



## Jesus In The Old Testament

It always amazes me how many Christians can not point to their Messiah in the “Old Testament”. The majority of the time.. when you ask a professing Christian to point to Jesus in the Old Testament... I almost always seem to get that same “deer in the headlight” look.

They will almost always be stunned that you even asked such a thing.. but the truth of the matter is.. that when Yahshua Jesus was trying to show people who he was.. he never used the New Testament scriptures... not once.

Believe it or not.. Yahshua never preached from the New Testament, not one time in his lifetime or throughout his ministry did he preach one word from what we now know as the “New Testament”.

Paul never quoted the New Testament.. Peter never quoted the New Testament.. John never quoted the New Testament.. in fact.. not one of the Apostles ever quoted from, or even mentioned the New Testament.. not even once.

And the reason that they never quoted the New Testament was because they were in the process of writing the New Testament. So whats important for us to remember is that when ever the Apostles mention the “scriptures”, or the “Word”, or the “commandments.. they were not talking about the New Testament scriptures... they were talking about the Old Testament scriptures... The Torah... the Tanakh... the Pentateuch, and the writings of the prophets.

Lets take a look at what Timothy had to say about the scriptures in 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy 3:15 through 17:

*2Ti 3:14 But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it*

*2Ti 3:15 and how from childhood you have been acquainted with **the sacred writings**, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.*

*2Ti 3:16 All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness,*

*2Ti 3:17 that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.*

The scriptures that Timothy is talking about are the scriptures that they already had in front of them. Timothy is talking about the Torah, the Tanakh, and the writings of the prophets.

When Timothy says that all scriptures is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness... he's talking about the Old Testament scriptures. They did not have the New Testament scriptures at that point in time.

You see the New Testament would not even be in existence for at least around 170 years after the death, burial, and resurrection of our Messiah.

The Muratorian fragment, dated at between 170 and as late as the end of the 4th century was the earliest known New Testament canon attributed to mainstream Christianity. And even it is not identical to the New Testament Cannon that we have today.

So there was no New Testament in the time of the Apostles for them to read from. They were in the process of living out the New Testament, and the New Testament canon would not even come into existence until some time between 170ad to around the end of the 4<sup>th</sup> century.

Another point that should be made.. is that any Biblical Scholar worth a pound of salt will tell you that as much as 45 percent of the New Testament is nothing more than quotes from the Old Testament. And why is that?

It's because the Old Testament is what they were always quoting from! It was all they had at the time. And more importantly... it was all they needed.

And whats really depressing is that there are a large amount of professing Christians out there who believe that the New Testament is for the Christian... and the Old Testament is for the Jews.

And I can assure you that nothing could be farther from the truth.

And something else that's even more depressing than that.. is that there are an abundance of modern day professing Christians out there who think that Jesus was a Christian.

I assure you... he was not. If anything... Yahshua Jesus was a Jew. He was prophesied by Moses and the prophets, and by his Father to come out of the house of David, and the tribe of Judah, and that's exactly where he came from and who he was... he came from the house of David and the from the tribe of Judah, and he was indeed a Jew through and through.

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### **Gods Promise To David Concerning Yahshua:**

Here's the very promise that our Father made to David concerning his lineage.. you can find it in 2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel chapter 7 verses 8 through 17:

*2Sa 7:8* Now, therefore, thus you shall say to my servant David, 'Thus says the LORD of hosts, I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep, that you should be prince over my people Israel.

*2Sa 7:9* And I have been with you wherever you went and have cut off all your enemies from before you. And I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth.

*2Sa 7:10* And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may dwell in their own place and be disturbed no more. And violent men shall afflict them no more, as formerly,

*2Sa 7:11* from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel. And I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover, the LORD declares to you that the LORD will make you a house.

*2Sa 7:12* When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom.

*2Sa 7:13* He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever.

*2Sa 7:14* I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son. When he commits iniquity, I will discipline him with the rod of men, with the stripes of the sons of men,

*2Sa 7:15* but my steadfast love will not depart from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I put away from before you.

*2Sa 7:16* And your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me. Your throne shall be established forever."

*2Sa 7:17* In accordance with all these words, and in accordance with all this vision, Nathan spoke to David.

The actual lineage of Yahshua Jesus reaches clear back through Abraham, Moses, Enoch, and yes even as clear back as Adam.

Listen to what David wrote in Psalms 22 and tell me if you see Yahshua anywhere in here:

*Psa 22:1* To the choirmaster: according to The Doe of the Dawn. A Psalm of David. **My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?** Why are you so far from saving me, from the words of my groaning?

*Psa 22:2* O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer, and by night, but I find no rest.

*Psa 22:3* Yet you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel.

*Psa 22:4* In you our fathers trusted; they trusted, and you delivered them.

*Psa 22:5* To you they cried and were rescued; in you they trusted and were not put to shame.

*Psa 22:6* But I am a worm and not a man, scorned by mankind and despised by the people.

*Psa 22:7* All who see me mock me; they make mouths at me; they wag their heads;

*Psa 22:8* "He trusts in the LORD; let him deliver him; let him rescue him, for he delights in

him!"

