



# DECEMBER

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## THE PROPHECIES ABOUT JESUS<sup>1</sup>

The Old Testament contains over 400 prophecies about the coming Messiah. Jesus Christ perfectly fulfilled every one of them. Do you know what the odds of that happening are? Think about it: one single man fulfilling every prediction about the coming Messiah, Savior of the world. A professor named Peter Stoner worked with 600 students to figure out what the probability would be of just eight (of the over 400) prophecies being fulfilled in any one person who had lived up to the present time. The result: 1 in 100,000,000,000,000,000.<sup>2</sup> Lee Strobel, an atheist-turned-Christian, performed some calculations to try to figure out what this would look like in real life. Lee notes:

*"I imagined the entire world being covered with white tile that was one-and-a-half inches square—every bit of dry land on the planet—with the bottom of just one tile painted red. Then I pictured a person being allowed to wander for a lifetime around all seven continents. He would be permitted to bend down only one time and pick up a piece of tile. What are the odds it would be the one tile whose reverse side was painted red? The odds would be the same as just eight of the Old Testament prophecies coming true in any one person throughout history!"<sup>3</sup>*

During the holiday season, it can be easy to focus solely on the miracle of Jesus' birth. The truth is so much about Jesus' birth, life and death is miraculous. As we count down to Christmas, let's take a look at some of the hundreds of Old Testament prophecies that Jesus FULFILLED:

### DECEMBER 1ST

**Prophecy: Genesis 49:10**

The Messiah would come from the tribe of Judah, one of the 12 Tribes of Israel.

**Fulfillment: Matthew 1:1-16**

### DECEMBER 6TH

**Prophecy: Hosea 11:1**

God would call the Messiah out from Egypt.

**Fulfillment: Matthew 2:13-15**

### DECEMBER 2ND

**Prophecy: Jeremiah 23:5, Psalm 132:11-12**

The Messiah would be a descendant of King David.

**Fulfillment: Matthew 1:1-16**

### DECEMBER 7TH

**Prophecy: Isaiah 53:2-3**

The Messiah would be a common man.

**Fulfillment: Mark 6:3**

### DECEMBER 3RD

**Prophecy: Isaiah 7:14**

The Messiah would be born of a virgin.

**Fulfillment: Matthew 1:20-23**

### DECEMBER 8TH

**Prophecy: Malachi 3:1**

God would send a messenger to prepare people for the Messiah

**Fulfillment: Matthew 11:7-11**

### DECEMBER 4TH

**Prophecy: Psalm 2:7**

The Messiah would be the Son of God.

**Fulfillment: Luke 1:35**

### DECEMBER 9TH

**Prophecy: Psalm 78:2**

The Messiah would speak in parables.

**Fulfillment: Matthew 13:34-35**

### DECEMBER 5TH

**Prophecy: Micah 5:2**

The One True Messiah would be born in Bethlehem.

**Fulfillment: Matthew 2:1, Luke 2:4-6**

### DECEMBER 10TH

**Prophecy: Zechariah 9:9**

The Messiah would enter Jerusalem riding on a donkey.

**Fulfillment: Luke 19:35-38**



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## DECEMBER 11TH

**Prophecy: Isaiah 35:5-6**

The Messiah would heal the sick.

**Fulfillment: Matthew 11:4-5**

## DECEMBER 18TH

**Prophecy: Psalm 69:21**

The Messiah would be given gall and vinegar to drink.

**Fulfillment: Matthew 27:32-34**

## DECEMBER 12TH

**Prophecy: Psalm 41:9**

The Messiah would be betrayed by a close friend.

**Fulfillment: John 13:18-30**

## DECEMBER 19TH

**Prophecy: Psalm 22:18**

They would divide the Messiah's clothes and cast lots.

**Fulfillment: John 19:23-24**

## DECEMBER 13TH

**Prophecy: Zechariah 11:12**

The Messiah would be betrayed for 30 pieces of silver.

**Fulfillment: Matthew 26:14-16**

## DECEMBER 20TH

**Prophecy: Psalm 22:7-8**

The Messiah would be mocked by his enemies.

**Fulfillment: Matthew 27:39-44**

## DECEMBER 14TH

**Prophecy: Zechariah 13:7**

The Messiah would be denied by his disciples.

**Fulfillment: Mark 14:43-51**

## DECEMBER 21ST

**Prophecy: Psalm 34:20**

His bones would not be broken.

**Fulfillment: John 19:31-33**

## DECEMBER 15TH

**Prophecy: Isaiah 53:3**

The Messiah would be despised and rejected by men.

**Fulfillment: Luke 23:20-23**

## DECEMBER 22ND

**Prophecy: Psalm 110:1**

The Messiah would sit at the right hand of God and have authority over everything.

**Fulfillment: Mark 16:19**

## DECEMBER 16TH

**Prophecy: Psalm 22:14-16**

The Messiah's hands and feet would be pierced.

**Fulfillment: Mark 15:20**

## DECEMBER 23RD

**Prophecy: Isaiah 61:1-3**

The Messiah would proclaim good news to the people.

**Fulfillment: Luke 4:16-21**

## DECEMBER 17TH

**Prophecy: Isaiah 53:7**

The Messiah would not defend himself before his accusers.

**Fulfillment: Matthew 27:12-14**

## DECEMBER 24TH

**Prophecy: Isaiah 9:6-7**

The Messiah would reign forever.

**Fulfillment: Luke 1:32-33**

<sup>1</sup> <https://yourbreathinme.com/my-case-for-god-my-case-for-christ/the-prophecies-about-jesus/>

<sup>2</sup> Science Speaks, Peter Stoner, (Chicago, Moody Press, 1963), p. 109

<sup>3</sup> Inside the Mind of Unchurched Harry and Mary, Lee Strobel, (Grand Rapids, Zondervan, 1993), pp. 36-37