



MARKED FOR GLORY

Marked for Glory Through Prophecy

MARK 8:27-30; LUKE 2:21-38

I. Jesus was _____ by the prophets.

- A. Prophecy is an inspired message of a prophet, a prediction of something to come.
- B. A prophet is a mediator or spokesman between God and man who has the capacity to receive and speak truth given by direct revelation from God.
- C. Jesus' birth was foretold and anticipated by the prophets. *(Is 7:14; Matt 1:22-23; Mic 5:2; Matt 2:5-6)*

II. Jesus was _____ by Simeon (a prophet) as "the Lord's Messiah." *(Lk 2:21-35)*

- A. Simeon was a righteous and devout man. *(vv. 25-28)*
- B. Simeon authenticates by revelation of the Holy Spirit that Jesus is the Messiah. *(vv. 29-33)*
- C. Simeon reveals that Jesus will be the centerpiece of contention. *(vv. 34-35)*

III. Jesus was _____ by Anna (a prophetess) as the Redeemer. *(Lk 2:36-38)*

JESUS IS UNIQUE BECAUSE HE IS THE FULFILLMENT OF PROPHECY.

Application

**WHAT YOU THINK ABOUT JESUS IMPACTS HOW YOU LIVE.
HOW WILL YOU RESPOND?**

God is able to work when we are _____ to His Word.

The Spirit is able to lead when we are _____ upon His timing.

The people are able to hear when we are _____ to following Him.

HOME GROUP LESSON

"Now these prophecies were either given by inspiration of God or the prophets just wrote them as they thought they should be. In such a case the prophets had just one chance in 10¹⁷ of having them come true in any man, but they all came true in Christ. This means that the fulfillment of these eight prophecies alone proves that God inspired the writing of these prophecies to a definiteness which lacks only one chance in 10¹⁷ of being absolute."

PETER STONER, *Science Speaks*, referring to eight prophecies concerning Jesus:

born in Bethlehem preceded by a messenger enter Jerusalem on a donkey betrayed by a friend betrayer paid 30 pieces of silver betrayal money used to buy potter's field silent before accusers hands and feet pierced and death among criminals

1 person fulfilling 8 prophecies: 1 in 100,000,000,000,000,000 (10¹⁷)

1 person fulfilling 48 prophecies: 1 chance in 10¹⁵⁷

For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

1 PETER 1:21

1. Why would the question *WHO DO YOU SAY JESUS IS?* be a crucial one for any religion? How do the prophecies concerning Jesus make Him unique?

2. Read Luke 2:22-40. Note the differences in the lives of Simeon and Anna, yet both had the same priorities. What ultimately mattered the most to them? How did God reward them during their life on Earth?

3. Would you say that life holds for you one single, dominating purpose? Why or why not?

4. How can a Christian who has felt disappointed in waiting on God develop an attitude of expectant hope like Simeon and Anna?

5. What you think about Jesus impacts the way you live—and the way you face death. How eager are you to see the Messiah face to face? Do you consider your own death with fear or in faith? How can a Christian who fears death overcome that fear?

