

LESSON 49
“OLD TESTAMENT PROPHECIES OF CHRIST”

OVERVIEW:

All things testify of Christ. Types of Christ.

SCRIPTURES:

There are prophecies of Christ’s coming and various Prophets were “Types of Christ” testifying of Him.

Luke 24:44 – And he said unto them, These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me.

<p>Born of a virgin. Isaiah 7:14 Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a ^asign; ^bBehold, a ^cvirgin shall conceive, and bear a ^dson, and shall call his name ^eImmanuel.</p>	<p>Matthew 1:23 ^aBehold, a ^bvirgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his ^cname ^dEmmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.</p>
<p>Born in Bethlehem. Micah 5:2 But thou, ^aBethlehem Ephrathah, <i>though</i> thou be little among the thousands of ^bJudah, <i>yet</i> out of thee shall he come forth unto me <i>that is</i> to be ^cruler in Israel; whose goings forth <i>have been</i> from of old, from ^deverlasting.</p>	<p>Matthew 2:1 NOW when Jesus was ^aborn in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem</p>
<p>Christ shall be of the Davidic line. Isaiah 9:7, Of the increase of <i>his</i> ^agovernment and peace <i>there shall be</i> no ^bend, upon the throne of ^cDavid, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with ^djustice from henceforth even for ever. The ^ezeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this. Jeremiah 23:5 ¶ Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will raise unto ^aDavid a righteous ^bBranch, and a ^cKing shall ^dreign and prosper, and shall execute ^ejudgment and ^fjustice in the earth.</p>	<p>Matthew 1:1, THE book of the generation of Jesus Christ, the son of ^aDavid, the son of Abraham Matthew 12:23, And all the people were amazed, and said, Is not this the son of ^aDavid? Matthew 22:42, Saying, What think ye of Christ? whose son is he? They say unto him, <i>The Son</i> of ^aDavid. Luke 1:32, He shall be great, and shall be called the ^aSon of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the ^bthrone of his father ^cDavid: John 7:42, Hath not the scripture said, That ^aChrist cometh of the seed of ^bDavid, and out of the town of ^cBethlehem, where David was?</p>
<p>A new star shall come. Numbers 24:17. I shall see him, but ^anot now: I shall behold him, but not nigh: there shall come a ^bStar out of Jacob, and a Sceptre shall rise out of Israel, and shall smite the corners of ^cMoab, and destroy all the children of Sheth.</p>	<p>Matthew 2:2, 10 2 Saying, ^aWhere is he that is born ^bKing of the Jews? for we have seen his ^cstar in the east, and are come to ^dworship him. 10 When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.</p>
<p>Christ will come out of Egypt. Hosea 11:1 WHEN Israel <i>was</i> a child, then I ^aloved him, and called my ^bson out of ^cEgypt.</p>	<p>Matthew 2:13, 19. 13 And when they were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him.</p>

