a robber. (**John 18:40**)
- At that time, therefore, Pilate took Jesus and scourged him. (**John 19:1**)
- And the soldiers braided a crown of thorns and put it on his head and arrayed him with a purple outer garment. (**John 19:2**)
- and they began coming up to him and saying; Good day, you King of the Jews! Also, they would give him slaps in the face. (**John 19:3**)
- And Pilate went outside again and said to them; See! I bring him outside to you in order for you to know I find no fault in him. (**John 19:4**)
- Accordingly Jesus came outside, wearing the thorny crown and the purple outer garment. And he said to them; Look! The man! (**John 19:5**)
- However, when the chief priests and the officers saw him, they

- shouted, saying; Impale him! Impale him! Pilate said to them; Take him yourselves and impale him, for I do not find any fault in him. (John 19:6)
- The Jews answered him; We have a Law, and according to the Law he ought to die, because he made himself God's son. (John 19:7)
 - When, therefore, Pilate heard this saying, he became more fearful. (John 19:8)
 - And he entered into the governor's palace again and said to Jesus; Where are you from? But Jesus gave him no answer. (John 19:9)
 - Hence Pilate said to him; Are you not speaking to me? Do you not know I have authority to release you and I have authority to impale you? (John 19:10)
 - Jesus answered him; You would have no authority at all against me unless it had been granted to you from above. This is why the man that handed me over to you has greater sin. (John 19:11)
 - For this reason Pilate kept on seeking how to release him. But the Jews shouted, saying; If you release this man, you are not a friend of Caesar. Every man making himself a king speaks against Caesar. (John 19:12)
 - Therefore Pilate, after hearing these words, brought Jesus outside, and he sat down on a judgment seat in a place called The Stone Pavement, but, in Hebrew, Gabbatha. (John 19:13)
 - Now it was preparation of the Passover, it was about the sixth hour. And he said to the Jews; See! Your king! (John 19:14)
 - However, they shouted; Take him away! Take him away! Impale him! Pilate said to them; Shall I impale your king? The chief priests answered; We have no king but Caesar. (John 19:15)
 - At that time, therefore, he handed him over to them to be impaled. Then they took charge of Jesus. (John 19:16)

- **Do not give me over to the soul of my adversaries, for against me false witnesses have risen up, and he who launches forth violence. (Psalms 27:12)**
- **Use of false witnesses.**
- **Meantime the chief priests and the entire Sanhedrin were looking for false witness against Jesus in order to put him to death. (Matthew 26:59)**
- **But they found none, although many false witnesses came forward. Later on two came forward. (Matthew 26:60)**
- **And said; This man said; I am able to throw down the temple of God and build it up in three days. (Matthew 26:61)**
- **Many, indeed, were giving false witness against him, but their testimonies were not in agreement. (Mark 14:56)**
- **Also, certain ones were rising and bearing false witness against him, saying; (Mark 14:57)**
- **We heard him say; I will throw down this temple that was made with hands and in three days I will build another not made with hands. (Mark 14:58)**
- **But neither on these grounds was their testimony in agreement. (Mark 14:59)**
- **He was hard pressed, and he was letting himself be afflicted, yet he would not open his mouth. He was being brought just like a sheep to the slaughtering, and like a ewe that before her shearers has become mute, he also would not open his mouth. (Isaiah 53:7)**
- **Silent before accusers.**
- **But, while he was being accused by the chief priests and older men, he made no answer. (Matthew 27:12)**
- **Then Pilate said to him; Do you not hear how many things they are testifying against you? (Matthew 27:13)**

- Yet he did not answer him, no, not a word, so that the governor wondered very much. (**Matthew 27:14**)
- But he kept silent and made no reply at all. Again the High Priest began to question him and said to him; Are you the **Christ** the Son of the Blessed One? (**Mark 14:61**)
- Now Pilate began questioning him again, saying; Have you no reply to make? See how many charges they are bringing against you. (**Mark 15:4**)
- But Jesus made no further answer, so that Pilate began to marvel. (**Mark 15:5**)
- Now he began to question him with a good many words, but he made him no answer. (**Luke 23:9**)
- Those hating me without a cause have become even more than the hairs of my head. Those bringing me to silence, being my enemies for no reason, have become numerous. What I had not taken by robbery I then proceeded to give back. (**Psalms 69:4**)
- **Hated without cause.**
- Pilate then called the chief priests and the rulers and the people together. (**Luke 23:13**)
- And said to them; You brought this man to me as one inciting the people to revolt, and, look! I examined him in front of you but found in this man no ground for the charges you are bringing against him. (**Luke 23:14**)
- In fact, neither did Herod, for he sent him back to us, and, look! nothing deserving of death has been committed by him. (**Luke 23:15**)
- I will therefore chastise him and release him. (**Luke 23:16**)
- But with their whole multitude they cried out, saying; Take this one away, but release Barabbas to us! (**Luke 23:18**)
- Which man had been thrown into prison for a certain sedition occurring in the city and for murder. (**Luke 23:19**)

