

FORESIGHT OF THE SCRIPTURE, #1

ILLUSTRATION

- I. The foresight of the scriptures is a living wonder before our eyes.
 - A. The scriptures provide an accurate account of HISTORY.
 - B. The scriptures re represented as being able to look into the future with a fore-knowledge of things to come. Col.3:8; 1Pe.1:10-112; Heb.10:1a
 1. The Bible is it's own proof of inspiration.
 2. When we take a journey, we can take a roadmap and plot our trip, and journey to heaven is to look at the scripture—an inspired roadmap.
- II. Today we begin a study of the scriptures regarding Christ the Son of God, and then we shall examine the scripture in other matters of the gospel age.
 - A. Someone has rightly said, “Our hindsight is better than our foresight.”
 - B. This is true in our life here as humans, since we do not have the power to know what the future holds, but we CAN only look back and see what happened.
 - C. However, God's inspired word CAN point to things in its future that WILL occur.

DISCUSSION

I. 1st, the scripture foresaw the BIRTH OF JESUS.

- A. That He would be born of a **virgin**. Gen.3:15; Isa.7A:14; cf Mt.1:23; Ga.4:4
- B. That He would be **begotten** of God the Father. Ps.2:7; Jn.1:14,18; 3:16
- C. Relative to the **time** of His coming—during the time of the Roman Empire. Dan.2:44; cf Ga.4:1; Mk.1:14,15; Lk.2:1,7...
- D. Regarding the **place** where He would come—BETHLEHEM. Mi.5:2; cf Mt.2:1
- E. Regarding His being of the lineage of **David**. Jer.23:5; cf Ro.1:1-3

II. 2nd, the scripture foresaw the MINISTRY OF JESUS.

- A. That He would be met with **opposition**. Ps.2:1; cf Jn.1:11
- B. That He would be **betrayed** by a friend. Ps.41:9; cf Matt.26:30
- C. That the betrayal money would be purchase a **Potter's field**. Zech.11:10-23; cf Mt.26:15; 27:(1-6),17
- D. That He would **die with transgressors**, or criminals. Isa.53:9-12; cf Mt.27:38
- E. That He would **abolish the old covenant** on the day of His death. Zech. 11:10; Amos 8;5,9; cf Mt.27:38,45; Col.2:14
- F. That He would **ascend** into heaven to become our redeemer. Dan.7:13-14; cf Ac.1:9-11; 2:34-34, 36-38

CONCLUSION

- I. Now, there are **many other things** about Jesus that were foreseen in the OT.
 - A. However, these things should be enough to convince the unbeliever that Christ is the fulfillment of promise.
 - B. The OT was on record long before Jesus came into the world, and properly fulfilled these OT prophecies.
- II. Exhortation.