

Study No. 4 - The Life of Jesus Christ

Jesus Christ was born of a virgin in Bethlehem. His birth was honoured by shepherds, angels and wise men, but soon after this, His mother and foster father removed Him to Egypt to escape the wicked attempt by the king of Israel to have him killed. When this king died, He was brought to the town of Nazareth, where he grew up to adulthood.

He probably lived as a carpenter till the age of thirty, when He was inaugurated as the long-expected Messiah. He then journeyed through Israel, confirming His identity by His miracles and teachings. At the same time, He prepared a group of twelve men to continue His work after He left this world.



He submitted Himself to become the victim of a cruel plot in which He was arrested, falsely charged, unjustly sentenced and then executed by being nailed to a wooden cross, suffering a most excruciating death. Although he was securely buried, He emerged alive and well after three days, just as He had predicted. He then went back to heaven, promising to return to this world one day.

The life of Christ can be studied from several aspects:

I. Prophecies About His Life

Look up the following verses in your Bible and write down the aspect of Christ's life that was prophesied in them:

- 1. Isaiah 7:14 (about 700 years Before Christ) – fulfillment: Matthew 1:18,23

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- 2. Micah 5:2 (about 700 B.C.) – fulfillment: Matthew 2:1,6.....

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- 3. Hosea 11:1 (about 710 B.C.) – fulfillment: Matthew 2:14,15.....

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- 4. Zechariah 9:9 (about 500 B.C.) – fulfillment: John 12:13,14.....

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- 5. Psalm 41:9 (about 1000 B.C.) – fulfillment: Mark 14:10.....

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6. Psalm 22:1,7,8,16,18 (about 1000 B.C.) – fulfillment: Matthew 27:46,43,35

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7. Isaiah 53:4-6 (about 700 B.C.) – fulfillment: 2 Corinthians 5:21, 1 Peter 2:24

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8. Psalm 16:10 (about 1000 B.C.) – fulfillment: Acts 2:31

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These are only a few of the many prophecies in the Old Testament which Jesus fulfilled.

II. His Claims

Describe in your own words, what claims Jesus made in each of the following verses:

1. Matthew 28:18

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2. John 14:6.....

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3. Mark 13:31.....

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4. Matthew 16:15-17.....

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5. John 20:28,29.....

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III. His Miracles

Give a short title to the miracle described in each of the following sets of verses:

1. Matthew 9:27-31.....

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2. Luke 7:11-17.....
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3. Luke 9:10-17.....
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4. Matthew 8:23-27.....
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5. John 6:16-21
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IV. His Promises

What needs did Jesus promise to meet in the following verses?

1. John 14:27.....
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2. Matthew 11:28.....
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3. John 10:10.....
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Conclusion:

- His Life fulfilled all the prophecies that God had given about the coming Messiah and Saviour of the world.
- His Claims were straightforward claims that no one could deny.
- His Miracles were unprecedented and demonstrated His power over nature, men and spirits.
- His Promises showed that He is the answer to man's need for life, peace and spiritual rest.

Now that you have studied the life of Jesus, it is up to you now to respond to His question:

“Who do you say that I am?”

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Assignment:

1. If you have filled in the blanks on this sheet, **submit it** so that you will receive **Study No.5 - “The Death of Jesus Christ”**
2. Memorise this verse: “*Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by Me.*” (John 14:6)

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