

The Bible Is About Jesus

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Tonight's Message will be more like a seminary -lecture

The Bible is unlike any other book - in the history of the world as it was written by God Himself through human writers- that's called "Divine Inspiration" God wrote through man.

The Bible is actually a collection of Books written over a span of 1500 years, with some 40 + authors written in multiple continent and nations different nations, in 3 different languages . Hebrew, Aramaic and Greek

The word "Bible" - Book Holy Bible - Holy Book

"Scripture" - writing - OT - Up to Jesus - 400 years of silence

The coming of Jesus - New Testament

Bible Facts

OT: 1,189 Chapters in 39 books. Chapter added in the 1200 's

31,173 Verses - added around the 1551 address on our homes - that's how the Bible works.

New Testament - smaller 27 books - 260 chapters 7959 Verses

Authors - messengers for God - Ultimately it's a book from God.

What's it's all about? Stories - nations prophecy- commands

Is it about us - nations, major leaders, The birth of the Hebrew nations

This is what Jesus tells us. Jesus Speaks about Old Testament Prophets

The Purpose of His life is the fulfillment of this book. This Book is about Jesus.

Luke 18:31-34 *31 Then he took unto him the twelve, (His disciples) and said unto them, Behold, we go up to Jerusalem, and all things that are written (Scriptures- writings) by the prophets concerning the Son of man shall be accomplished. 32 For he shall be delivered unto the Gentiles, and shall be mocked, and spitefully entreated, and spitted on: 33 And they shall scourge him, and put him to death: and the third day he shall rise again. 34 And they understood none of these things: and this saying was hid from them, neither knew they the things which were spoken. KJV*

His Life is about this book that the prophets that record this book are speaking about Him.

1) He is on a mission it fulfillment will be Jerusalem (It is a city on a hill - built on Rock)

Luke 9:51 *"He set His face steadfastly toward to Jerusalem"-*

Center piece of Jerusalem was the Temple - David saved the \$ Solomon built - Abraham almost offered His son - Isaac who willing carried the wood. Angel Jesus would come - to carry His own cross. Temple was built on the same mount. The temple was the place that God's people would worship.

The Holy of Holies- Gods presence dwelt there.

Emmanuel - the presence of God would be in the person of Jesus Christ that the temple was the most sacred place - it was the connecting place between Heaven and earth. Its where people met with God and God met with people and God chose to dwell in glory there in the Holy of Holies - and Jerusalem was built around the Temple of God - and Jesus said that His mission would be fulfilled there. All that had been expected and foretold - all will be accomplished through Jesus.

Jesus tells us what is waiting for Him there. He prophesied His own future.

1) Arrested

2) Mocked

3) Shamefully treated

4) Spit Upon - Extreme and act of Great disrespect

5) Flogged - Mode how he would suffer - Passion of Christ - Accurately

He was crucified - died - died without sin - death could not hold him cause He had no sin.

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The Bible is about ME! This is why we disagree with cults , Jesus is more than just a prophet, a good man and moral example Jesus is Lord.

His mission is the fulfillment of Scriptures.

Where is Jesus in the Old Testament

Some think that the first 2/3 of the Bible is not about Jesus.

Six Different ways you can see Jesus in the Old Testament

NOT Allegorizing - which is pretending that Jesus is there when He's not/
But through what's called Christophany's

1) Christophany

Def: Christophany - A Christophany is an appearance, or non-physical manifestation, of Christ. {i.e The pre-existent Christ expels Adam and Eve from the Garden of Eden;} The etymology is from the Greek noun Christos- "Christ, Anointed", and the Greek ending "phany" from the verb phaneroō, to be revealed or to manifest.

These are the appearance of Jesus on the Old Testament before His Birth through Mary. Jesus was pre- existing before His birth in a stable in Bethlehem.

