Series: Ready to Answer Lesson: 11 - Is Jesus Really the Christ, the Son of God? Author: Jim Baird



Jesus Fits Many Specific Prophecies of the Old Testament. Daniel 2 & 7; Micah 5:2; Isaiah 9:6&7; Isaiah 29:18 & 35:5&6; Isaiah 61:1; Isaiah 42:1-3; Psalms 69:9; Zechariah 9:9&10; Zechariah 10&11; Isaiah 53:4-7; Psalms 22; Isaiah 53:8-12; Isaiah 49:6; Jeremiah 31:33&34.

Jesus Answers the Questions that the Old Testament Leaves Unanswered. When will God restore His Kingdom and make it fill the whole earth?

How can the Holy God have fellowship with people who are never perfect?

How can the Kingdom of God that fills the whole earth and lasts forever be built on the Law of Moses, which Israel failed to keep over and over?

The Old Testament claims that the restored kingdom of God will last forever. But if the Messiah is another David, who builds yet another kingdom on blood and death, how can it endure any longer than other such kingdoms? By its violence it would create the seeds of its own destruction.

Jesus performed miracles.

Jesus' miracles are incredibly well documented compared to other events in the ancient world.

This evidence taken together makes the claim that Jesus did miracles as well documented as just about anything in ancient history. It is possible to doubt it, but it seems that if one does, the honest thing to do is to doubt all the rest of ancient history as well.

Conclusions:

As we saw in previous lessons, it is just not honest to say that there is no evidence that sets Jesus above the other great teachers of history.

In this lesson we have seen some additional, supernatural reasons, to believe in him.

All of these taken together would have to put Jesus at the top of the list of someone who was looking for a leader to follow.