- **Again Pilate called out to them, because he wanted to release Jesus. (Luke 23:20)**
- **Then they began to yell, saying; Impale! Impale him! (Luke 23:21)**
- **The third time he said to them; Why, what bad thing did this man do? I found nothing deserving of death in him, I will therefore chastise and release him. (Luke 23:22)**
- **At this they began to be urgent, with loud voices, demanding that he be impaled, and their voices began to win out. (Luke 23:23)**
- **So Pilate gave sentence for their demand to be met. (Luke 23:24)**
- **he released the man that had been thrown into prison for sedition and murder and whom they were demanding, but he surrendered Jesus to their will. (Luke 23:25)**
- **If I had not done among them the works that no one else did, they would have no sin, but now they have both seen and hated me as well as my Father. (John 15:24)**
- **But it is that the word written in their Law may be fulfilled; They hated me without cause. (John 15:25)**
- **My back I gave to the strikers, and my cheeks to those plucking off the hair. My face I did not conceal from humiliating things and spit. (Isaiah 50:6)**
- **Struck, spit on.**
- **Then they spit into his face and hit him with their fists. Others slapped him in the face. (Matthew 26:67)**
- **Then he released Barabbas to them, but he had Jesus whipped and handed him over to be impaled. (Matthew 27:26)**
- **And they spit upon him and took the reed and began hitting him upon his head. (Matthew 27:30)**
- **and they began coming up to him and saying; Good day, you King of the Jews! Also, they would give him slaps in the face.**

(John 19:3)

- **At this time you make cuttings upon yourself, O daughter of an invasion, a siege he has laid against us. With the rod they will strike upon the cheek the judge of Israel. (Micah 5:1)**
- **For dogs have surrounded me, the assembly of evildoers themselves have enclosed me. Like a lion they are at my hands and my feet. (Psalms 22:16)**
- **Impaled.**
- **When they had impaled him they distributed his outer garments by casting lots. (Matthew 27:35)**
- **And they impaled him and distributed his outer garments by casting the lot over them as to who takes what. (Mark 15:24)**
- **It was now the third hour, and they impaled him. (Mark 15:25)**
- **And when they got to the place called Skull, there they impaled him and the evildoers, one on his right and one on his left. (Luke 23:33)**
- **And there they impaled him, and two other men with him, one on this side and one on that, but Jesus in the middle. (John 19:18)**
- **Now when the soldiers had impaled Jesus, they took his outer garments and made four parts, for each soldier a part, and the inner garment. But the inner garment was without a seam, being woven from the top throughout its length. (John 19:23)**
- **Consequently the other disciples would say to him; We have seen the Lord! But he said to them; Unless I see in his hands the print of the nails and stick my finger into the print of the nails and stick my hand into his side, I will certainly not believe. (John 20:25)**
- **Next he said to Thomas; Put your finger here, and see my hands, and take your hand and stick it into my side, and stop being unbelieving but become believing. (John 20:27)**
- **They apportion my garments among themselves, and upon my clothing they cast lots. (Psalms 22:18)**

- **Lot's cast for garments.**
- **When they had impaled him they distributed his outer garments by casting lots. (Matthew 27:35)**
- **Now when the soldiers had impaled Jesus, they took his outer garments and made four parts, for each soldier a part, and the inner garment. But the inner garment was without a seam, being woven from the top throughout its length. (John 19:23)**
- **Therefore they said to one another; Let us not tear it, but let us determine by lots over it whose it will be. This was that the scripture might be fulfilled; They apportioned my outer garments among themselves, and upon my apparel they cast lots. And so the soldiers really did these things. (John 19:24)**
- **For that reason I shall deal him a portion among the many, and it will be with the mighty ones that he will apportion the spoil, due to the fact that he poured out his soul to the very death, and it was with the transgressors that he was counted in, and he himself carried the very sin of many people, and for the transgressors he proceeded to interpose. (Isaiah 53:12)**
- **Numbered with sinners.**
- **In that hour Jesus said to the crowds; Have you come out with swords and clubs as against a robber to arrest me? Day after day I used to sit in the temple teaching, and yet you did not take me into custody. (Matthew 26:55)**
- **But all this has taken place for the scriptures of the prophets to be fulfilled. Then all the disciples abandoned him and fled. (Matthew 26:56)**
- **Then two robbers were impaled with him, one on his right and one on his left. (Matthew 27:38)**
- **For I tell you that this which is written must be accomplished in me, namely, and he was reckoned with lawless ones. For that which concerns me is having an accomplishment. (Luke 22:37)**
- **As for all those seeing me, they hold me in derision, they keep opening their mouths wide, they keep wagging their head.**