	19 ¶ But when Herod was dead, behold, an angel of the Lord appeareth in a ^a dream to Joseph in Egypt,
<p>A messenger will go before him and say: “prepare ye the way of the Lord.” Isaiah 40:3 ¶ The ^avoice of him that crieth in the wilderness, ^bPrepare ye the ^cway of the LORD, make straight in the desert a ^dhighway for our God.</p>	Matthew 3:3 For this is he that was spoken of by the prophet ^a Esaias, saying, The ^b voice of one crying in the wilderness, ^c Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his ^d paths straight.
<p>He will be the Good Shepherd. Genesis 49:24, But his bow abode in strength, and the arms of his hands were made strong by the hands of the mighty <i>God</i> of Jacob; (from ^athence <i>is</i> the ^bshepherd, the ^cstone of Israel:) Psalms 23:1, THE LORD <i>is</i> my ^ashepherd; I shall not ^bwant. Isaiah 40:11, He shall feed his ^aflock like a ^bshepherd: he shall gather the lambs with his arm, and carry <i>them</i> in his bosom, <i>and</i> shall gently lead those that are with young. Ezekiel 34:12. As a ^ashepherd seeketh out his flock in the day that he is among his sheep <i>that are</i> scattered; so will I ^bseek out my ^csheep, and will deliver them out of all places where they have been ^dscattered in the ^ecloudy and ^fdark day.</p>	John 10:14 I am the good ^a shepherd, and ^b know my ^c sheep, and am known of mine.
<p>Christ will go to Zebulon and Naphtali, Isaiah 9:1 ^aNEVERTHELESS the dimness <i>shall not be</i> such as <i>was</i> in her vexation, ^bwhen at the first he lightly afflicted the land of ^cZebulun and the land of Naphtali, and afterward did more grievously afflict <i>her by</i> the way of the sea, beyond Jordan, in Galilee of the nations.</p>	Matthew 4:12-16 12 ¶ Now when Jesus had heard that John was cast into prison, he departed into ^a Galilee; 13 And leaving Nazareth, he came and dwelt in Capernaum, which is upon the sea coast, in the borders of Zabulon and Nephthalim: 14 That it might be ^a fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, 15 The land of ^a Zabulon, and the land of Nephthalim, <i>by</i> the way of the sea, beyond Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles; 16. The people which sat in ^a darkness saw great ^b light; and to them which sat in the region and shadow of death light is sprung up.
<p>He will ride upon a donkey into Jerusalem. Zechariah 9:9 ¶ Rejoice greatly, O ^adaughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy ^bKing cometh unto thee: he <i>is</i> ^cjust, and having salvation; lowly, and ^driding upon an ^eass, and upon a ^fcolt the foal of an ass.</p>	John 12:14-15, 14 And Jesus, when he had found a young ass, sat thereon; as it is written, 15 Fear not, daughter of Sion: behold, thy ^a King cometh, sitting on an ass's colt. Matthew 21:7 ^a And brought the ass, and the colt, and put on them their clothes, and they set <i>him</i> thereon.
<p>He will be sold for 30 pieces of silver. Zechariah 11:12-13 And I said unto them, If ye think good, give <i>me</i> my price; and if not, forbear. So they weighed for my price ^athirty <i>pieces</i> of ^bsilver. 13 And the LORD said unto me, Cast it unto the ^apotter: a goodly price that I was ^bprised at of them. And I took the thirty <i>pieces</i> of silver, and</p>	Matthew 27:3 ¶ Then Judas, which had betrayed him, when he saw that he was condemned, repented himself, and brought again the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders,

