

CHRISTMAS

Prophecies Of The Birth Of Jesus

Why are the prophecies of Jesus' birth important?

1) Validate God's faithfulness to His promises

Psalm 145:13 - Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures through all generations. The Lord is trustworthy in all he promises and faithful in all he does.

This gives us hope for the future

2) Verify that Jesus is the promised Messiah

Five Prophecies Of Jesus' Birth Matthew 1-2

1) Born of a virgin Matthew 1:18-23

Isaiah 7:14 - Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel.



2) Born in Bethlehem Matthew 2:1-6

Micah 5:2,4 - But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are small among the clans of Judah, out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times. ⁴ He will stand and shepherd his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God.

3) He spent His infancy in Egypt Matthew 2:13-15

Hosea 11:1 - When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son.



4) He was the target of infanticide Matthew 2:16-18

Jeremiah 31:15 - This is what the Lord says: "A voice is heard in Ramah, mourning and great weeping, Rachel weeping for her children and refusing to be comforted, because they are no more."



5) He would be raised in Nazareth and be despised and rejected. Matthew 2:19-23

Isaiah 11:1 - A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse; from his roots a Branch will bear fruit.

Isaiah 53:3 - He was despised and rejected by mankind, a man of suffering, and familiar with pain. Like one from whom people hide their faces he was despised, and we held him in low esteem.

