

THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW – OLIVET DISCOURSE – FALL 2022
Week 9 – JROC – How Do We Know That Jesus Is The Messiah?
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WHY do we believe Jesus is the Messiah?

What was expected of Him?

Born in Bethlehem Ephrathah (Micah 5:2)

Born of a virgin (Isa. 7:14)

Perform miracles (Isa. 35:5-6)

Crucified (Psa. 22; Isa. 53)

Resurrected (Psa. 16:10)

Aside from the NT, where do we find passages about the Messiah?

Messianic prophecies – what do Messianic prophecies tell us?

His credentials, His genealogy/lineage, tribal affiliation,

What is the purpose of Messianic prophecies? So the Jewish people would recognize the Messiah when He arrived. To verify God's promises!

Why is Jesus called the Messiah?

Matt. 1:16 - And Jacob begot Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus who is called Christ.

When we say Jesus Christ, we are calling Him Jesus the Messiah.

“Christ” is the Greek word for “anointed.”

“Messiah” is the Hebrew word for “anointed.”

Why was Jesus anointed?

Prophets, Priests, Kings were anointed in Biblical times.

Jesus fulfilled all three roles of prophet, priest, and king.

Psa. 45:7 - You love righteousness and hate wickedness;

Therefore God, Your God, has anointed You

With the oil of gladness more than Your companions.

A prophet has a word from God. Jesus is the Word.

As a priest, Jesus offered a sacrifice, and that sacrifice was Himself.

He is the priest and the offering.

Jesus is the King of Israel (*Zech. 9:9 - “Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your King is coming to you;*

He is just and having salvation, lowly and riding on a donkey, a colt, the foal of a donkey.)

Jesus' companions held 2 offices –

- Melchizedek – priest and king – Gen. 14:18 (King of Righteousness)

- David – prophet (Acts 2:29-34) and king (I San. 16:12-13)
- Moses – priest (of the tribe of Levi – Ex. 2) and prophet (Deut. 18:15)

What are some of the names and titles of the Messiah?

- The Seed of the woman – Gen. 3:15 – Who would come to resolve the sin problem.

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- The Prophet – Deut. 18:18-19 - *I will raise up for them a Prophet like you from among their brethren, and will put My words in His mouth, and He shall speak to them all that I command Him. ¹⁹ And it shall be that whoever will not hear My words, which He speaks in My name, I will require it of him.*

- The Branch

- Isa. 11:1-2 - *There shall come forth a Rod from the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots.*

² *The Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon Him, The Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might.*

- Jer. 23:5-6 - *Behold, the days are coming,” says the LORD, “That I will raise to David a Branch of righteousness; A King shall reign and prosper, and execute judgment and righteousness in the earth. ⁶ In His days Judah will be saved, And Israel will dwell safely; Now this is His name by which He will be called: THE LORD (Jehovah) OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS.*

- Jer. 33:15-16

- The Anointed

- I Sam. 2:10 – (Hannah’s prayer for a son) - *The LORD will judge the ends of the earth. He will give strength to His king, and exalt the horn of His anointed.’*

- Psa. 2 – (READ)

- Redeemer

- Book of Ruth – Kinsman Redeemer (Boaz [strength])

- Isa. 44:6 – *The LORD will judge the ends of the earth.*

‘He will give strength to His king, and exalt the horn of His anointed.’

- Bridegroom

- Jer. 16:9 & Jer. 33:11 - *the voice of joy and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom and the voice of the bride, the voice of those who will say: - will return during the Messianic/Millennial Kingdom*

- Messiah the Prince

- Dan. 9:25 – speaking of the time of Jesus’ triumphal entry into Jerusalem.

- I AM

- The Bread of Life – John 6:35, 41, 48, 51

- The Light of the World – John 8:12

- The Door – John 10:9

- The Good Shepherd – John 10:11
- The Resurrection and the Life – John 11:25
- The True Vine – John 15:1
- Priest Forever
 - Psa. 110:4 - *The LORD has sworn and will not relent, 'You are a priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.'* Who was King of Salem and Priest. Jesus – King and Priest. Melchizedek's beginning and ending are not noted: Heb. 7:3 - *without father, without mother, without genealogy, having neither beginning of days nor end of life, but made like the Son of God, remains a priest continually.*

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- The Angel of the LORD – preincarnate appearance of Jesus. Speaks for God and speaks as God. Only appears in the OT!
 - Gen. 16:7-8, Gen. 21:17; Gen. 22:15-18; Gen. 31:11; Ex. 3:2-6; Ex. 14:19; Ex. 23:23; Num. 22:22-24; Judges 2:1-2; Judges 13:3; II Sam. 24:15-16; Zech. 3:1-2 and cross reference!
- Son of Man
 - Dan. 7:13 – coming to the Ancient of Days to receive a kingdom and dominion.
- Lamb of God
 - John 1:29 – BEHOLD... the ultimate sacrifice (in reference to the sacrificial system)
- The Word
 - John 1:1 - In the beginning...
 - Gen. 15:1
 - Psa. 107:20
 - Isa. 55:11
- Emmanuel
 - Isa. 7:14
- Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace
 - Isa. 9:6
- Root of David
 - Rev. 5:5
- Lion of the Tribe of Judah
 - Rev. 5:5
- Chief Cornerstone
 - Psa. 118:22