

## Jesus, The Prophesied Savior

**“Who has <sup>(th)</sup> believed our report? And to whom is the arm of the LORD revealed?**

**The Prophet Isaiah wrote in 739–681 B.C.):** “For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: **he has <sup>(th)</sup>** no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see him, there is no beauty that we should desire him. **He is** despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief: and **we hid** as it were our faces from him; **he was** despised, and **we esteemed** him not. Surely, **he has <sup>(th)</sup>** borne our griefs and carried our sorrows: yet **we did** esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. But **he was** wounded for our transgressions, **he was** bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of **our peace** was upon him; and with **his stripes we** are healed.

**“All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD has <sup>(th)</sup> laid on him the iniquity of us all.**

**“He was** oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet **he opened** not his mouth: **he is** brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so **he opens <sup>(eth)</sup>** not his mouth. **He was** taken from prison and from judgment: and who shall declare his generation? For **he was** cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgression of my people was he stricken. And **he made** his grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death; because **he had** done no violence, neither was any deceit in his mouth. Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise him; **he has <sup>(th)</sup>** put him to grief: when you <sup>(thou)</sup> shalt make his soul an offering for sin, **he shall** see his seed, **he shall** prolong his days, and the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in his hand. **He shall** see of the travail of his soul and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for **he shall** bear their iniquities. Therefore, will I divide him a portion with the great, and **he shall** divide the spoil with the strong; because **he has <sup>(th)</sup>** poured out his soul unto death: and **he was** numbered with the transgressors; and **he bare** the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.” (Isa. 53:1–12)

## Jesus, The Crucified Savior

**“THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS.**

“And one of the malefactors which were hanged railed on him, saying, If you <sup>(thou)</sup> be Christ, save thyself and us. But the other answering rebuked him, saying, **(1)** <sup>(Dost not thou)</sup> Do you not fear God, seeing you <sup>(thou)</sup> are <sup>(t)</sup> in the same condemnation? And **we** indeed justly; **(2)** for **we** receive the due reward of our deeds: but this man has <sup>(th)</sup> done nothing amiss. And he said unto **(3)** Jesus, Lord, remember **me** when you <sup>(thou)</sup> come <sup>(st)</sup> into your <sup>(thy)</sup> kingdom. And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto you <sup>(thee)</sup>, **(4)** Today shalt you <sup>(thou)</sup> be with **me** in paradise.” (Luke 23:38–43)

“For **we** preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake.” (2 Cor. 4:5)  
“But **we** preach Christ crucified—Christ the power of God, and the wisdom of God.” (1 Cor. 1:23–24)

## Jesus, The Rock

**Perhaps, unknowingly, the wise malefactor's comments point to Jesus as the ROCK upon which the Church would be built.**

**“Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and forever” (Heb. 13:8).**

**The wise malefactor's comments, and the parallel Old Testament Scriptures.**

**(1) “<sup>(Dost not thou)</sup> Do you not fear God?”**

“For, who is God, save the LORD? And who is a **ROCK**, save our God.” (Psalm 22:23)

**(2) “For we receive the due reward for our deeds: but this man has <sup>(th)</sup> done nothing wrong / sinful <sup>(amiss)</sup>.”**

“To show <sup>(e)</sup> that the LORD is upright: he is my **ROCK**, and there is no unrighteousness in him.” (Ps. 92:15) “He is the **ROCK**, his work is perfect: for all his ways are judgment: A God of truth and without iniquity, just and right is he.” (Deut 32:4)

**“When he (Jesus) saw their faith, he said unto him, Man, thy sins are forgiven you <sup>(thee)</sup>.” (Luke 5:20)**

**(3) “Jesus, remember me when you <sup>(thou)</sup> come <sup>(st)</sup> into your <sup>(thy)</sup> Kingdom.”**

“Deliver me in your <sup>(thy)</sup> righteousness and cause me to escape, incline thine ear unto me, and save me. Be, you <sup>(thou)</sup> my strong habitation, whereunto I may continually resort: Thou hast given commandment to save me; for thou art my **ROCK** and my fortress.” (Ps. 71:2–3) “Unto thee will I cry, O LORD my **ROCK**; be not silent to me: lest, if thou be silent to me, I become like them that go down into the pit.” (Psalm 28:1)