OLD TESTAMENT PROPHECIES LITERALLY FULFILLED IN JESUS' BIRTH

OT PROPHECY	NT FULFILLMENT
Be offspring of woman; bruise serpent's head <i>Gen 3:14, 15</i>	<i>Gal 4:4; Heb 2:14; 1 Jn 3:8</i>
All nations blessed through Abraham <i>Gen 12:3, 18:17-18, 22:18; 26:4, 28:14</i>	<i>Acts 3:25-26; Matt 1:1, 17; Gal 3:16</i>
Of tribe of Judah <i>Gen 49:8-10; Mic 5:2</i>	<i>Matt 1:1-3; Heb 7:14; Rev 5:5</i>
Born in Bethlehem <i>Mic 5:2-5</i>	<i>Matt 2:1-6</i>
A king in David's line <i>Is 9:7; 2 Sam 7:12-13; Jer 23:5</i>	<i>Matt 1:1; Lk 1:32; Acts 13:22-23</i>
A child to be born <i>Is 9:6</i>	<i>Lk 2:11</i>
Be born of a virgin <i>Is 7:13-14</i>	<i>Matt 1:18-23; Lk 1:26-35</i>
Kings give Him gifts, fall down before Him <i>Ps 72:10-11</i>	<i>Matt 2:1-11</i>
Of the seed of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob <i>Gen 17:7-8, 19, 21:12, 26:2-4; 28:13-14; Ex 13:2; Num 3:13, 8:17, 24:17, 19</i>	<i>Matt 1:1-2, 17; Lk 1:33, 3:23-38; Rom 9:7; Gal 3:16; Heb 2:16, 11:17-19</i>
Rod of stem of Jesse <i>Is 11:1-2</i>	<i>Matt 1:6; Acts 13:22-23</i>
Massacre of children <i>Jer 31:15</i>	<i>Matt 2:16-18</i>
Have eternal existence <i>Mic 5:2</i>	<i>Jn 1:1, 4, 8:58; Col 1:15-19</i>

6. The APPLICATION section of the sermon asks how you will respond in light of what you think of Jesus. In which of the three areas is God prompting a response from you this week?

God is able to work when we are *obedient* to His Word.

The Spirit is able to lead when we are *dependent* upon His timing.

The people are able to hear when we are *dedicated* to following Him.

COMING UP AT CHRIST CHAPEL

Here's a glimpse at what you need to know for this week. Like to plan ahead a little more? Pick up a copy of *The Source* at a stand around campus or near the exits, or visit www.cbcfamily.org/events. They're your source for everything going on at Christ Chapel.

TEXT "CCBCGROW" FOR NEXT STEPS. If you've found a place to serve at Christ Chapel or in the community, your next step is to dig in and grow! There are some fantastic events and classes coming up. Text "CCBCGrow" to 555-888 for the list.

THE ADULT BAPTISM CLASS IS TODAY AT 12:30 P.M. Are you ready to get baptized? Come to today's class in the Link Conference Room and learn why it's an important step in your relationship with God. Questions? Email Hailee at HaileeS@christchapelbc.org.

THERE'S A YOUNG COUPLES HANGOUT TOMORROW, FEB. 11. If you're a young couple looking for community, join us! There will be food and games happening from 7 to 9 p.m. Visit the CCBC Young Couples Facebook page to learn more.

LADIES, "EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE" IS THIS TUESDAY, FEB. 12. Ever wish you had more wisdom for your relationships? The Women in the Workplace Ministry invites you to a night all about gaining wisdom for how to know if your emotions are in line with what's best for you and what God says is right. We'll gather in the Oak Room at 6:30 p.m. Register for dinner (\$10) at www.cbcfamily.org/events.

SINGLE MOMS, OASIS IS THIS FRIDAY, FEB. 15. Come build community and have a night off. Starting at 7 p.m. we'll have dinner and a fun painting class in The Den. We'll take care of dinner and the kids so you can focus on having fun. Email Kristin at KristinH@christchapelbc.org for more info and to RSVP.

MEN, SERVE WITH MANPOWER THIS SATURDAY, FEB. 16. ManPower works in teams to serve the widows and single moms of Christ Chapel by helping with jobs and projects around the house. If you'd like to serve, email ManPower@christchapelbc.org.

TA ETHNE MISSIONS LUNCH IS NEXT SUNDAY, FEB. 17. Come hear from Jackie B., one of the newest members of our missions team! Over lunch you'll learn about her work in a predominantly Islamic East Asian country. We'll meet at 12:30 p.m. in the Oak Room. RSVP for Kids Care (available for ages 0 to 11) at www.cbcfamily.org/KidsRSVP by tomorrow, Feb. 11.

SIGN UP FOR A NEW SOUL CARE GROUP. We all want to become more of the person God made us to be—that's why Soul Care is offering a number of groups to help us dig in and grow. Whether it's fear and anxiety, anger, loneliness, bitterness or sexual redemption, there may be a group right for you. Visit www.cbcscsoulcare.org to read more and sign up. All groups begin Thursday, Feb. 21.