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 The Prophets Announced the Messiah King (Jesus Fulfilled Hundreds of Old Testament Prophecies)

Genesis 3:15 Genesis 12:3 Genesis 17:19 **Numbers 24:17** Genesis 49:10 Isaiah 9:7 Psalms 45:6-7 & Psalm 102:25-27 The seed of a woman **Descendant of Abraham Descendant of Isaac Descendant of Jacob** From the tribe of Judah Heir to the throne of David **Anointed and eternal**

Micah 5:2 Born in Bethlehem Isaiah 7:14 Born of a virgin Jeremiah 31:15 Trigger a slaughter of children Hosea 11:1 Come out of Egypt

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II. The Preparation of the King (Matthew 1-4)

A. His birth was marked with majesty:

- 1. His ancestry was of a <u>ROYAL</u> line.
 - a. The King had to come from Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.
- 2. He was born from a <u>VIRGIN</u>.
- 3. The <u>ANGELS</u> announced his birth.
- 4. The heavenly <u>STAR</u> provided guidance.
- 5. <u>WISE MEN</u> followed the star to the place Jesus was born.

B. His <u>BAPTISM</u> was marked with majesty.

- 1. John the Baptist recognized <u>JESUS</u> as the Messiah.
- 2. The dove representing the <u>HOLY SPIRIT</u> descended upon Jesus.
- 3. The heavens opened, and GOD spoke.

C. His <u>TEMPTATION</u> was marked with majesty.

- 1. He was <u>TEMPTED</u> by Satan.
- 2. He gave in to no temptation.
- 3. His sinless nature was revealed.

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III. The Preaching and Power of the King (Matthew 5-25)

A. There are <u>FIVE</u> major sermons in Matthew.

- 1. The Sermon on the Mount, in chapters 5-7, introduced the new kingdom.
- 2. It included the Beatitudes and the Lord's <u>PRAYER</u>.
- 3. <u>INSTRUCTIONS</u> for the disciples are in chapter 10.
- 4. The <u>PARABLES</u> of the kingdom are in chapter 13.

- The terms for discipleship are in chapter 18.
- 6. The great <u>OLIVET</u> discourse is in chapters 24-25.

- B. His <u>POWER</u> proved His kingship.
 - 1. Jesus has power over **DISEASE**.
 - 2. Jesus has power over <u>NATURE</u>.
 - 3. Jesus has power over DEATH.

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IV. The Predictions of the King (Matthew 24-25)

A. The King's return is sure and imminent.
B. Outward signs of the end of the age:

There will be <u>FALSE</u> prophets.
There will be famine and <u>EARTHQUAKES</u>.

Believers will be <u>PERSECUTED</u>.

C. Kingdom citizens' response should be:

- 1. Don't be <u>AFRAID</u>.
- 2. <u>PRAY</u>.
- 3. <u>KNOW</u> the Word; know the signs.
- 4. Be <u>ALERT</u>.
- 5. <u>SERVE</u> God in an acceptable way.
- 6. Be prepared in the face of unexpected <u>DELAY</u>.
- 7. <u>ENDURE</u> to the end.

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V. The Passion of the King (Matthew 26-28)

- A. The death of the King was marked with majesty.
 - 1. <u>SIGN</u> above head identified Jesus as King.
 - <u>DARKNESS</u> covered the land from noon to 3:00 PM.
 - 3. The veil in the temple was torn in two.
 - 4. An <u>EARTHQUAKE</u> occurred, and many saints came out of their tombs.

B. Christ's <u>RESURRECTION</u> proved He was God and King above all kings!

Mark

The Book of Jesus is Servant



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I. The Servant's Service: Jesus Came Not To Be Served But To Serve (Mark 1-10).

- A. Mark introduced Jesus as He began His ministry as God's <u>SERVANT</u> (Mark 1:1-13).
 - 1. His appearance was very <u>TIMELY</u>.
 - 2. John baptized Jesus and God <u>COMMISSIONED</u> Him.
 - 3. Jesus immediately was impelled to a time of <u>TEMPTATION</u>.

- B. Jesus was received with great enthusiasm initially as He compassionately <u>SERVED</u> the needy (Mark 1:14-6:56).
 - 1. Jesus' ministry began with preaching <u>REPENTANCE</u>.
 - 2. Jesus <u>HEALED</u> Peter's mother-in-law.
 - 3. Jesus felt the need to first be <u>ENERGIZED</u> and given directions by His Father.