(Psalms 22:7)

- **He committed himself to Yehowah. Let Him provide him with escape! Let him deliver him, since he has taken delight in him! (Psalms 22:8)**
- **Reviled while on stake.**
- **So the passersby began speaking abusively of him, wagging their heads (Matthew 27:39)**
- **And saying; O you would-be thrower-down of the temple and builder of it in three days, save yourself! If you are a son of God, come down off the torture stake! (Matthew 27:40)**
- **In like manner also the chief priests with the scribes and older men began making fun of him and saying; (Matthew 27:41)**
- **Others he saved, himself he cannot save! He is King of Israel, let him now come down off the torture stake and we will believe on him. (Matthew 27:42)**
- **He has put his trust in God, let Him now rescue him if He wants him, for he said; I am God's Son. (Matthew 27:43)**
- **And those going by would speak abusively to him, wagging their heads and saying; Bah! You would-be thrower-down of the temple and builder of it in three days time. (Mark 15:29)**
- **Save yourself by coming down off the torture stake. (Mark 15:30)**
- **In like manner also the chief priests were making fun among themselves with the scribes and saying; Others he saved, himself he cannot save! (Mark 15:31)**
- **Let the Christ the King of Israel now come down off the torture stake, that we may see and believe. Even those impaled together with him were reproaching him. (Mark 15:32)**
- **But for food they gave me a poisonous plant, and for my thirst they tried to make me drink vinegar. (Psalms 69:21)**
- **Given vinegar and gall.**

- They gave him wine mixed with gall to drink, but, after tasting it, he refused to drink. (**Matthew 27:34**)
- And immediately one of them ran and took a sponge and soaked it with sour wine and put it on a reed and went giving him a drink. (**Matthew 27:48**)
- Here they tried to give him wine drugged with myrrh, but he would not take it. (**Mark 15:23**)
- But a certain one ran, soaked a sponge with sour wine, put it on a reed, and began giving him a drink, saying; Let him be! Let us see whether Elijah comes to take him down. (**Mark 15:36**)
- My God, my God, why have you left me? Why are you far from saving me, from the words of my roaring? (**Psalms 22:1**)
- **Forsaken by God to enemies.**
- About the ninth hour Jesus called out with a loud voice, saying; Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? That is, My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? (**Matthew 27:46**)
- And at the ninth hour Jesus called out with a loud voice; *Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?* Which means, when translated. My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? (**Mark 15:34**)
- He is guarding all the bones of that one, not one of them has been broken. (**Psalms 34:20**)
- **No bones broken.**
- But on coming to Jesus, as they saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs. (**John 19:33**)
- In fact, these things took place in order for the scripture to be fulfilled; Not a bone of his will be crushed. (**John 19:36**)
- In one house it is to be eaten. You must not take any of the flesh out of the house to some place outside. And you must not break a bone in it. (**Exodus 12:46**)
- But he was being pierced for our transgression, he was being

crushed for our errors. The chastisement meant for our peace was upon him, and because of his wounds there has been a healing for us. ([Isaiah 53:5](#))

- **Pierced.**
- **But the rest of them said; Let him be! Let us see whether Elijah comes to save him. Another man took a spear and pierced his side, and blood and water came out. ([Matthew 27:49](#))**
- **Yet one of the soldiers jabbed his side with a spear, and immediately blood and water came out. ([John 19:34](#))**
- **And, again, a different scripture says; They will look to the One whom they pierced. ([John 19:37](#))**
- **And I will pour out upon the house of David and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem the spirit of favor and entreaties, and they will certainly look to the One whom they pierced through, and they will certainly wail over Him as in the wailing over an only son, and there will be a bitter lamentation over him as when there is bitter lamentation over the firstborn son. ([Zechariah 12:10](#))**
- **Look! He is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, and those who pierced him, and all the tribes of the earth will beat themselves in grief because of him. Yes, Amen. ([Revelation 1:7](#))**
- **But he was being pierced for our transgression, he was being crushed for our errors. The chastisement meant for our peace was upon him, and because of his wounds there has been a healing for us. ([Isaiah 53:5](#))**
- **Dies sacrificial death.**
- **Just as the Son of man came, not to be ministered to, but to minister and to give his soul a ransom in exchange for many. ([Matthew 20:28](#))**
- **The next day he beheld Jesus coming toward him, and he said; See, the Lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world! ([John 1:29](#))**

