

1. Who Is Jesus?

The Israelites were God's special people. God spoke to them by the prophets. They warned them of sin, encouraged them to follow God and his commands, and told them of the promised Saviour – the Messiah.

The Scriptures of the Old Testament give many clues to the identity of the Messiah.

These Scriptures are helpful and encouraging to us too, giving us proof and confirmation that the Lord Jesus Christ is indeed God's Chosen One, God the Son who became man, born into this world to be the Saviour of his people.

People who knew the writings of Moses, the Psalms and the books of the Prophets would see in the life of Jesus the fulfilment of prophecies made hundreds of years before and recorded in God's Word.

Let's look at some of them.





2. The First Clue

Way back in the beginning of time, in the garden of Eden, God made a promise about the Saviour.

Adam and Eve had sinned by giving in to the temptation of the devil who came in the form of a serpent. God said to the serpent, 'I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head and you shall bruise his heel' (Genesis 3:15).

That was the first clue about the Saviour. He would be a man – not an angel. He would be born of a woman into this world. This man would completely destroy the devil in the end.

Throughout history, clues were given as to which family would be chosen as the family of the Saviour, sometimes called the Messiah or Anointed One, the expected King and Deliverer.



