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Christ in the Old Testament - Summary

Purpose: To review the Scriptural data we have seen concerning Christ in the Old Testament and to recommend further reading

1. Introduction

Subject has been our Saviour

Looked at how to interpret Scripture

Then sought to find the Lord in the Scriptures that testify of Him

Have seen Him throughout the OT

These are days when many disparage the OT – dismiss it

“Why do we need it at all? We have the NT now!”

Have we addressed that question?

2. Interpreting the Bible

Our understanding is not the touchstone

Interpret a text in its proper context

Do not interpret Scripture so it contradicts Scripture

Interpret Scripture with Scripture

Take the simplest, most natural meaning

Do not stop short or go beyond Scripture

Interpret from the Bible outwards

5 ways to find Christ?

3. Prophecy – Human Ancestry

Who did we see that Christ had to descend from humanly?

Adam - Gen 3:14-15

Abraham - Genesis 22:15-18, Acts 3:24-26, Gal 3:16

Isaac - Gen 26:3-4, Genesis 21:5-12

Jacob - Genesis 28:10-14, Numbers 24:15-17

Judah - Gen 49:1-2, Gen 49:8-12

Jesse - Isaiah 11:1-5

David - 2 Sam 7:12-16

All the Kings of Judah - Jer 23:5-6, Jeremiah 33:15-16

4. Prophecy – Birth and Ministry

To be born of a virgin - Gen 3:14-15, Isaiah 7:13-14

To be born in Bethlehem - Micah 5:1-5

To be the Son of God - Ps 2:7, 2 Sam 7:14(a), **Heb 1:5**, Luke 1:35

To come according to Scripture - Ps 40:6-8, Heb 10:1-10

To be preceded by a messenger - Isa 40:3-5, Mal 3:1, Mal 4:5, Matthew 3:1-3, 2 Kings 1:7-8

To be God - Isa 9:3

To be The Anointed:

THE Prophet - Deut 18:17-19, John 7:40

THE Priest - Ps 110:4

THE King - Psalm 2:6

To receive a special anointing of the Spirit - Isa 11:2, Isa 42:1-4

To minister in Galilee - Isa 9:1

To have a healing and preaching ministry - Isa 35:3-6, Matt 11:4, Isa 61:1-3, Luke 4:20-21

To minister in parables - Psalm 78:2, Matt 13:34

To be zealous for God - Psalm 69:9, John 2:13-17

5. Prophecy– Work of Salvation

Substitutionary:

He will bear our sins - Isa 53:4-12

He will be our righteousness - Jeremiah 23:5-6

Costly - Psalm 22:1, Isa 53:10, Psalm 22:7, Psalm 22:12-13

Salvation only to be in Him - Isa 59:16-20

Defeat for Satan - Gen 3:14-15

Light in darkness, new life in barrenness - Sam 23:3-5

The end of death - Isa 25:6-9

Atonement for iniquity, the end of sin - Daniel 9:24-27

Release from captivity, oppression and prison - Isa 61:1-3

Redemption and ransom - Isa 35:4-10

Peace for the nations - Zech 9:9-10,

For Gentiles too - Gen 22:18, Isa 42:6, Isa 49:1-6, Isa 60:1-3

To be accomplished in Jerusalem - Ps 14:7, Isa 28:16, Zech 9:9

6. Prophecy – Death and Burial

Triumphal entry - Zechariah 9:9, Ps 118:25-27, Matthew 21:1-11

Will come to temple - Mal 3:1-3

Betrayed by close friend - Psalm 41:9, John 13:18

Sold for 30 pieces of silver - Zechariah 11:12-13, Matthew 27:7-10

Deserted by followers - Zechariah 13:7, Matthew 26:31

Silent before accusers - Isaiah 53:7, Matthew 26:62-63

Condemned by conspiracy - Psalm 2:1-3, Acts 4:27

Wounded and disfigured - Isaiah 52:14, Mark 15:16-19

Beaten & Spat upon - Isaiah 50:6, Matthew 26:67

Rejected by His own - Isaiah 53:3, Matthew 27:22-23

Hated without cause - Psalm 69:4, John 15:23-25

Hands and feet pierced - Psalm 22:16

Stared upon: cast lots for clothes - Psalm 22:17-18, Matthew 27:35

Mocked - Psalm 22:7-8, Matthew 27:41-44

Crucified with thieves, intercession for persecutors - Isaiah 53:12, Matthew 27:38

Daylight and darkness - Psalm 22:2, Matthew 27:45

Thirsty - given vinegar & gall - Psalm 22:15, Psalm 69:21, Matthew 27:34, John 19:28-29