- **Because of restraint and of judgment he was taken away, and who will concern himself even with the details of his generation? For he was severed from the land of the living ones. Because of the transgression of my people he had the stroke. (Isaiah 53:8)**
- **Death to carry away, sins and open way.**
- **And it is as a free gift that they are being declared righteous by his undeserved kindness through the release by the ransom paid by Christ Jesus. (Romans 3:24)**
- **He was delivered up for the sake of our trespasses and was raised up for the sake of declaring us righteous. (Romans 4:25)**
- **For I handed on to you, among the first things, that which I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures. (1 Corinthians 15:3)**
- **Because of the trouble of his soul he will see, he will be satisfied. By means of his knowledge the righteous one, my servant, will bring a righteous standing to many people, and their errors he himself will bear. (Isaiah 53:11)**
- **he entered, no, not with the blood of goats and of young bulls, but with his own blood, once for all time into the holy place and obtained an everlasting deliverance for us. (Hebrews 9:12)**
- **For if the blood of goats and of bulls and the ashes of a heifer sprinkled on those who have been defiled sanctifies to the extent of cleanness of the flesh. (Hebrews 9:13)**
- **How much more will the blood of the Christ, who through an everlasting spirit offered himself without blemish to God, cleanse our consciences from dead works that we may render sacred service to the living God? (Hebrews 9:14)**
- **So that is why he is a mediator of a New Covenant, in order, that, because a death has occurred for their release by ransom from the transgressions under the former covenant, the ones who have been called might receive the promise of the everlasting inheritance. (Hebrews 9:15)**
- **He himself bore our sins in his own body upon the stake, in order, that we might be done with sins and live to righteousness. And**

by his stripes you were healed. (**1 Peter 2:24**)

- For that reason I shall deal him a portion among the many, and it will be with the mighty ones that he will apportion the spoil, due to the fact that he poured out his soul to the very death, and it was with the transgressors that he was counted in, and he himself carried the very sin of many people, and for the transgressors he proceeded to interpose. (**Isaiah 53:12**)
- **To righteous standing with God.**
- And he is a propitiatory sacrifice for our sins, yet not for ours only but also for the whole world's. (**1 John 2:2**)
- And he will make his burial place even with the wicked ones, and with the rich class in his death, despite the fact that he had done no violence and there was no deception in his mouth. (**Isaiah 53:9**)
- **Buried with the rich.**
- Now as it was late in the afternoon, there came a rich man of Arimathea, named Joseph, who had also himself become a disciple of Jesus. (**Matthew 27:57**)
- This man went up to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate commanded it to be given over. (**Matthew 27:58**)
- And Joseph took the body, wrapped it up in clean fine linen. (**Matthew 27:59**)
- And laid it in his new memorial tomb, which he had quarried in the rock-mass. And, after rolling a big stone to the door of the memorial tomb, he left. (**Matthew 27:60**)
- Now after these things Joseph from Arimathea, who was a disciple of Jesus but a secret one out of his fear of the Jews, requested Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus, and Pilate gave him permission. Therefore he came and took his body away. (**John 19:38**)
- Nicodemus also, the man that came to him in the night the first time, came bringing a roll of myrrh and aloes, about a hundred pounds of it. (**John 19:39**)

- **So they took the body of Jesus and bound it up with bandages with the spices, just the way the Jews have the custom of preparing for burial. (John 19:40)**
- **Incidentally, at the place where he was impaled there was a garden, and in the garden a new memorial tomb, in which no one had ever yet been laid. (John 19:41)**
- **There, then, on account of the preparation of the Jews, they laid Jesus, because the memorial tomb was nearby. (John 19:42)**
- **Now Yehowah appointed a great fish to swallow Jonah, so that Jonah came to be in the inward parts of the fish three days and three nights. (Jonah 1:17)**
- **In grave parts of three days.**
- **In reply he said to them; A wicked and adulterous generation keeps on seeking for a sign, but no sign will be given it except the sign of Jonah the prophet. (Matthew 12:39)**
- **For just as Jonah was in the belly of the huge fish three days and three nights, so the Son of man will be in the heart of the earth three days and three nights. (Matthew 12:40)**
- **Resurrected.**
- **For I handed on to you, among the first things, that which I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures. (1 Corinthians 15:3)**
- **And that he was buried, yes, that he has been raised up the third day according to the Scriptures. (1 Corinthians 15:4)**
- **And that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. (1 Corinthians 15:5)**
- **After that he appeared to upward of five hundred brothers at one time, the most of whom remain to the present, but some have fallen asleep in death. (1 Corinthians 15:6)**
- **After that he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. (1 Corinthians 15:7)**