<p>cast them to the potter in the house of the LORD.</p>	
<p>He will be surrounded by wicked men. Psalms 22:16 For dogs have compassed me: the assembly of the ^awicked have inclosed me: they ^bpierced my hands and my feet.</p>	<p>Matthew 26:45, Then cometh he to his disciples, and saith unto them, Sleep on now, and take <i>your</i> rest: behold, the hour is at hand, and the Son of man is ^abetrayed into the hands of sinners. Mark 11:18 And the scribes and chief priests heard <i>it</i>, and sought how they might ^adestroy him: for they feared him, because all the people was astonished at his doctrine.</p>
<p>He will give his back to the smiters. Isaiah 50:6 I ^agave my ^bback to the ^csmiters, and my ^dcheeks to them that plucked off the hair: I ^ehid not my face from ^fshame and ^gspitting.</p>	<p>Matthew 27:26, 30 ¶ Then released he Barabbas unto them: and when he had ^ascourged Jesus, he delivered <i>him</i> to be crucified. 27 Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the ^acommon hall, and gathered unto him the whole band <i>of soldiers</i>. 28 And they stripped him, and put on him a ^ascarlet robe. 29 ¶ And when they had ^aplatted a crown of thorns, they put <i>it</i> upon his head, and a ^breed in his right hand: and they bowed the knee before him, and mocked him, saying, Hail, King of the Jews! 30 And they ^aspit upon him, and took the reed, and smote him on the head.</p>
<p>He will allow them to pluck out his beard. Isaiah 50:6 I ^agave my ^bback to the ^csmiters, and my ^dcheeks to them that plucked off the hair: I ^ehid not my face from ^fshame and ^gspitting.</p>	<p>There is no scriptural reference for the fulfillment of this prophecy, but if the rest of them happened, so should this one. Maybe this is why Peter said, “I know not the man,” because he didn’t recognize him without the beard.</p>
<p>He will be spat upon. Isaiah 50:6 I ^agave my ^bback to the ^csmiters, and my ^dcheeks to them that plucked off the hair: I ^ehid not my face from ^fshame and ^gspitting.</p>	<p>Matthew 26:67 Then did they ^aspit in his face, and buffeted him; and others smote <i>him</i> with the palms of their hands,</p>
<p>The soldiers would cast lots for his clothes. Psalms 22:18 They part my ^agarments among them, and cast lots upon my vesture.</p>	<p>John 19:24 They said therefore among themselves, Let us not rend it, but cast lots for it, whose it shall be: that the scripture might be fulfilled, which saith, They parted my ^araiment among them, and for my vesture they did cast lots. These things therefore the soldiers did.</p>
<p>He will be crucified. Psalms 22:16, For dogs have compassed me: the assembly of the ^awicked have inclosed me: they ^bpierced my hands and my feet. Zechariah 12:10, And I will ^apour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of ^bgrace and of supplications: and they shall ^clook upon me whom they have ^dpierced, and they shall ^emourn for him, as one mourneth for <i>his</i> ^fonly <i>son</i>, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for <i>his</i> firstborn. Zechariah 13:6 And <i>one</i> shall say unto him, What <i>are</i> these ^awounds in thine hands? Then he shall answer,</p>	<p>Matthew 20:19, And shall deliver him to the Gentiles to ^amock, and to scourge, and to ^bcrucify <i>him</i>: and the third day he shall ^crise again. Matthew 26:2, Ye know that after two days is <i>the feast of</i> the ^apassover, and the Son of man is ^bbetrayed to be ^ccrucified Matthew 27:35, And they ^acrucified him, and ^bparted his garments, casting lots: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, They parted my ^cgarments among them, and upon my vesture did they cast lots. Luke 23:33, And when they were come to the place, which is called Calvary, there they</p>

<p><i>Those with which I was ^bwounded in the house of my friends.</i></p>	<p>crucified him, and the malefactors, one on the right hand, and the other on the left. Luke 24:20 And how the chief priests and our rulers delivered him to be condemned to death, and have crucified him</p>
<p>When he is on the cross, he will receive vinegar to drink. Psalms 69:21 They gave me also gall for my meat; and in my thirst they gave me ^avinegar to drink.</p>	<p>Matthew 27:34 ¶ They gave him ^avinegar to drink mingled with gall: and when he had tasted <i>thereof</i>, he would not drink.</p>
<p>Will say, “My God, why hast thou forsaken me?” Psalms 22:1 ^aMY God, my God, why hast thou ^bforsaken me? <i>why art thou so far from helping me, and from ^cthe words of my roaring?</i></p>	<p>Mark 15:34 And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, ^aEloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani? which is, being interpreted, My God, my God, why hast thou ^bforsaken me?</p>
<p>He will die with the wicked. Isaiah 53:9 And he made his grave with the ^awicked, and with the rich in his ^bdeath; ^cbecause he had done no ^dviolence, neither <i>was any ^edeceit</i> in his mouth.</p>	<p>Luke 23:32 And there were also two other, ^amalefactors, led with him to be put to death.</p>
<p>When he dies, his bones will not be broken. Psalms 34:20 He keepeth all his bones: not one of them is ^abroken.</p>	<p>John 19:33 But when they came to Jesus, and saw that he was dead already, they ^abrake not his legs:</p>
<p>He we will buried by the rich. Isaiah 53:9 And he made his grave with the ^awicked, and with the rich in his ^bdeath; ^cbecause he had done no ^dviolence, neither <i>was any ^edeceit</i> in his mouth.</p>	<p>Luke 23:50-56 50 ¶ And, behold, <i>there was</i> a man named Joseph, a ^acounsellor; <i>and he was</i> a good man, and a just: 51 (The same had not consented to the counsel and deed of them;) <i>he was</i> of Arimathaea, a city of the Jews: who also himself waited for the kingdom of God. 52 This <i>man</i> went unto Pilate, and ^abegged the body of Jesus. 53 And he took it down, and wrapped it in linen, and laid it in a ^asepulchre that was hewn in stone, wherein never man before was laid. 54 And that day was the ^apreparation, and the sabbath drew on. 55 And the women also, which came with him from Galilee, followed after, and beheld the ^asepulchre, and how his body was laid. 56 And they returned, and prepared spices and ointments; and ^arested the sabbath day according to the commandment.</p>
<p>He will be killed in the house of his friends. Zechariah 13:6 And <i>one</i> shall say unto him, What <i>are</i> these ^awounds in thine hands? Then he shall answer, <i>Those with which I was ^bwounded in the house of my friends.</i></p>	<p>Matthew 27:18, For he knew that for ^aenvy they had ^bdelivered him. Mark 11:18, And the scribes and chief priests heard <i>it</i>, and sought how they might ^adestroy him: for they feared him, because all the people was astonished at his doctrine. Mark 14:14, And wheresoever he shall go in, say ye to the goodman of the house, The Master saith, Where is the guestchamber, where I shall eat the passover with my disciples? Luke 22:48 But Jesus said unto him, ^aJudas, ^bbetrayest thou the Son of man with a ^ckiss?</p>

