

# Jesus the Messiah

## What does Messiah Mean?

*The "Anointed One" [Christ] who would come and redeem Israel, conceptually he is the focus of the fulfillment of the Old Testament. He is revealed in the Old Testament texts through the use of many titles and names...*

*This term is only used twice in the NT. It shows up in the non-biblical yet historical Apocrypha 3 times as well.*

He first found his own brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which means Christ) **John 1:41**

The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ). When he comes, he will tell us all things." **John 4:25**

## The Servant

*Israel: Failed Servant*

Who is blind but my servant, or deaf as my messenger whom I send? **Isaiah 42:19**

*The Servant of God*

Behold, my servant shall act wisely; he shall be high and lifted up, and shall be exalted.

**Isaiah 52:13**

*The Servant will Suffer and Die and Somehow Live*

**Isaiah 53**

*Jesus is that Servant*

"Behold, my servant whom I have chosen, my beloved with whom my soul is well pleased.

I will put my Spirit upon him and he will proclaim justice to the Gentiles." **Matthew 12:18**

### The Son of God / Psalm 2:2

The title "Son of God" indicates the deity [the idea that he is God] of the Messiah.

### The Son of Man / Daniel 7:13-14

This term indicates the humanity of Jesus as well as his deity.

### The Son of David / 2 Samuel 7:12

The Messiah would be a descendent of King David, whose throne would be forever; and he is the ultimate fulfillment of this as he will be the ruler of heaven and earth forevermore.

### The Teacher / Isaiah 30:20-21

The one who will be both a verbal and living example of truth for us all to learn by.

### The Servant of the Lord / Isaiah 52:13

While Israel was supposed to be God's servant, Jesus was the one who fulfilled that role and did the very will of God. The Servant would be one who suffered for the sins of others.

### The Prophet Like Moses / Deut 18:15-19

The people of Israel were afraid of the terror of the presence of the Lord, and God said he would provide for them a mediator that was like Moses, from the nation of Israel, who would have the very words of God in his mouth.

### Immanuel / Isaiah 7:14

This word means "God with us," which shows both his humanity and deity.

### The Rock, The Cornerstone / ????

The cornerstone of God's plan. A stable factor in an shaky world.

## Isaiah 9:6

### Wonderful Counselor / Isaiah 9:6

The OT word for *wonder* is used exclusively for the acts of God, he is truly the most wonderful ruler and leader who needs no other counsel.

### Mighty God / Isaiah 9:6

A mighty "hero" who was "great" who is God himself.

### Father of Eternity / Isaiah 9:6

The Messiah would be a person of divine eternity, one who would last forever.

### Prince of Peace / Isaiah 9:6

This term does not necessarily indicate "sonship" as much as it means "ruler or leader." He will be a ruler of peace.

### The Branch of the Lord / Isaiah 4:2

The Messiah would be a sprout or branch from the tree of David, and also the "son" of God himself.

### The Lord Our Righteousness / Jer 23:6

The Messiah would be the Lord (YAWEH) and our righteousness. Jesus is truly our righteousness as expressed clearly in the book of Romans.

### The One Shepherd / Psalm 80:1

The one who will be and is the Shepherd of Israel, who guides and protects. Also, speaks of the fact that the Messiah will die (Zechariah 13:7)

### The Light to the Nations / Isaiah 49:6

Israel was supposed to be a light unto the nations, the Messiah would fulfill this desire of God to the uttermost and be a light to the whole world.

## The Lord of Righteousness

In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our Righteousness." **Jeremiah 23:6**

*Only messianic titles use the whole form of the name of God / Yahweh*

For our sake he made him [Jesus] to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. **1 Corinthians 5:21**

But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it -- the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. **Romans 3:21-22**

## The One Shepherd

Give ear, O shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph like a flock. **Psalm 80:1**

Strike the shepherd and the sheep will be scattered. **Zechariah 13:7**

I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for his sheep. **John 10:11**

Then Jesus said to them, "You will all fall away because of me this night. For it is written, "I will strike the shepherd and the sheep of the flock will be scattered." **Matthew 26:31**