

John 7:42~ 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?

1· So some raised up the objection, that the true Christ had to come forth out of Bethlehem of Judea, from the village where King David had been born. Now Jesus was actually born there, but only a few people knew it, for he was commonly known as a Galilean, for he had been raised in Nazareth. How foolish to not get the facts, and to reject someone as wonderful as Jesus simply, because one did not have all the facts. The true Messiah was also to be a sprout or Nazarite, which they knew Jesus was, but no one paid attention to this then either.

[Question] Why did many object to Jesus, when only knowing that he was raised in Galilee?

[Question] What was it for them to reject such a one, on such fragile objections?

[Question] What did it show, that they paid attention to, more than to facts?

[Question] What was also said about this one, and so what must he also be?

2· Is it not for you to know that Yehowah the God of Israel himself gave a kingdom to **David** over Israel to time indefinite, to him and to his sons, by a covenant of salt? (**2 Chronicles 13:5**)

[Question] How is the covenant to David expressed in Chronicles?

3· Even to time indefinite I shall firmly establish your seed, and I will build your throne to generation after generation. (**Psalms 89:4**)

[Question] Whose seed did Yehowah God promise to firmly establish for generation after generation?

4· 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. (**Psalms 132:11**)

[Question] What promise to David, would Yehowah God not draw back from?

- 5· **Look! There are days coming, is the utterance of Yehowah, and I will raise up to David a righteous sprout. And a king will certainly reign and act with discretion, and execute justice and righteousness in the land. (Jeremiah 23:5)**

[Question] What did Yehowah God promise to raise up for David, and what does sprout also translate as?

[Question] How would this coming king act and reign in the land?

- 6· **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)**

[Question] Where was this promised one foretold to be born from, and was Jesus born in Bethlehem?

- 7· **They said to him; In Bethlehem of Judea, for this is how it has been written through the prophet. (Matthew 2:5)**

[Question] What was the common understanding of where the Messiah was to be born?

- 8· **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)**

[Question] Why did Joseph go up to Bethlehem, at the time of Jesus' birth?

- 9· **Eventually Yehowah said to Samuel; For how long will you be mourning for Saul, while I, on the other hand, have rejected him from ruling as king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil and go. I shall send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, because I have provided among his sons a king for myself. (1 Samuel 16:1)**

[Question] What was Samuel told to do by Yehowah God, for whose family was to provide the future king of Israel?

- 10· **If your father should miss me at all, then you must say; David earnestly asked leave of absence of me to run to Bethlehem his city, because there is a yearly sacrifice there for all the family. (1 Samuel 20:6)**

[Question] Where was David and his family from for several generations prior to him?

- 11· **When your days come to the full, and you must lie down with your forefathers, then I shall certainly raise up your seed after you, which will come out of your inward parts, and I shall indeed firmly establish his kingdom. (2 Samuel 7:12)**

[Question] What was David told about his future seed, and what would be given to him?

- 12· **Salma the father of Bethlehem, Hareph the father of Bethgader. (1 Chronicles 2:51)**

[Question] Who was the father of Bethlehem?

- 13· **The sons of Salma were Bethlehem and the Netophathites, Atroth-beth-joab and half of the Manahathites, the Zorites. (1 Chronicles 2:54)**

[Question] Who was the sons of Salma, and what city did he establish?

- 14· **And Penuel the father of Gedor and Ezer the father of Hushah. These were the sons of Hur the firstborn of Ephrathah the father of Bethlehem. (1 Chronicles 4:4)**

[Question] Who also is described as the father of Bethlehem, who may have also been a co-founder?

- 15· **I have concluded a covenant toward my chosen one. I have sworn to David my servant. (Psalms 89:3)**

[Question] What did the Psalmist show about Yehowah God's agreement with King David?

- 16· **What do you think about the Christ? Whose son is he? They said to him; David's. (Matthew 22:42)**

[Question] Whose son did the religious leaders think, that the Messiah must be?

- 17· **However, when making a reply, Jesus began to say as he taught in the temple; How is it, that the scribes say, that the Christ is David's son? (Mark 12:35)**

[Question] What question did Jesus ask, of those assembled at the temple to hear him teach, that others could not answer?