

The Life of Christ A-Z

Kin Kickout: Hometown Boy Made (Them) Good (and Mad)

ANGELS ANNOUNCE (The Pregnancy)

Luke 1:26-38/Matthew 1:18-25

BIRTH in BETHLEHEM (ala Micah 5:2)

Luke 2:1-7

CARPENTRY CAREER (in Nazareth)

Matthew 2:23/Mark 6:3

DOVE DESCENDS (The Baptism)

Matthew 3:1-17/Luke 3:21-23

ENEMY ENTICES (The Temptation)

Matthew 4:1-11/Luke 4:1-13

FIRST FOLLOWERS ("Japan")

John 1:35-51

GREAT GUESTS (1st Miracle: Water to Wine)

John 2:1-11

HARSH HOUSECLEANING (of the Temple)

John 2:13-22

INCREDIBLE INTERVIEW (w/Nicodemus)

John 3:1-21

JIVE at JACOB'S WELL (w/Samaritan Woman)

John 4:1-42

KIN KICKOUT (of Nazareth)

Luke 4:16-30

LOCATION LATERALED (to Capernaum)

Matthew 4:13-16

MARVELLOUS MESSAGE (Sermon on

Matthew 5:1-7:29 the Mount)

NATURE NEUTRALIZED ("Sign" Miracles)

Matthew 8:1-12:13

OPPOSITION OFFERED (No More "Signs")

Matthew 12:14-45/Mark 3:22-30

PARABLES PROPHECY (InterAdvent Period)

Matthew 13:1-52

QUIZICAL QUESTIONS (Who Am I?)

Matthew 16:13-20

REALITY REVEALED (The Transfiguration)

Matthew 17:1-13

STONING STOPPED (Jesus Claims Deity)

John 10:22-42

TOMB TRAUMATIZED (Raising of Lazarus)

John 11:1-53

UNDERSTANDABLE UPSET (of t/Temple)

Matthew 21:12-17/Mark 11:2-18

VISION OF VICTORY (Olivet Discourse)

Matthew 24:1-25:46

WASHING and WISDOM (Upper Room

John 13:1-17:26

Discourse)

eXPIATORY eXECUTION (The Atonement)

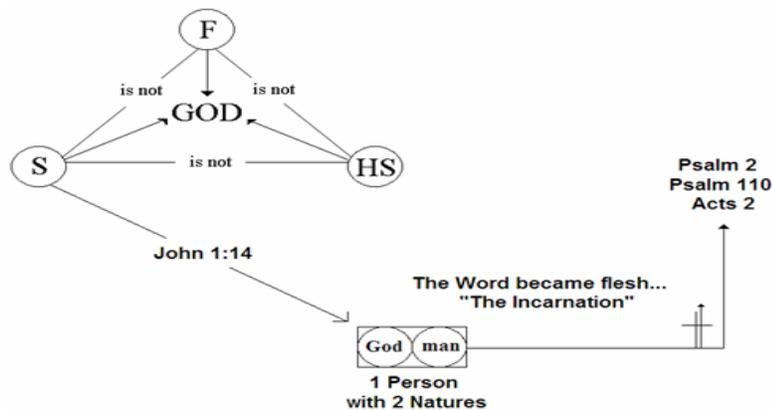
Matthew 27:27-66/John 19:17-42

YES! YEAH! (The Resurrection)

Matthew 28:1-15/John 20:1-21:25

ZAPPED from ZION (The Ascension)

Luke 24:50-53/Acts 1:6-11



In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God and the Word was God.....the Word became flesh and dwelt among us. John 1:1 and 1:14

Kin Kickout Luke 4:16-30

The Claims Jesus Made for Himself Led Some to Believe but Drove Others Batty

The Lord Enters the Synagogue in His Hometown of Nazareth and at Sabbath Services Reads from the Book of Isaiah v16-19

After the first Passover (30 AD) of His Ministry, Jesus returns to His Hometown. On Saturday/Sabbath morning, He went to the synagogue and was asked to do that morning's Scripture reading....which just so happened to be Isaiah 61!?!

Isaiah 61:1 an Old Testament verse that refers to all three Persons of the Trinity

God the Father: The LORD

God the Son: The Servant of the LORD

God the Holy Spirit: The Spirit of the LORD

The Lord Applies the Passage Directly to Himself v20-27

The procedure in the synagogue was: after the initial Scripture portion was read, the reader would share a word of explanation and/or exhortation from the passage. The Lord Jesus here does both in an incredibly concise and yet powerful way. He simply said: "Today, this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing!" IOWs: He was saying "I am the One quoted in Isaiah 61:1!" Don't miss this: Jesus was directly affirming that He was the Messiah/the Servant of the LORD as described by the Book of Isaiah.