- 4. Jesus had to go into <u>UNPOPULATED</u> areas.
- 5. Four men took their FRIEND to Jesus.
- 6. Jesus <u>WORKED</u> on the Sabbath by healing a man's withered hand.
- Jesus began to display <u>POWER</u> never seen before.
- 8. Jesus was loved by the multitudes but He was <u>REJECTED</u> by his own family.
- 9. Jesus tirelessly <u>FED</u> thousands.

- C. Many in the multitudes rejected Jesus' teaching, as they were seeking an earthly KING, not a heavenly Servant (Mark 7-10). 1. Jesus began to teach really hard TRUTHS. 2. The Pharisees started questioning Him and set traps, but Jesus boldly answered every question and accused them of SIN.
 - 3. Jesus began to teach of what would come: His <u>SUFFERING</u>.

 Jesus continued to serve the people by <u>TEACHING</u> them.

5. Jesus asked, "What can I DO for you?"

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II. The Servant's Sacrifice and Success: Jesus Came to Give His Life as a Ransom for Many (Mark 11-16).

- A. God's sinless Servant became the supreme <u>SACRIFICE</u> as He chose to go to Jerusalem and face the suffering of the cross (Mark 11:1-14:42).
 - 1. On Sunday: He arrived on a DONKEY.
 - 2. On Monday: He cursed a fig tree and <u>CLEANSED</u> the temple for the second time.
 - 3. On Tuesday: He taught on the <u>GREATEST</u> commandment and the future.

- 4. On Wednesday: He <u>DINED</u> with friends and praised Mary.
- On Thursday: He was alone with His disciples in the Upper Room, celebrated Passover with them, went to Gethsemane, prayed, and was betrayed and <u>ARRESTED</u>.
- 6. On Friday: He was accused, tried and found guilty, abused, and <u>CRUICIFIED</u>.

- B. Jesus performed His final act as a <u>SERVANT</u> as He gave his life (Mark 14:43-15:47).
- C. Jesus rose from the grave, appeared to many, and ascended to His rightful place in heaven after <u>COMPLETING</u> His work as God's perfect Servant (Mark 16).

Luke

The Book of Jesus is Man



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I. The History Behind the Gospel of Luke

- A. Luke was a **DOCTOR** and missionary.
- B. Luke wrote the gospel of Luke and the book of <u>ACTS</u>.
- C. Luke portrayed <u>WOMEN</u> with honor.

Luke: The Book of Jesus is Man

II. The Perfect Man Came to Seek Lost Men (Luke 1:1-19:27).

A. The Son of Man <u>IDENTIFIED</u> with men.

- 1. Jesus' birth and early childhood pointed to His <u>HUMANNESS</u>.
- 2. Jesus' baptism and temptation emphasized his <u>MANHOOD</u>.
- 3. Jesus' genealogy through Mary is traced to the first <u>MAN</u>, Adam.

B. The Son of Man <u>MINISTERED</u> to men.

- 1. Jesus <u>PREACHED</u>.
- 2. Jesus did <u>MIRACLES</u>.
- 3. Jesus <u>TRAINED</u> the Twelve.

C. The Son of Man was <u>REJECTED</u> by men.

- 1. Jesus was rejected by <u>SAMARIA</u> and earlier by Nazareth.
- 2. Jesus was rejected by the JEWISH leaders.
- 3. Jesus taught through <u>PARABLES</u>.
 - a. Jesus showed the importance of <u>PRAYER</u> through stories.
 - b. Jesus explained His mission through the "<u>LOST AND FOUND</u>" illustrations.

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III. The Perfect Man Came to Save Lost Men (Luke 19:28-24:53). A. The Son of Man <u>SUFFERED</u> for men.

- 1. The Last Week
 - a. Sunday: Jesus <u>TRIUMPHANTLY</u> entered Jerusalem.
 - b. Monday: Jesus <u>CLEARED</u> the temple.
 - c. Tuesday: Jesus <u>TAUGHT</u> the people.
 - d. Thursday: Jesus celebrated Passover and was <u>BETRAYED</u> and arrested.
 - e. Friday: Jesus was denied, beaten, tried, and <u>CRUCIFIED</u>, died and was buried.

- B. The Son of Man was <u>VALIDATED</u> before men.
 - 1. The Resurrection
 - a. Sunday: Jesus left behind an <u>EMPTY</u> grave.
 - b. Sunday: Jesus appeared on the road to <u>EMMAUS</u>.
 - c. Sunday: Jesus appeared to the <u>ELEVEN</u>.
 2. The Ascension: Jesus gave His final instructions.

John The Book of Jesus is God



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I. That You May Believe Signs and Witnesses (John 1-12)

- A. The Word was God, and the <u>WORD</u> (God) became flesh.
- B. We must <u>RECEIVE</u> Jesus and <u>BELIEVE</u> in Him.
- C. <u>WITNESSES</u> said Jesus is God.
- D. Jesus performed <u>MIRACLES</u> (signs) to prove He is God.

