How Do We Know That Jesus Is The True Messiah?

I. Mathematic probability of fulfilling Old Testament prophecies about the Messiah

II. Scriptural "Address" of the Messiah

Genesis 3:14 - The first Messiah prophecy - born of the seed of a woman

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- *Genesis 9-10* Of Noah's three sons the Messiah would come through the lineage of Shem.
- *Genesis 17:19-21, 21:12* Abraham, who is in the line of Shem, had two sons Ishmael and Isaac. God chose Isaac to be the progenitor.
- *Genesis 28:1-4, 35:10-12; Numbers 24:17* Of Isaac's two sons, Jacob and Esau, God chose the line of Jacob.
- Genesis 49:8-10 Of Jacob's four sons, God singled out the tribe of Judah.
- *Isaiah 11:1-5* In the tribe of Judah he chose the line of Jesse.
- 2 Samuel 7:12-16; Jermiah 23:5 God chose David, the youngest son of Jesse.
- Luke 3:25-38 Jesus' lineage going back to Genesis.

III. More Specific Messianic Prophecies

- ▶ Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:18, 24-25 Would be Born of a Virgin
- Micah 5:2; Matthew 2:1 Would be Born in Bethlehem
- ▶ Isaiah 40:3; Matthew 3:1-2 Would be Preceded by a Forerunner
- ▶ Isaiah 9:1; Matthew 4:12-13, 17 Would Minister in Galilee
- ➤ Isaiah 35:5-6a; Matthew 9:35 Would Do Miraculous Signs
- ➢ Isaiah 53:3; John 7:5, 48 − Would be Rejected by His Own People
- Zechariah 11:12; Matthew 26:15 Would be Betrayed for 30 pieces of Silver
- Psalm 22:16, 34:20; Luke 23:33; John 19:33 Would be Crucified and Pierced without Breaking a Bone
- Amos 8:9; Matthew 27:57-60 Would be Buried in a Rich Man's Tomb
- Psalm 16:10; Acts 2:31 Would be Resurrected