Isaiah 53.....is the most famous of the "Servant Songs" in Isaiah

Isaiah 61.....connects the Father, the Son and the Spirit of God working together to get the Gospel to the spiritually poor (which includes everyone: both religious/moral unbelievers like Nicodemus-John 3: Letter I and irreligious/immoral unbelievers like the Woman at the Well-John 4: Letter J. Remember: all have sinned and come short of the glory of God...by the works of the Law no one will be justified in God's sight. Rom 3

Isaiah's prophecies about Jesus are so clear/direct that until the discovery of the Dead Sea Scrolls (in the late 1940s), some liberal-critical scholars insisted those passages must have inserted into the text of Isaiah AFTER the ministry of Jesus. But NOBODY claims that anymore because the Dead Sea Scrolls contain a complete copy of the entire 66 chapters of the Book of Isaiah carbon dated to 150BC (which obviously contain both Chapter 53 and Chapter 61).

While the vast majority in the synagogue that day refused to believe Jesus was Who He claimed to be-the promised Messiah/Savior, they were ready to critique and second-guess how He was doing His ministry. In response, Jesus explains that the miracles He

had done in Jerusalem and in Samaria to benefit both Jews and Gentiles were of God and paralleled the work of the revered Old Testament prophets Elijah-(who ministered to a Gentile widow) and Elisha (who ministered to a Gentile leper).

The Lord is Rejected by Most of the People in the City v28-30

Tough Love! The Truth Hurts! The clear claims of Jesus and His biblical commentary supporting them only angered the self-righteous synagogue crowd even more. In a murderous rage, they took Jesus to the top of a large hill overlooking Nazareth (which we will stand on in May) so that they could throw Him down/kill Him. But then a major miracle took place (at the initiative of the Father // Ps 91:9-11 cited by Satan to tempt Jesus to force God to save Him as a function of presumption). While the mechanism is not explained, we know Jesus simply walked through the midst of the previously blood thirsty mob and “went His way” ...out of town!

Which leads us directly to our study next Sunday (Letter L: Location Lateralled)
“And He came down (from Nazareth) to Capernaum a city of Galilee...” Luke 4:31
Next week, we will look at the Matthew passage on this (4:12-25) “...and leaving Nazareth, He came and settled in Capernaum which is by the Sea, in the region of Zebulun and Naphtali.” (which was itself a fulfillment of Isaiah 9:1-2)

Take This To Heart

2000 years later, some rationalize their lack of interest in Christ with the claim “If I could only see Jesus in the flesh like the people in the Gospels did....then I would definitely become a Christian.” **How do you react to that? What would you say to that?**

That “Conviction” is Based on Two False Premises:

1: in actual fact only a few (a relatively small percentage of the) people who saw Jesus in the flesh trusted in Him as Savior for Everlasting Life/Forgiveness of Sins. (John 1:9-12).

2: God gives true “seekers” more than sufficient information to come to faith in Jesus Christ for salvation. Our general order (Matthew 28:19-20 calls on the C-Church to share the Gospel with people of all colors, countries and cultures. But if/when God must act more directly He can and will...nobody goes to Hell because Christians fail to clearly live and/or share the Gospel. That fact should NOT motivate us to go half-speed but it does reinforce the facts 1: salvation is of the LORD and 2: God cares more about the eternal status of people than even Billy Graham, Ron Miller or Brad McCoy do!

Rejection Is Not Someone
Wanting You Out of Their Life

Rejection Is Someone That God
Wanted Out of Your Future

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A Tale of Two Cities

Or Really

A Tale of One City Whose

Name Had Two Possible

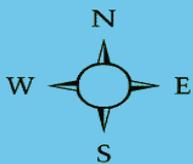
Pronunciations

A Tale of Two Cities

“Coupon, Idaho”



THE GREAT SEA
(MEDITERRANEAN SEA)



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Capernaum

Bethsaida

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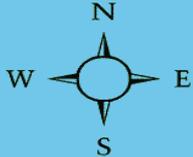
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Mt. Tabor ▲

Nazareth ✕

Nain ✕

DECAPOLIS

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SAMARIA

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Joppa ✕



Jericho ✕

PEREA

Emmaus ✕

Jerusalem ✕

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ARABIA



Bethlehem ✕

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Isaiah 61 is Read by LJC in Luke 4

