

Old Testament Prophecies Fulfilled In Jesus On The Day He Died

1. The Messiah's heel to be bruised.

Genesis 3:15 [NIV] *“And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel.”*

Jesus Crucified.

John 12:31-33 [NIV] *“Now is the time for judgment on this world; now the prince of this world will be driven out. But I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to myself.” He said this to show the kind of death he was going to die.”*

John 19:18 [NIV] *“Here they crucified him, and with him two others, one on each side and Jesus in the middle.”*

2. Betrayal by a friend.

Psalms 41:9 [NIV] *“Even my close friend, whom I trusted, he who shared my bread, has lifted up his heel against me.”*

Betrayal by Judas.

Mark 14:10 [NIV] *“Then Judas Iscariot, one of the Twelve, went to the chief priests to betray Jesus to them.”*

3. Desertion of the sheep.

Zechariah 13:7 [NIV] *“Awake, O sword, against my shepherd, against the man who is close to me!” declares the LORD Almighty. “Strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered, and I will turn my hand against the little ones.”*

Desertion by the disciples.

Mark 14:50 [NIV] *“Then everyone deserted him and fled.”*

Matthew 26:31 [NIV] *“Then Jesus told them, “This very night you will all fall away on account of me, for it is written: “I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.””*

4. Betrayal price foretold.

Zechariah 11:12 [NIV] *“I told them, “If you think it best, give me my pay; but if not, keep it.” So they paid me thirty pieces of silver.”*

Price paid by Judas.

Matthew 26:15 [NIV] *“and asked, “What are you willing to give me if I hand him over to you?” So they counted out for him thirty silver coins.”*

5. Use of the betrayal money.

Zechariah 11:13 [NIV] *“And the LORD said to me, “Throw it to the potter”, the handsome price at which they priced me! So I took the thirty pieces of silver and threw them into the house of the LORD to the potter.”*

Buying the Potter's field.

Matthew 27:3-7 [NIV] *“When Judas, who had betrayed him, saw that Jesus was condemned, he was seized with remorse and returned the thirty silver coins to the chief priests and the elders. “I have sinned,” he said, “for I have betrayed innocent blood.” “What is that to us?” they replied. “That’s your responsibility.” So Judas threw the money into the temple and left. Then he went*

away and hanged himself. The chief priests picked up the coins and said, "It is against the law to put this into the treasury, since it is blood money." So they decided to use the money to buy the potter's field as a burial place for foreigners."

6. The Messiah to be scourged.

Isaiah 50:6 [NIV] "I offered my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who pulled out my beard; I did not hide my face from mocking and spitting."

The scourging of Jesus.

Matthew 27:26,30 [NIV] "Then he released Barabbas to them. But he had Jesus flogged, and handed him over to be crucified." ... "They spat on him, and took the staff and struck him on the head again and again."

7. Shame to befall the Messiah.

Psalms 69:19 [NIV] "You know how I am scorned, disgraced and shamed; all my enemies are before you."

Jesus stripped naked.

Matthew 27:28 [NIV] "They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him,"

8. False witnesses testify.

Psalms 35:11 [NIV] "Ruthless witnesses come forward; they question me on things I know nothing about."

Christ falsely accused.

Mark 14:56 [NIV] "Many testified falsely against him, but their statements did not agree."

9. Parting of garments and casting lots.

Psalms 22:18 [NIV] "They divide my garments among them and cast lots for my clothing."

Soldiers cast lots for Christ's garments.

John 19:24 [NIV] "Let's not tear it," they said to one another. "Let's decide by lot who will get it." This happened that the scripture might be fulfilled which said, "They divided my garments among them and cast lots for my clothing." So this is what the soldiers did."

10. Silence before his accusers.

Isaiah 53:7 [NIV] "He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; he was led like a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth."

Jesus silent before Pilate.

Matthew 27:13-14 [NIV] "Then Pilate asked him, "Don't you hear the testimony they are bringing against you?" But Jesus made no reply, not even to a single charge, to the great amazement of the governor."