Christ will be resurrected. Job 19:25, For I^a know *that* my^b redeemer liveth, and *that* ^che shall^d stand at the latter *day* upon the earth: Isaiah 25:8 He will swallow up^a death in^b victory; and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from off all faces; and the^c rebuke of his people shall he take away from off all the earth: for the LORD hath spoken *it*.

Matthew 16:21, ¶ From that time forth began Jesus to shew unto his disciples, how that he must go unto Jerusalem, and suffer many things of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be^a raised again the third day. Matthew 28:6, He is not here: for he is^a risen, as he said. Come, see the place where the^b Lord lay. Luke 24:39, Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself:^a handle me, and see; for a^b spirit hath not^c flesh and bones, as ye^d see me have. John 20:27 Then saith he to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and^a thrust *it* into my side: and be not^b faithless, but^c believing.

There are also many “Types of Christ.”

Sacrifices anciently pointed to Christ. Leviticus 14:1-9.

1 AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 This shall be the law of the^a leper (serious sinner) in the day of his cleansing: He shall be brought unto the^b priest: (Bishop, stake president, etc.)

3 And the priest shall go forth (bishops seek out the inactive and lost sheep) out of the camp (they are out of fellowship with the saints); and the priest shall look, and, behold, *if* the plague of leprosy be^a healed in the leper;

4 Then shall the priest command to take for him that is to be cleansed two birds alive *and* clean, (one bird is the repentant person, the other is Christ) and cedar wood, (representing the cross) and^a scarlet, (his robe) and hyssop: (Christ would be given vinegar on a hyssop while on the cross)

5 And the priest shall command that one of the birds be killed in an earthen vessel over running water: (Christ, the living water, would come to earth to die.)

6 As for the living bird, (the repentant person) he shall take it, and the cedar wood, and the scarlet, and the hyssop, (elements of the sacrifice of Christ) and shall dip them and the living bird in the blood of the bird *that was* killed over the running water: (The repentant person becomes clean only in the blood of Christ)

7 And he shall sprinkle upon him that is to be cleansed from the leprosy seven times, (wholeness, completeness, perfection – It is a perfect atonement.) and shall pronounce him clean, (the atonement will take effect) and shall let the living bird loose into the open field. (the repentant person has unlimited opportunities in the kingdom of God)

8 And he that is to be cleansed shall wash his clothes, and^a shave off all his hair, and wash himself in water, that he may be clean: (baptism and being born again) and after that he shall come into the camp, (be received into full fellowship in the kingdom) and shall tarry abroad out of his tent seven days.

