

## CHRIST IN THE OLD TESTAMENT

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### GOD WITNESSES BEFORE THE DEVIL

We can go back to the first book of the Bible and find reference to Christ in the Old Testament. It was where God Almighty was confronting the old serpent who had caused the first parents to transgress God's Holy command and fall into sin. God said to Satan, "I will put enmity between thee and the woman, between thy seed and her seed, I<sup>+</sup> or He shall bruise thy head and He shall bruise His heel." Genesis 3:15. God is saying here that He would, through the seed of the woman break the power of the devil and defeat his purpose. In the process the seed of the woman would be bruised. "Thou shall bruise His heel. This means bloodshed, and that is what happened at Calvary. Isaiah witnesses to this very fact, " "But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement was upon Him, and by His stripes we are healed." Isaiah 53:5.

### GOD PREACHES THE GOSPEL TO ABRAHAM

"And the Scripture foreseeing that He would justify the heathen through faith, preached before the Gospel unto Abraham, saying, in thee shall all nations be blessed." Galatians 3:8. Further explained, "Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made, He saith not unto seeds, as of many, but as of one, and to thy seed, which is Christ." Galatians 3:16

### MOSES IN EGYPT SEES THE COMING OF CHRIST

"Esteeming the reproaches of Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt; he had respect unto the recompence of the reward." "By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king, for he endured, as seeing Him who is invisible." Hebrews 11: 26,27.

DAVID AND THE SWEET PHALIMIST IN ISRAEL CALLED HIM LORD.

When Jesus was confronting the Pharises with their questions, He asked them one, "What think ye of Christ, who son is He?" They said unto Him, The son of David. And He saith unto them, How then doth in spirit call Him Lord, saying, "The Lord said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy foot-stool. If David then call Him Lord how is He his son?" Matthew 22: Phalm 110:1, Matthew 22:41-45

ISIAH, THE PROPHET GIVES WITNESS AS TO HOW HE WOULD BE BORN AND, TAKE HUMAN FORM AND SUFFER.

"Therefore the Lord shall give you a sign, Behold a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel." Isaiah 7:14. The word here, Immanuel means God with us, Matthew 1:23. God cannot suffer, so He had to human form in order to suffer for sin. When Jesus took human form it doesn't mean that He gave up His divinity, He was still God and human form. He was Immanuel, God with us.

HIS RESURRECTION FORTOLD IN THE OLD TESTAMENT:

Jesus tells that Jona being in the belly of the whale three days and night as a sign of the resurrection of Christ. The scribes and Pharises ask Him to give them a sign, but said no sign would be given but the sign of the prophet, "For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the belly of the whale; so shall the Son of Man be three days and three night in the heart of the earth." Matthew 12: 38-40 There was more to the experience of Jona than a prophet being chastised for his disobedience. Something more than that

THE PRIESTHOOD OF JESUS <sup>FORGIVEN</sup> IN THE OLD TESTAMENT;

"The Lord hath sworn and will not repent, Thou art a Priest forever order of Melchizedek." Psalm 110:4. See Hebrews 6:17-20.