**(4) Jesus's response: “Today shalt you <sup>(thou)</sup> be with me in paradise.”**

**These scriptures reveal the joy the wise malefactor must have experienced that day.**

“The LORD lives <sup>(th)</sup>; and blessed be my **ROCK**; and exalted be the God of the **ROCK** of my salvation.” (2 Sam. 22:47) “The LORD is my **ROCK**, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust.” (Ps. 18:2) “O Come, let us sing unto the LORD: let us make a joyful noise to the **ROCK** of our salvation. Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving and make a joyful noise unto him with psalms. For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods ... O Come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the LORD our maker. For he is our God; and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.” (Psalm 95:1–3, 6–7)

## Jesus, Our Creator

**Written by Moses, approx. 1445 BC:** “In the beginning **God created** the heaven and the earth—And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. So **God created** man in his own image, in the image of **God created** he him; male and female created he them.” (Gen 1:1, 26–27)

Written by Apostle John, approx. 85–90 AD: “In the beginning was the **Word (Jesus)**, and the **Word** was with God, and the **Word was God**. The same was in the beginning with God. **All things were made by him**; and without him was not anything made that was made. **In him was life**; and the **life was the light** of men—He was in the world, and **the world was made by him**, and the world knew him not—

“As many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that **believe on his name**: Which were **born**, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but **of God**.

“And the **Word was made flesh**, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth—grace and truth came by **Jesus Christ**.” (John 1:1–4, 10, 12–14, 17)

## Jesus Our Friend

“If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.

**Jesus said**: “Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much **fruit**; so, shall ye be my disciples. As the Father has <sup>(th)</sup> **loved** me, so have I **loved** you: continue ye in my love. If ye keep my commandments, ye shall **abide** in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments and **abide** in his love. These things have I spoken unto you, that my **joy** might remain in you, and that your **joy** might be full. This is my commandment, That ye **love** one another, as I have **loved** you. Greater **love** has <sup>(th)</sup> no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his **friends**. Ye are my **friends**, if ye do whatsoever I command you. Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knows <sup>(eth)</sup> not what his lord does <sup>(th)</sup>: but I have called you **friends**; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you. Ye have not chosen me, but I have **chosen** you, and **ordained** you, that ye should go and **bring forth** fruit, and that your fruit should **remain**: that whatsoever ye shall **ask of the Father in my name**, **he may give it you**. These things I **command you**, that ye **love one another**—But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the **Spirit of truth**, which proceeds <sup>(eth)</sup> from the Father, **he shall testify of me**: And ye also shall bear witness,

because ye have been with me from the beginning.” (John 15:7–17; 26–27)

## Jesus, Our Protector

**Apostle Paul wrote**: “But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived. But **continue you** <sup>(thou)</sup> in the things which you <sup>(thou)</sup> have <sup>(st)</sup> learned and have <sup>(st)</sup> been assured of, knowing of whom you <sup>(thou)</sup> have <sup>(st)</sup> learned them; And that from a child you <sup>(thou)</sup> have <sup>(st)</sup> known **the holy scriptures**, which are able to make you <sup>(thee)</sup> **wise unto salvation through faith** which is in **Christ Jesus**. All scripture is **given by inspiration of God**, and is **profitable for doctrine**, for **reproof**, for **correction**, for **instruction** in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all **good works**.” (2 Tim 3:13–17)

## Jesus, Our “White—ousness!”

“These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them **white** in the **blood** of the Lamb.” (Rev 7:14)

“For **God** so loved the world, that he **gave** his only begotten Son, that **whosoever believes** <sup>(th)</sup> in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.” (John 3:16)

“But without **faith** it is impossible to please him: for he that comes <sup>(th)</sup> to God must believe that he is, and that **He is a Rewarder of them that Diligently Seek Him**.” (Heb 11:6)

## Jesus, “I am the light of the world:

he that follows <sup>(eth)</sup> me shall not walk in darkness but shall have the **light** of life—\*As long as I am in the world, I am the **light** of the world—believe in the **light**, that ye may be the children of **light**.” (John 8:12; 9:5; 12:36)

**Paul**, “The Lord commanded us, saying, \*I have set you <sup>(thee)</sup> to be a **light** of the Gentiles, That you <sup>(thou)</sup> should <sup>(est)</sup> be for **salvation** unto the ends of the earth.” (Acts 13:47)

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# WHO IS JESUS ?

Apostle Paul to the Christians – Followers of Jesus

“Beware and fear that <sup>(lest)</sup> any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ.

*For in him dwells <sup>(eth)</sup> all the fulness of the Godhead bodily.*

“And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power: In whom also ye are circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, in putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ: Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with him through the faith of the operation of God, who has <sup>(th)</sup> raised him from the dead. And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, has <sup>(th)</sup> he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses; Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross; And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a show <sup>(e)</sup> of them openly, triumphing over them in it.” (Col. 2:8–15)

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