JESUS: PROPHESIED LIFE

A STUDY OF THE EARTHLY MINISTRY OF CHRIST PART II

"Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil."

~ Matthew 5:17

1. Jesus After the Flesh

- a. There is knowing Jesus 'after the flesh' and knowing Jesus 'now' 2 Cor 5:16
- b. He was 'after the flesh' in his ministry on earth recorded in Matt-John
- c. Why did he come in the flesh? What did he come to do/accomplish?

2. His Prophesied Life

- a. The only man to have his entire life prophesied beforehand Luke 24:44
- b. His life fulfilled what was written in the law, prophets, psalms (39 books to Israel)
- c. Matt 5:17 MMLJ not simply historical record, but record of prophetic fulfillment
- d. 100s of prophetic references, e.g. "as it is written" "that it might be fulfilled"
- e. The time of his birth Dan 9:25 < 483 years after return from captivity
- f. Preceded by a messenger (John) Isa 40:3, Matt 3:1-2, Luke 1:70, 76
- q. His lineage Matt 1:1, birthplace Matt 2:1, Mic 5:2; mother Matt 1:21-25, Isa 7:14
- h. The events surrounding his childhood Matt 2:15-18, Hos 11:1, Num 24:7-8

3. His Prophesied Works

- a. His baptism by John Matt 3:14-15
- b. Preach, heal, deliver, set free the captive/oppressed Luke 4:16-21
- c. His steps prophesied Matt 4:12-14, Isaiah 9:1-2, Matt 21:4-5, Zech 9:9
- d. His miracles/healings prophesied Matt 4:23-24, 8:16-17, 9:11-13, Isaiah 53:4
- e. He sent his word and healed them Matt 8:5-13, Ps 107:17-20
- f. Control of environment Wind and sea... Matt 8:27, Ps 107:23-30
- g. His death was prophesied in detail John 19:36, Ps 34:20, 22:16-17, Zech 12:10

4. His Prophesied Message

- a. What he taught was the subject of prophecy: law, kingdom, judgment, life.
- b. The time is fulfilled, the kingdom is at hand Mark 1:15 "the kingdom is like..."
- c. The sermon on the mount Matt 5-7 was about law, kingdom, judgment
- d. Moses wrote of him John 3:14, 5:39, 46-47, Deu 18:18, John 12:49
- e. The reaction of those that heard Matt 13:13-15, Isaiah 6:9-10
- f. He spoke in parables as the prophets said Matt 13:35, Psa 78:2

5. His Prophesied Purpose

- a. The testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy Rev 19:10
- b. He came to fulfill the law and prophets already written/spoken Matt 5:18
- c. This was so that men would know who he was of God, true, to be trusted.
- d. Jesus' life was prophesied Paul's life/salvation was not 1 Cor 15:8
- e. He did not reveal his mystery purpose Eph 1:9-11, 3:3,5,9,11
 - i. Which was in Christ before the world, unwritten Rom 16:25, 2 Tim 1:9
- f. When he ministered on earth, it was according to a prophesied purpose.