

Redemption Through the Scriptures

Gaining a Clearer Picture of Christ and His Saving Work

#6 The Design of Redemption

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The Program (1-5)
God's plan reflects God's wisdom

The Purchase (6-10)
God's plan requires design and sacrifice

The Pleasure (11-14)
God's plan is fulfilled in the church

Survey of Redemption (15-16): *Interweaves redemptive themes through time and scriptures*

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Prophecies in Time

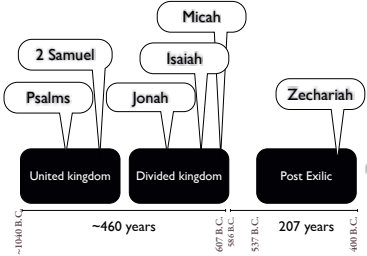
Purpose of Prophecies

- God uses prophecies to intensify our curiosity.
- Clarifies, defines, and confirms God's redemptive plan.
- Reminds us of God's eternal plan.
- Declares the inadequacy of man's ability to reach God's goals on his own terms.
- Stir our hearts to live in full appreciation of His gift of Christ (John 3:16).

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The Eternal Design

- **God's plan** existed before creation (Eph 1:3–4).
 - ➡ Redemption was planned before time began.

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ, just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before Him" (Eph 1:3-4, NASB).
- **Redemption** is central, not secondary.
 - ➡ Prophecies unveil God's plan focused on Jesus Christ.
- Christ is the **focus and fulfillment** of history.
 - ➡ Fulfillment shows God's sovereignty and faithfulness.



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Christ's Death – Prophecies

- Suffering and details of crucifixion (Psalm 22).

"My God, my God, why hast Thou forsaken me?" (Psa 22:1).
- The betrayal price of thirty silver pieces (Zech 11:12–13).
- Substitutionary atonement: "our sorrows He carried" (Isaiah 53:4-6).

"As to this salvation, the prophets who prophesied of the grace that would come to you made careful search and inquiry, seeking to know what person or time the Spirit of Christ within them was indicating as He predicted the sufferings of Christ and the glories to follow" (1 Pet 1:10).

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Christ's Resurrection – Prophecies

- The Holy One will not see decay (Psa 16:10).
- Three days prefigured in Jonah (Mat 12:39).
- Apostolic witness confirms fulfillment (Acts 13:30–35).

"God overlooked people's ignorance about these things in earlier times, but now he commands everyone everywhere to repent of their sins and turn to him. For he has set a day for judging the world with justice by the man he has appointed, and he proved to everyone who this is by raising him from the dead" (Acts 17:30-31).

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Christ's Rule – Prophecies

- Humble King enters Jerusalem (Zech 9:9).
- Installed by the Father (Psalm 2:6–7).
- Ever-increasing, unending government (Isaiah 9:6–7).

The Prince of Peace
Isaiah 9:6

"And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace" (Is 9:6).

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Summary

Twenty-four times the phrase, "It is written," is used in the Gospels. Thirty-two times the word 'fulfilled' is used. Jesus Himself declares, "It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught of God'" (John 6:45).

- Every prophecy fulfilled in Jesus affirms God's perfect design.
- Respond with trust, obedience, and worship of the Redeemer King.

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The Program The Purchase The Pleasure

"I want that!" "I'll pay for that!" "I'll enjoy that!"

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Discussion Questions

1. What does Ephesians 1:3–4 reveal about the timing of God’s redemptive plan?
2. Why did God choose to reveal His plan through prophecy rather than sudden action?
3. How do the prophecies of Christ’s birth show both divine sovereignty and human involvement?
4. How can knowing God’s eternal plan deepen our worship and obedience?



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