11. The Messiah's death.

Isaiah 53:5,6,10 [NIV] "But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed. We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all." ... "Yet it was the LORD's will to crush him and cause him to suffer, and though the LORD makes his life a guilt offering, he will see his offspring and prolong his days, and the will of the LORD will prosper in his hand."

Jesus's Crucifixion.

Luke 23:33 [NIV] *"When they came to the place called the Skull, there they crucified him, along with the criminals, one on his right, the other on his left."*

John 19:16 [NIV] *"Finally Pilate handed him over to them to be crucified. So the soldiers took charge of Jesus."*

12. The Messiah to thirst.

Psalms 22:15 [NIV] *"My strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth; you lay me in the dust of death."*

I thirst.

John 19:28 [NIV] *"Later, knowing that all was now completed, and so that the Scripture would be fulfilled, Jesus said, "I am thirsty."*

13. To be given vinegar to drink.

Psalms 69:21 [NIV] *"They put gall in my food and gave me vinegar for my thirst."*

Jesus given vinegar on the cross.

Matthew 27:34 [NIV] *"There they offered Jesus wine to drink, mixed with gall; but after tasting it, he refused to drink it."*

John 19:29 [NIV] *"A jar of wine vinegar was there, so they soaked a sponge in it, put the sponge on a stalk of the hyssop plant, and lifted it to Jesus' lips."*

14. The Messiah to be stared at.

Psalms 22:17 [NIV] *"I can count all my bones; people stare and gloat over me."*

People stared at Jesus on the cross.

Luke 23:49 [NIV] *"But all those who knew him, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things."*

15. The Messiah's hands and feet to be pierced.

Psalms 22:16 [NIV] *"Dogs have surrounded me; a band of evil men has encircled me, they have pierced my hands and my feet."*

Christ nailed to the cross.

John 20:25,27 [NIV] *"So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!" But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe it." ... "Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."*

16. The Messiah's side will be pierced.

Zechariah 12:10 [NIV] *"And I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit of grace and supplication. They will look on me, the one they have pierced, and they will mourn for him as one mourns for an only child, and grieve bitterly for him as one grieves for a firstborn son."*

Psalms 22:14 [NIV] *"I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint. My heart has turned to wax; it has melted away within me."*

A soldier pierces Jesus's side.

John 19:34 [NIV] *"Instead, one of the soldiers pierced Jesus' side with a spear, bringing a sudden flow of blood and water."*

Matthew 27:49 [NIV] *"The rest said, "Now leave him alone. Let's see if Elijah comes to save him."*

17. The Messiah's family and friends would watch.

Psalms 38:11 [NIV] *"My friends and companions avoid me because of my wounds; my neighbours stay far away."*

Jesus's mother and friends watched the crucifixion.

Luke 23:49 [NIV] *"But all those who knew him, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things."*

18. The Messiah to be mocked.

Psalms 22:7; 109:25 [NIV] *"All who see me mock me; they hurl insults, shaking their heads:" ... "I am an object of scorn to my accusers; when they see me, they shake their heads."*

Christ mocked on the cross.

Matthew 27:39-40 [NIV] *"Those who passed by hurled insults at him, shaking their heads and saying, "You who are going to destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! Come down from the cross, if you are the Son of God!"*

19. The mob mockingly called God to deliver the Messiah.

Psalms 22:8 [NIV] *"He trusts in the LORD; let the LORD rescue him. Let him deliver him, since he delights in him."*

The mob mockingly called for Jesus to be delivered.

Matthew 27:43 [NIV] *"He trusts in God. Let God rescue him now if he wants him, for he said, 'I am the Son of God.'"*

20. The Messiah would be the Passover lamb.

Isaiah 53:7 [NIV] *"He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; he was led like a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth."*

Jesus the lamb of God.

John 1:29 [NIV] *"The next day John saw Jesus coming towards him and said, "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!"*

1 Peter 1:19 [NIV] *"but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect."*

1 Corinthians 5:7 [NIV] *"Get rid of the old yeast that you may be a new batch without yeast, as you really are. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed."*

21. The Messiah to intercede for transgressors.

Isaiah 53:12 [NIV] *"Therefore I will give him a portion among the great, and he will divide the spoils with the strong, because he poured out his life unto death, and was numbered with the transgressors. For he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors."*

Jesus asks for forgiveness for those murdering him.