- **But last of all he appeared also to me as if to one born prematurely. (1 Corinthians 15:8)**
- **I have placed Yehowah in front of me constantly. Because he is at my right hand, I shall not be made to totter. (Psalms 16:8)**
- **Therefore my heart does rejoice, and my glory is inclined to be joyful. Also, my own flesh will reside in security. (Psalms 16:9)**
- **For you will not leave my soul in Sheol. You will not allow your loyal one to see the pit. (Psalms 16:10)**
- **You will cause me to know the path of life. Rejoicing to satisfaction is with your face, there is pleasantness at your right hand forever. (Psalms 16:11)**
- **Raised before corruption.**
- **For David says respecting him, I had Yehowah constantly before my eyes, because he is at my right hand that I may never be shaken. (Acts of Apostles 2:25)**
- **On this account my heart became cheerful and my tongue rejoiced greatly. Moreover, even my flesh will reside in hope. (Acts of Apostles 2:26)**
- **Because you will not leave my soul in Hades, neither will you allow your loyal one to see corruption. (Acts of Apostles 2:27)**
- **You have made life's ways known to me, you will fill me with good cheer with your face. (Acts of Apostles 2:28)**
- **Men, brothers, it is allowable to speak with freeness of speech to you concerning the family head David, that he both deceased and was buried and his tomb is among us to this day. (Acts of Apostles 2:29)**
- **Therefore, because he was a prophet and knew that God had sworn to him with an oath that he would seat one from the fruitage of his loins upon his throne. (Acts of Apostles 2:30)**
- **He saw beforehand and spoke concerning the resurrection of the Christ, that neither was he forsaken in Hades nor did his flesh see**

corruption. ([Acts of Apostles 2:31](#))

- And that fact that he resurrected him from the dead destined no more to return to corruption, he has stated in this way, I will give you people the loving-kindnesses to David that are faithful. ([Acts of Apostles 13:34](#))
- Hence he also says in another psalm, You will not allow your loyal one to see corruption. ([Acts of Apostles 13:35](#))
- For David, on the one hand, served the express will of God in his own generation and fell asleep in death and was laid with his forefathers and did see corruption. ([Acts of Apostles 13:36](#))
- On the other hand, he whom God raised up did not see corruption. ([Acts of Apostles 13:37](#))
- Let me refer to the decree of Yehowah, he has said to me You are my son. I, today, I have become your father. ([Psalms 2:7](#))
- **Yehowah declares him His Son by spirit begetting and by resurrection.**
- After being baptized Jesus immediately came up from the water, and, look! The heavens were opened up, and he saw descending like a dove God's spirit coming upon him. ([Matthew 3:16](#))
- Look! Also, there was a voice from the heavens that said; This is my Son, the beloved, whom I have approved. ([Matthew 3:17](#))
- In the course of those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized in the Jordan by John. ([Mark 1:9](#))
- And immediately on coming up out of the water he saw the heavens being parted, and, like a dove, the spirit coming down upon him. ([Mark 1:10](#))
- And a voice came out of the heavens; You are my Son, the beloved. I have approved you. ([Mark 1:11](#))
- Now when all the people were baptized, Jesus also was baptized and, as he was praying, the heaven was opened up ([Luke 3:21](#))
- And the Holy Spirit in bodily shape like a dove came down upon

him, and a voice came out of heaven; You are my Son, the beloved. I have approved you. (**Luke 3:22**)

- That God has entirely fulfilled it to us their children in that he resurrected Jesus, even as it is written in the second psalm: You are my son, I have become your Father this day. (**Acts of Apostles 13:33**)
- But who with power was declared God's Son according to the spirit of holiness by means of resurrection from the dead, yes, Jesus Christ our Lord. (**Romans 1:4**)
- For example, to which one of the angels did he ever say: You are my son. I, today, I have become your father? And again; I myself shall become his father, and he himself will become my son? (**Hebrews 1:5**)
- So too the Christ did not glorify himself by becoming a High Priest, but was glorified by him who spoke with reference to him: You are my son. I, today, I have become your father. (**Hebrews 5:5**)