Old Testament Cameo appearances

- 1) He Walked with Abraham
- 2) He Wrestled with Jacob
- 3) Appeared to Moses
- 4) Joined Daniel in the Lion's Den -
- 5) Was the 4th man in the fire with Shadrach Meshach and Abindegō.
- 6) He called Isaiah into ministry - Isaiah 6:1 (700 years before His birth)

Isa 6:1-3 *1 In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple. 2 Above it stood the seraphims: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly. 3 And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory. KJV*

John 12:41 *These things said Esaias, when he saw his glory, and spake of him.*

There is a difference in the Bible between...

"An" angle of the Lord - a spirit being - a messenger

"THE" Angel of the Lord- The Messenger of The Lord- Its Jesus a Christophany - He offered the sacrifice instead of Isaac.

Remember we are taking the Words of Jesus and looking for Him in the Old Testament and prophets. so #1 We see Him in the Christophany's

2) Types -

Def: *Old Testament representative, figures, institutions ,or events that are a foreshadow Jesus - That are prophetically anticipating His arrival, they are revealing an attribute of Jesus, His ministry, His nature, His purpose.*

1) **Adam** - who was the forshadow of the second or Last Adam- Jesus
1 Cor 15:45 & Rom 5:12-21

Adam is the head of all fallen, Jesus is head of all who are righteous.

2) **Priesthood** - prefigures Jesus as our High priest that offers Himself up as our Sin sacrifice. The book of Hebrews - is about how the whole priesthood and how it was to get us to Christ.

3)**King David** - Jesus is the King of Kings -See king - you remember Jesus

4) **Moses and the prophets** - Jesus ultimate Law giver the ultimate prophet

5) **Animal Sacrifices** - they show us where an innocent animal was offered to cover the sins of people - forshadwing Jesus our ultimate sacrifice the once for all sacrifice so we needn't offer sacrifices today Because Jesus in our sacrifice.

John called Him - "Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world."

6) **The temple** - Jesus - Presence of God dwelling in man - in us. unlike other religions - we don't go to a holy place, we go to Jesus, He is our Holy place, He is presence of God. "one mediator" JESUS

7) **Shepherd** - we are sheep - Reminds us that Jesus is our Good Shepherd

8) **Judges** who make John 5 All judgment to me

9) **True Bread , Vine, Light, Living Water.**

Ultimatley that's my goal is to get you to read the Bible to get to Jesus
To know Jesus in the Bible. - that's the most important part.
The bedrock of who we are as a people - to know Jesus.

3) Analagoservice

People who do things that Jesus completly fulfills - He finishes the work.
People who are forshadowing Jesus's work

Jesus was the Better Abel - Jesus would willingly offer up His innocent blood that cries out for our aquitle

Abraham left His father at home and go to a foreign land
He would do the same things Jesus would do when He left His home in heaven

Isaac carrying his own sacrificial wood was showing us what Jesus would later do.

Jesus is the greater **Jacob** - who wrestled with the Father in Garden of Gethsemane - who went away - although wounded and limping walked away from His grave blessed. (Like Jacob)

Jesus was the greater **Joseph** - who serves at the right hand of God the king who extends His forgiveness and love to those of us who have betrayed Him and sustains us with His provision and offers reconciliation.

Jesus was a greater **Moses** because He brought us a new covenant - better

Greater than Job - innocent Jesus suffered, and was tormented by the devil, and who's dumb friends were of no help or encouragement.

Jesus is a greater King than **David** - because He slew our giant of Satan, Sin and death although in the eyes of the world He was certain to face a crushing defeat.

Jesus was greater than **Jonah** - he spent three days in the belly of the earth not to just save a city but to save the entire world.

Boaz redeemed Ruth -- Redeem / When Nehemiah rebuilt Jerusalem - Jesus building an eternal Home/ Hosea- married an unfaithful wife- - heart of God's depth of His love and forgiveness

4) Events

Exodus account -Gods people were in slavery to a cruel and mean tyrant - who ruled over them as a god- - no way that they could liberate themselves.

God makes a way - he invited even His enemies to repent.

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