9 But it shall be on the seventh day, that he shall shave all his hair off his head and his beard and his eyebrows, even all his hair he shall shave off: and he shall wash his clothes, also he shall wash his flesh in water, (baptism) and he shall be clean. (It is a fact, when we are healed physically, we are also healed spiritually.)

ADAM - As Adam and Eve's fall brought life into mortality and the gift of a physical body to all of Heavenly Father's faithful premortal children, the Atonement of Christ also gives life with an immortal, perfected physical body for every son and daughter of Adam and Eve.

ABEL - Abel's death was a similitude of the death of Jesus Christ. Satan and Cain conspired in Abel's premeditated murder, and Abel was delivered by Satan into the hands of a wicked man.

MELCHIZEDEK - The Apostle Paul taught that Christ was "after the similitude of Melchisedec" His name means "King of Righteousness." He was also known as the Prince of Peace, the King of Peace, and the King of Heaven

ISAAC - The Apostle Paul referred to the parallel between Isaac's life and the Savior's when he wrote, "By faith Abraham, when he was tried, offered up Isaac: and he that had received the promises offered up his only begotten son". Only two people in the standard works are called an "only begotten son"—Christ and Isaac. He carried his own wood, willingly gave his life, would have been sacrificed near Golgotha.

MOSES - Both were foreordained in premortal life; both were deliverers, lawgivers, and judges; both taught of the Atonement; both had control over the elements, especially the waters, and provided food for their peoples; and both were known as the meekest of men.

BOAZ - God provides Ruth with a kinsman-redeemer named Boaz. The Hebrew word used to describe Boaz's relationship with Ruth is *go'el*. It is translated as "kinsman," but it literally means "redeemer." Thus Boaz is a type of Christ's love and redemptive power. We have a Redeemer who has purchased or rescued us with a price—His precious blood.

ELIJAH and ELISHA – Both Elijah and Elisha multiplied a widow's food supply to sustain her family, episodes that foreshadowed two of Christ's great miracles. Elisha fed 100 men with only 20 loaves and some grain, with food left over, much like Christ. Like Christ, Elisha healed the sick. Elijah and Elisha raised young boys from the dead; as Jesus raised a widow's son.

NOAH, JOSHUA, Joshua led the people into the promised land. SAMUEL, and JEREMIAH.

JONAH - According to the Savior's own testimony, Jonah's three days and nights in the belly of a great sea creature specifically prefigured the Savior's burial and sojourn in the spirit world.

The life of the patriarch Joseph was in many ways symbolic of the Messiah.

JOSEPH	THE MESSIAH
Joseph was the beloved son of his father (see Gen. 37:3).	Jesus Christ was Heavenly Father's well-beloved Son (see Matt. 3:17).
Joseph was rejected by his brothers (see Gen. 37:4).	Jesus was rejected by the leaders of His people, the Jews (see Isa. 53:3; John 1:11).
Joseph was sold at the urging of his brother Judah into the hands of Gentiles (see Gen. 37:25-27).	Jesus was sold by Judas, a form of the name <i>Judah</i> , and delivered over to Gentiles, the Romans (see Matt. 27:3).
Joseph was sold for 20 pieces of silver, the price of a slave his age (see Gen. 37:28).	Jesus was sold for 30 pieces of silver, the price of a slave His age (see Matt. 26:15).
The attempt to get rid of Joseph eventually led to the temporal salvation of Joseph's family (see Gen. 45:4-5).	The attempt to destroy Jesus led to the Atonement and salvation for Heavenly Father's family (see 2 Ne. 9:7-8).
Joseph was age 30 when he began his mission (see Gen. 41:46).	Jesus was age 30 when He began His mortal ministry (see Luke 3:23).
All knees bowed to Joseph when he became a ruler in Egypt (see Gen. 41:43).	All knees will eventually bow to Jesus (see D&C 88:104).
Joseph generously provided food to his	Jesus, the Bread of Life, freely offers

family (see Gen. 42:33, 35).

salvation to all mankind (see John 6:34-35;
2 Ne. 9:50).

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