Forsaken cry - Psalm 22:1, Matthew 27:46

Commits himself to God - Psalm 31:5, Luke 23:46

Triumphant cry - He has performed it = "It is finished!" - Psalm 22:31, John 19:30

No bones broken – to be pierced with a spear - Psalm 34:20, Zechariah 12:10, John 19:31-37

Buried with Rich - Isaiah 53:9, Matthew 27:57-60

7. Prophecy – resurrection, ascension and future

To Triumph - Psalm 118:22-24, Acts 4:9-12, Isaiah 53:11-12, Psalm 2

To rise - Psalm 16:10, Acts 2:22-31, Psalm 22:22-25, Isaiah 53:11

To ascend - Psalm 68:18

To come again - Job 19:25-27

To Judge - Isaiah 33:17, Psalm 96:11-13, Psalm 110

To Reign in Righteousness - inheriting the nations - Psalm 2:1-12

Wedding of the Lamb – Psalm 45

Characteristics of His reign – Psalm 72

8. Theophany

Christ appeared to:

Abraham - Gen 18 (confirming promises, judging wicked)

Jacob - Gen 32:22-31 (encouraging, blessing)

Balaam - Num 22:21-35 (defending against evil forces)

Joshua - Joshua 5:13 - 6:5 (leading into battle)

Gideon - Judges 6:11-24 (restoring His people)

Samson's parents - Judges 13:1-25 (restoring His people)

9. Symbols

Noah's Ark - Genesis 6:13-18

Jacob's ladder - Genesis 28:10-19, John 1:47-51

The rock from which water came - Exodus 17:6, 1 Corinthians 10:1-4, John 4:10-14

Manna - Exodus 16:13-16, Exodus 16:31-35, Numbers 11:7-9, John 6:28-40

Serpent in Wilderness, Numbers 21:4-9, John 3:10-16

Tabernacle Furnishings:

All the outer curtains (blue, purple, scarlet)

Veil - Hebrews 10:19-22

Ark

Mercy Seat - Exodus 25:17-22

Tree of life

10. Types

Adam - Romans 5:19, 1 Corinthians 15:20-22, 1 Corinthians 15:45-49

Melchizedek - Genesis 14:18-20, Hebrews 7:1-17

Moses:

As a prophet - Deuteronomy 18:15

As a redeemer

As the mediator of a covenant - Hebrews 8:4-6

Isaac - Genesis 22:1-14, Hebrews 11:17-19

Joseph - Genesis 37:19-28, Gen. 39: 14, Gen. 40:1-3, Gen. 42:8

Jonah - Matthew 12:39-40

Boaz – Ruth 2-4

David

Solomon – Psalm 72, 1 Corinthians 1:24

Joshua

Aaron (High Priest)

11. Ceremonies

Passover - Exodus 12:1-12, Exodus 12:46, John 19:36, 1 Corinthians 5:7

Burnt offering. Le 1:1-9; Heb 10:10

Peace offering

Trespass offering

Red heifer. - Nu 19:1-6; Heb 9:13,14

Day of Atonement – scapegoat - Leviticus 16:20-22

Healing of leper - Leviticus 14:1-7

12. Further Reading

1 – The Bible!

- Use the principles we have developed and shown

- Ask God to show Christ to you

2 – Matthew Henry’s Commentary – devotional

3 – Anything by Alfred Edersheim

- Sketches In Jewish Social Life

- The Temple

- The Life and Times of Jesus – Volume 1 • Volume 2

- Pre-Flood World and Patriarchs

- Exodus and the Wanderings

- Joshua, and, The Judges

- Samuel, Saul, and, David to the Birth of Solomon

- Birth of Solomon to The Reign of Ahab

- From Ahab to the Decline of the Two Kingdoms

- Decline of the Two Kingdoms to The Captivity

4 – Fairbairn – typology of Scripture

5 – Books on apologetics – Evidence that Demands a Verdict by

Josh McDowell

6 – Works of John Bunyan

13. Conclusions

We have not been comprehensive
But how much we have seen
This is what warmed the hearts of disciples on the road to Emmaus
Search the Scriptures
Read them through and through
If we are cut, we should “Bleed” the Bible (Spurgeon)!
Look for Christ – He is certainly there!
If we add together all the ways we can find Him,
He is never far away in the OT!
Remember these were written 400, 700, 1000 and more years
before He ever came
They were written for our comfort and consolation
So we may be sure He is the Christ
We may rest in Him
Point others to Him
Pity those who dismiss the OT – what richness they miss!
Bless the Lord for giving us a complete revelation of Christ in both
Testaments of the Bible!