

Lesson 9: Fulfilled Prophecy

I. The Dead Sea Scrolls

- 1948- Shepherd boy discovers ancient manuscripts in cave near the Dead Sea; others later found in areas nearby.
- Manuscripts date back to 100 BC.
- Among the scrolls were fragments of almost every book of the Old Testament, including an almost complete copy of the book of Isaiah.
 - Copies of Isaiah- 95% word for word (5% typos)

II. What Prophecies Did the Messiah Have to Fulfill?

Prophecy	Fulfillment
Born of Virgin Isaiah 7:14	Luke 1:26-27; 30-31
House of David Jeremiah 23:5	Luke 3:23, 31
Enter Jerusalem on a donkey Zechariah 9:9	Matthew 21:1-8
Born at Bethlehem Micah 5:2	Matthew 2:1
Introduced by a messenger Isaiah 40:3	Matthew 3:1-3
Body pierced in crucifixion Zechariah 12:10	John 19:34
Laid to rest with the rich Isaiah 53:9	Matthew 27:57-60
Endure wounds and bruises Isaiah 53:5	Matthew 27:26
Teaching and healing ministry Isaiah 61:1-2; 32:3-4; 35:5	Matthew 9:35 Luke 4:17-21
Accused by false witness Psalm 35:11	Mark 14:57-58
Labeled Lord and God Jeremiah 23:6, Isaiah 9:6	John 20:28 Luke 2:11
Would rise from the dead Psalm 16:10; 49:15	Mark 16:6-7
Silent before accusers Isaiah 53:7	Matthew 27:12

III. What is the Probability That Jesus Fulfilled Those Prophecies by Chance?

“We take 100,000,000 silver dollars and lay them on the face of Texas. They will cover all of the state two feet deep. Now mark one of these silver dollars and stir the whole mass thoroughly...Blindfold a man and tell him...he must pick up one silver dollar...What chance would he have of getting the right one? Just the same chance that the prophets would have of writing...eight prophecies and having them come true in any one man.” Peter Stoner

IV. What Do These Fulfilled Prophecies Demonstrate?

- ❖ They demonstrate that Jesus was the predicted Messiah, and since the Messiah was to be divine, it shows that Jesus was God.