

# ***THE GOSPEL STORY:***

## ***What Do The Prophecies of the Death, Burial & Resurrection of Jesus Really Mean?***

Introduction: The prophecies of the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus are quite astonishing! However, they were not convincing to many of the Jewish leaders. They were under the domination of the repressive Romans and were looking for a Messiah to deliver them from the hands of the occupying forces. They were looking for a man of war to lead them in an uprising, not a man of peace and love. They totally overlooked the prophecies and missed the greatest blessings God has ever provided to man. They lived in the time when amazing things were happening but they ignored it. What does that mean? Let's study the prophecies together....

### Discussion:

- *The Messiah would be rejected by Jews and rulers*
  - Psalm 118:22, Matthew 21:42
- *The Messiah would be betrayed for thirty pieces of silver by one of His disciples*
  - Zechariah 11:12, Psalm 55:12-13, Matthew 26:14-50
- *The Messiah's blood money would be used to buy the Potters field*
  - Zechariah 11:13, Matthew 27:6-8
- *The Messiah would be silent before His accusers*
  - Isaiah 53:7, Matthew 27:12-14
- *The Messiah would be mocked by His accusers*
  - Psalm 22:7-8, Matthew 27:27-29
- *The Messiah would be beaten and spat upon by the crowd*
  - Micah 5:1, Isaiah 50:6, Mark 15:19, Matthew 27:30-31
- *The Messiah would be painfully scourged by the soldiers*
  - Isaiah 53:5, Matthew 27:26
- *The Messiah would have His hands and His feet pierced*
  - Psalm 22:16, Matthew 27:31

- *The Messiah would be crucified with thieves*
  - Isaiah 53:12, Mark 15:27–28
- *The Messiah would pray for His persecutors*
  - Isaiah 53:12, Psalms 109:4, Luke 23:34
- *The Messiah would have His side pierced*
  - Zechariah 12:10, John 19:34
- *The Messiah would be given gall and vinegar to drink*
  - Psalm 69:21, John 19:28-29
- *The Messiah would suffer no broken (crushed) bones*
  - Psalm 34:20, John 19:32-33, 36
- *The Messiah would watch as the soldiers cast lots for His garments*
  - Psalm 22:18, John 19:23-24
- *The Messiah would temporarily be buried in a rich man's tomb*
  - Isaiah 53:9, Matthew 27:57-60
- *The Messiah would raise from the dead on the third day*
  - Psalm 16:10, 30:3, 49:15, Isaiah 53:8-11, Matthew 28:1-9, Mark 16:6-7, Acts 2:31
- *The Messiah would ascend into Heaven and sit at the right hand of the Father*
  - Psalm 68:18, 110:1, Acts 1:9, I Corinthians 15:4, Ephesians 4:8

Conclusion: Clearly this was a pre-planned event. Heaven had been looking forward to these events for a long time. Praise the Lord that Jesus was died, rose, and ascended on high. Imagine what you would learn if you studied the 300+ prophecies of how He was born, lived, and taught! The sad part of the gospel story is that some rejected it. Some ignored it. And, only a few accepted it, at first. Now the world knows the story. You know the gospel story. How will you respond to it? What will you do with the story of Jesus?