- 1. Jesus changed water into wine.
 - People need to be <u>CHANGED</u>.
 Nicodemus (the religious and moral) and the Samaritan woman (the ungodly and immoral) both needed spiritual life.
 - b. Response: <u>MANY</u> believed in Jesus.
- 2. Jesus healed a man who had been sick for thirty-eight years.

 Jesus said God was His Father – making Himself equal with God.

- b. Response: The Jews sought to <u>KILL</u> Jesus.
- 3. Jesus fed the five thousand.
 - Jesus said, "I am the living <u>BREAD</u>...if
 anyone eats of this bread, he will live
 forever" (John 6:51).
 - b. Response: <u>SOME</u> believed; some did not.

4. Jesus forgave a woman caught in adultery.
a. Jesus said, "I am the <u>LIGHT</u> of the world" (John 8:12); therefore, we don't have to walk in darkness (sin) anymore.

 b. Response: The Jews said, "You (Jesus) have a <u>DEMON</u>" (John 8:52).

5. Jesus healed a man born blind.

- a. Jesus said He came that the blind might <u>SEE</u>.
- b. Response: There was <u>DIVISION</u> among them.
- 6. Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead.
 - a. Jesus said, "I am the <u>RESURRECTION</u> and the life; he who believes in Me will live even if he dies" (John 11:25).

 Response: The chief priests wanted to kill Lazarus because he was a witness that Jesus is God.

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II. That You May Be Prepared: Upper Room Conference (John 13-17)

- A. Jesus said He was leaving to prepare a <u>PLACE</u> for us.
- B. Jesus said He was leaving us with <u>PRAYER</u>.
- C. Jesus said He was leaving us with the <u>POWER</u> of the Holy Spirit.

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III. That You May Have Life: Death and Resurrection (John 18-21)

- A. From the cross Jesus shouted, "It is <u>FINISHED</u>!" (John 19:30).
- B. After Jesus' resurrection, Thomas said, "My Lord and My <u>GOD</u>!" (John 20:28).
- C. This has been written that you might believe that Jesus is <u>GOD</u> and in believing have <u>LIFE</u> in His name.

Acts

The Book of Church is Born



 You Shall Be My Witnesses in Jerusalem – AD 33-35 (Acts 1-7).

- A. The Holy Spirit was given on Pentecost, and that signaled the birth of the <u>CHURCH</u>.
- B. The initial church was composed mainly of <u>JEWS</u>.
- C. Peter's powerful <u>SERMON</u> brought multitudes to a saving faith in Jesus Christ.
- D. <u>STEPHEN</u> became the first Christian martyr.

II. You Shall Be My Witnesses in All Judea and Samaria – AD 35-48 (Acts 8-12).

- A. <u>PERSECUTION</u> against the church scattered the believers to parts of Judea and Samaria.
- B. <u>PHILIP</u> took the gospel to Samaria.
- C. <u>SAUL</u> was converted on the road to Damascus.
- D. God gave Peter a vision that opened the door for the conversion of the <u>GENTILES</u>.
- E. The church was established at Antioch, and believers were called <u>CHRISTIANS</u>.

F. <u>JAMES</u> was martyred in Jerusalem, and <u>PETER</u> was delivered from prison by an angel.

III. You Shall Be My Witnesses To The Remotest Part of the Earth – AD 48-57 (Acts 13-21:16)

- A. The first missionary journey took Paul and Barnabas to the cities in <u>GALATIA</u> (April 48 to September 49).
 - 1. During this time the book of <u>GALATIANS</u> was written by Paul.
 - 2. The Jerusalem Council took place after this trip and determined that <u>GENTILES</u> need not submit to the law of Moses.

 B. The second missionary journey took Paul and Silas to Galatia, Macedonia, and Greece (April 50 to September 52)

1. During this time Paul wrote 1 and 2 <u>THESSALONIANS</u>.

- C. The third missionary journey took Paul to Ephesus, Macedonia, and Greece (Spring 53 to May 57).
 - 1. Three of these years were spent in <u>EPHESUS</u>.
 - 2. During this trip Paul wrote 1 and 2 Corinthians and <u>ROMANS</u>.

IV. Paul was Arrested in Jerusalem and Sent to <u>Rome</u> – AD 57-62 (Acts 21:17-28). A. He was placed under <u>HOUSE ARREST</u>.

- 1. During this time Paul wrote Ephesians, Colossians, Philemon, and <u>PHILIPPIANS</u>.
- 2. Acts ends abruptly with Paul in Rome.