Luke 23:34 [NIV] *"Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." And they divided up his clothes by casting lots."*

22. The Messiah to be forsaken.

Psalms 22:1 [NIV] *"My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from saving me, so far from the words of my groaning?"*

Jesus forsaken by the Father on the cross.

Matthew 27:46 [NIV] *"About the ninth hour Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?", which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"*

23. The Messiah's body to be brutalised.

Isaiah 52:14 [NIV] *“Just as there were many who were appalled at him, his appearance was so disfigured beyond that of any man and his form marred beyond human likeness”*

Psalms 22:17 [NIV] *“I can count all my bones; people stare and gloat over me.”*

Jesus's body beaten.

Matthew 27:26 [NIV] *“Then he released Barabbas to them. But he had Jesus flogged, and handed him over to be crucified.”*

John 19:1 [NIV] *“Then Pilate took Jesus and had him flogged.”*

24. The Messiah's last words foretold.

Psalms 22:31 [NIV] *“They will proclaim his righteousness to a people yet unborn, for he has done it.”*

[The Hebrew can read *‘It is finished’*]

Christ's last words *‘It is finished’*.

John 19:30 [NIV] *“When he had received the drink, Jesus said, “It is finished.” With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.”*

25. The Messiah will commit his spirit to the Father.

Psalms 31:5 [NIV] *“Into your hands I commit my spirit; redeem me, O LORD, the God of truth.”*

Jesus committed His spirit to the Father.

Luke 23:46 [NIV] *“Jesus called out with a loud voice, “Father, into your hands I commit my spirit.” When he had said this, he breathed his last.”*

26. The Messiah's bones would not be broken.

Psalms 34:20 [NIV] *“he protects all his bones, not one of them will be broken.”*

Exodus 12:46 [NIV] *“It must be eaten inside one house; take none of the meat outside the house. Do not break any of the bones.”*

Christ's legs not broken.

John 19:33,36 [NIV] *“But when they came to Jesus and found that he was already dead, they did not break his legs.” ... “These things happened so that the scripture would be fulfilled: “Not one of his bones will be broken,”*

27. The Messiah to be numbered among the transgressors.

Isaiah 53:12 [NIV] *“Therefore I will give him a portion among the great, and he will divide the spoils with the strong, because he poured out his life unto death, and was numbered with the transgressors. For he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.”*

Jesus crucified among criminals.

Luke 23:33 [NIV] *“When they came to the place called the Skull, there they crucified him, along with the criminals, one on his right, the other on his left.”*

28. The Messiah would be cut off but not for himself.

Daniel 9:26 [NIV] *“After the sixty-two ‘sevens’, the Anointed One will be cut off and will have nothing. The people of the ruler who will come will destroy the city and the sanctuary. The end will come like a flood: War will continue until the end, and desolations have been decreed.”*

Jesus died for mankind.

John 11:50-52 [NIV] *“You do not realise that it is better for you that one man die for the people than that the whole nation perish.” He did not say this on his own, but as high priest that year he prophesied that Jesus would die for the Jewish nation, and not only for that nation but also for the scattered children of God, to bring them together and make them one.”*

29. Anyone hung on a tree is under God's curse.

Deuteronomy 21:23 [NIV] *“you must not leave his body on the tree overnight. Be sure to bury him that same day, because anyone who is hung on a tree is under God's curse. You must not desecrate the land the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance.”*

Jesus becomes a curse for us.

Galatians 3:13 [NIV] *“Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us, for it is written: “Cursed is everyone who is hung on a tree.”*

30. The place of the Messiah's burial.

Isaiah 53:9 [NIV] *“He was assigned a grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death, though he had done no violence, nor was any deceit in his mouth.”*

Jesus buried in the tomb of Joseph of Arimathea.

Matthew 27:57-60 [NIV] *“As evening approached, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who had himself become a disciple of Jesus. Going to Pilate, he asked for Jesus' body, and Pilate ordered that it be given to him. Joseph took the body, wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, and placed it in his own new tomb that he had cut out of the rock. He rolled a big stone in front of the entrance to the tomb and went away.”*