“The Hope We Find In The Messiah!”

John 1:35-46
The Messiah! Humanity’s “Hero!”

* Messiah (Jewish) = Christ (Greek)
  “anointed One”
* A specific role: “bringing God’s Kingdom”

Israel’s search for “The One!”

* Luke 2:25 (Simeon) 2:36-38
* John 1:19-20; 24-27
Who is This Messiah?

“Lamb of God, takes away sin of the world” (John 1:29, 36)

“Rabbi – teacher” (John 1:38)

“Messiah” (John 1:41)

“Follow Me” (John 1:43 + John 14:6)

“We found Him of whom Moses in the Law and also the Prophets wrote...” (John 1:45)
Messiah Is **Eternal** in His Nature

Existed **before** John (John 1:30; John 1:1-3)

Fully **God** – Fully **man** “only-begotten” (John 3:16).

"But as for you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, too little to be among the clans of Judah, from you One will go forth for Me to be ruler in Israel. His goings forth are from long ago, From the days of eternity“ (Micah 5:2).
Jesus/Messiah’s Divine Nature

“But in these last days He has spoken to us by His Son, whom He appointed heir of all things, and through whom He made the universe. The Son is the radiance of God’s glory and the exact representation of His nature, upholding all things by His powerful word”

(Hebrews 1:2-3).
Messiah Will Save His People From Their Sin: John 1:29, 36

“She will bear a Son; and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins” (Matt.1:21).

May we sit at the foot of the cross; and there learn what sin has done, what justice has done, what love has done.

~ John Newton
Messiah Was Destined To Suffer:
Isaiah 53:2-11
Messiah Will **Teach Us** The Way

“I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life...”

(John 14:6)

John 1:1 – “The **Word**!”

Word is a vehicle to communicate:

Who God is; how to relate to Him

“Man’s chief end is to glorify God and to enjoy him forever” (Westminster Catechism)
The Messiah Will Usher in His Kingdom

“Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven...” (Matt. 6:10).

“And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever” (Rev. 15:11).
His Kingdom Will Be... *Shalom*

* God and humanity *(salvation!)*
* Humanity and humanity *(justice!)*
* Between humanity and creatures *(e.g. Thailand + snakes!)*
* Humanity and creation! *(ecology!)*

And He will be praised – Revelation 22:3-5
“and they shall reign forever and ever”