

Signposts for the Messiah—Part 1

Selected Scriptures

I—III. The Messiah Will be Born a H_____ S_____ of Eve & a D_____ (Gen. 3:15):

- a. God made mankind in His image; **male and female He created them** (cf. Gen. 1:27)
 - i. There are only 2 sexes or genders (yes, genders means exactly the same thing as your biological sex)
- b. In the middle of cursing the serpent for deceiving Adam & Eve, God reveals 3 essential prophecies about the nature of Jesus' First Advent:
 - i. The Messiah will be a H_____ child (cf. Heb. 2:14)
 - ii. The Messiah will be a S_____ (cf. Gal. 4:4)
 - iii. The Messiah will be a D_____ (cf. Gal. 4:5; 16:33; Lev. 17:11; John 12:31; Rom. 3:21-26; Heb. 9:11-12, 22)

IV. The Messiah Will Be Born a Descendent of A_____ (Gen. 12:1-3):

- a. God has revealed Himself and the mysteries of His will through **Progressive Revelation**: "...the idea and teaching that God revealed various aspects of His will and overall plan for humanity over different periods of time, which have been referred to as "dispensations" by some theologians." (gotquestions.org)
- b. **The Abrahamic Covenant** is UNCONDITIONAL!! (cf. Gen. 12:1-3; 4:25-26; 9:26-27; 17:19; 21:12; 22:18; 49:10; Num. 24:17; Sam. 16:1, 12-13; 2 Sam. 7:12-16; Isa. 11:1, 10; Matt. 1:1-2, 6-7; Luke 1:32-33; 3:23-38; Rom. 9:5; Heb. 7:14)

- c. ***in you all the families of the earth will be blessed*** is a direct continuation of God's Promise of a **S_____** to Adam & Eve who would crush the serpents head (cf. Gal. 3:16, 29)

V. The Messiah Will Be Born with a C_____ Announcement (Num. 24:17):

- a. Old Testament prophecy often has both a NEAR and a FAR fulfillment:
 - i. The Near Fulfillment was King David
 - ii. The Far Fulfillment was Jesus Christ
- b. This looks to be a relatively weak Signpost for the Messiah, but apparently it was seen by both the Essenes from the Qumran Community (authors of the Dead Sea Scrolls), and quite possibly the Magi (cf. Matt. 2:1-12)

VI. The Messiah Will Be Born to Sit on D_____ Throne Forever (1 Chron. 17:11-14):

- a. The crowds of Jewish pilgrims at Jesus' Triumphal Entry were shouting "**Hosanna to the Son of David**" (Matt. 21:9)
 - i. Which tells us that they certainly saw this Signpost for the Messiah
- b. The first half of God's promises to David are definitely wonderful, but don't seem out of the ordinary
- c. However, the second half of God's promises reach past David and touch the coming Messiah, whom it describes as possibly being divine (cf. 2 Sam. 7:12-13, 16, 25-26; 1 Chron. 17:23-27; Ps. 89:3-4, 35-37; 132:11; Isa. 9:7):
 - i. ***I will establish his throne forever...***
 - ii. ***I will be his father and he shall be My son...***
 - iii. ***and his throne shall be established forever***