God the Father

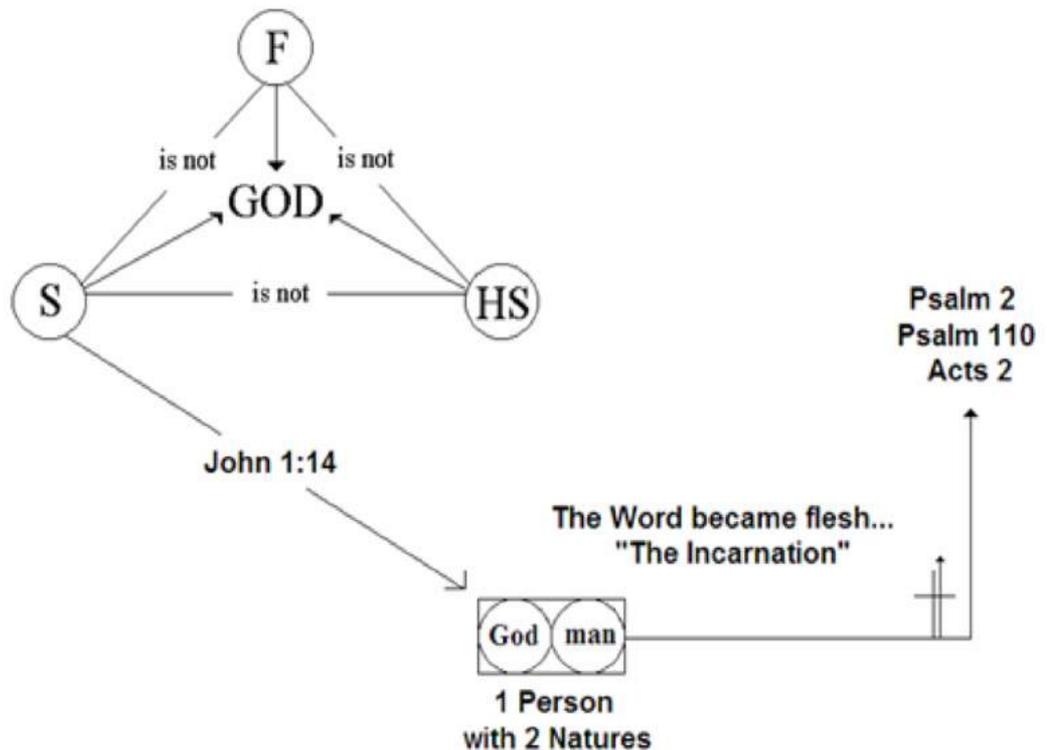
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God the Son

The Servant of the LORD

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Κυριος
Lord

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Jesus

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Χριστος
Christ

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corresponds
to the OT Word

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meaning
"God"

Title: God

corresponds
to the OT Word

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meaning
"God-Savior"

Human Name:
God-Savior

corresponds
to the OT Word

משיח

meaning
"Savior"

Title: Savior

Lord Jesus Christ = God-Man-Savior

2000 BC

430 BC



45 AD

96 AD

Genesis - Malachi

Matthew - Revelation

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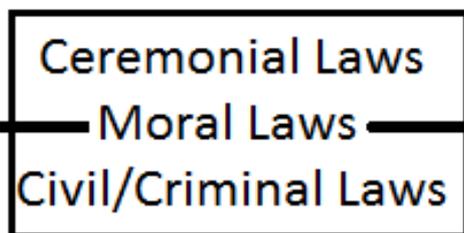
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The OT Law
Given to Israel



Christ is the End
of the Law

The OT Law
A Tutor to Lead Us to Christ

**Salvation is of
The Jews**

Who?

Gen 3:15
Gen 3:15
Gen 9:25-27
Gen 12:1-3
Gen 49: 10
2S 7:12-13
Isa 7:14

Human Being
Male
Semite
Abraham-Isaac-Jacob
Tribe of Judah
Family of David
Son of a Virgin

Where?

Specific Birthplace

Micah 5:2

Jesus of
Nazareth

When?

Specific TimeFrame

Dan 9:25-26

What?

He Will be Killed
and Later Est the Kingdom
He Will be Crucified

Dan 9:26

Psa 22:1-18

Why?

His Death Will be a
Substitutionary Atonement

Isa 53:4-11

b Phil 3:3

in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks to be His worshippers.

★4:24
a Phil 3:3

24 "God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship *in spirit and truth.*"

★4:25
a Dan 9:25;
John 1:41
b Matt 1:16;
27:17,22; Luke 2:11

25 The woman *said* to Him, "I know that *a* Messiah is coming (*b* He who is called Christ); when that One comes, He will declare all things to us."

★4:26
a John 8:24,28,
58; 9:37; 13:19

26 Jesus *said* to her, "*a* I who speak to you am *He.*"

4:27
a John 4:8

27 At this point His *a* disciples came, and they were amazed that He had been speaking with a

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her need as a sinner. The rabbis permitted two or three divorces at most, but this woman had exceeded that and was now living in adultery, unmarried to her present partner.

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BEFORE The Dead Sea Scrolls*
The Earliest HEBREW MSS of Isaiah
= 1000 AD

AFTER the Dead Sea Scrolls
The Earliest HEBREW MSS of Isaiah
= 150 BC

***Not Counting Translations/Citations**

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**“If I Could See Jesus in the Flesh Like
The People in MMLJ, Then....”**

**Fact 1: Most of the People in the Gospels
Who Saw Jesus Did NOT Receive Him**

**Fact 2: God Gives True “Seekers”
More Than Sufficient Information/Truth**