*Psa 22:9 Yet you are he who took me from the womb; you made me trust you at my mother's breasts.*

*Psa 22:10 On you was I cast from my birth, and from my mother's womb you have been my God.*

*Psa 22:11 Be not far from me, for trouble is near, and there is none to help.*

*Psa 22:12 Many bulls encompass me; strong bulls of Bashan surround me;*

*Psa 22:13 they open wide their mouths at me, like a ravening and roaring lion.*

*Psa 22:14 I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint; my heart is like wax; it is melted within my breast;*

*Psa 22:15 my strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue sticks to my jaws; you lay me in the dust of death.*

*Psa 22:16 For dogs encompass me; a company of evildoers encircles me; they have pierced my hands and feet—*

*Psa 22:17 I can count all my bones— they stare and gloat over me;*

*Psa 22:18 they divide my garments among them, and for my clothing they cast lots.*

*Psa 22:19 But you, O LORD, do not be far off! O you my help, come quickly to my aid!*

*Psa 22:20 Deliver my soul from the sword, my precious life from the power of the dog!*

*Psa 22:21 Save me from the mouth of the lion! You have rescued me from the horns of the wild oxen!*

*Psa 22:22 I will tell of your name to my brothers; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you:*

*Psa 22:23 You who fear the LORD, praise him! All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him, and stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel!*

*Psa 22:24 For he has not despised or abhorred the affliction of the afflicted, and he has not hidden his face from him, but has heard, when he cried to him.*

*Psa 22:25 From you comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will perform before those who fear him.*

*Psa 22:26 The afflicted shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the LORD! May your hearts live forever!*

*Psa 22:27 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, and all the families of the nations shall worship before you.*

*Psa 22:28 For kingship belongs to the LORD, and he rules over the nations.*

*Psa 22:29 All the prosperous of the earth eat and worship; before him shall bow all who go down to the dust, even the one who could not keep himself alive.*

*Psa 22:30 Posterity shall serve him; it shall be told of the Lord to the coming generation;*

*Psa 22:31 they shall come and proclaim his righteousness to a people yet unborn, that he has done it.*

Yahshua Hamashiach the Messiah is all over the Old Testament my friends, from the beginning to the end his light shines through out the pages of history, and throughout the halls of time.

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## Has The Christian Church Replaced The House of Israel?

And believe it or not there are an abundance of modern day professing Christians out there today who believe that Christians and the Christian church have replaced Israel, and the Old Testament writings.

*1Pe 2:9 But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.*

*1Pe 2:10 Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.*

You... if you are indeed a Christian... you have been grafted into the Olive Tree that is Israel (read Romans chapter 11). You, if you are indeed a Christian.. you are a wild Olive Tree that has been grafted into the cultivated Olive Tree of the House of Israel.

My friends I want you to know and to understand that many of our Jewish brothers and sisters have been brought to the Messiah Yahshua through the Old Testament. Most Jews in Israel don't even have a New Testament. And yet they have found Yahshua Jesus their Messiah in the Old Testament.

The New Testament is not a non Jewish book, that leads people to a non Jewish faith, and a non Jewish Messiah. The New Testament is an extension of the Old Testament which is a very Jewish book, that leads to a a very Jewish faith, and a very Jewish Messiah.

So lets see if we can point to the Messiah in the Old Testament.. in fact... lets see if we can see Yahshua in the very first book of the Old Testament:

*Gen 3:15 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."*

How many of us are there that understand that women do not have seed? Women have eggs.. only men have seed. So what seed is God talking about here? There was only one women that had the seed of man, and that woman was Mary the mother of Yahshua... Jesus.

Mary was the only woman who grew seed from with in her with out the help of a man. And it was her seed... Yahshua.. who would crush the head of the serpent with his heel.

Do we see Yahshua in the Old Testament? Can you see him yet?

I want us to see something else something even more profound in Genesis 22 chapter 8. Listen to the conversation between Abraham and Issac and listen to what Abraham says to Issac when he asks where the lamb is for the sacrifice:

*Gen 22:7 And Isaac said to his father Abraham, "My father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?"*  
*Gen 22:8 Abraham said, "God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So they went both of them together.*

So let me ask you my friends... did God provide for himself a lamb for an offering?

Yes.. he did provide the lamb didn't he.. his only begotten son.. as an offering for the sins of the whole world.

**1Co 5:7** *Cleanse out the old leaven that you may be a new lump, as you really are unleavened. For Christ, our **Passover lamb**, has been sacrificed.*

My friends where is the Passover found in the Bible? Is it not found in the book of Exodus, and is Exodus not found in the Old Testament? And the Feast day of the Passover is the book of Leviticus... and is Leviticus not found in the Old Testament?

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And what did God say to Abraham just a few verses down in verse 12?

*Gen 22:12 He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, **your only son**, from me."*

Notice the term "your only son" in verse 12? Do you suppose that's a coincidence? I would submit to you.. that it is not.

You see it wasn't for Abraham to give his only son to God.. God knew it was he himself that would need to give his only begotten son to Abraham. God did what he would not allow Abraham to do.

What God asked Abraham to do... was what God knew that he himself was going to have to do.

God knew the pain that it would cause Abraham.. he knew the damage that it would do to Abraham.. and God so loved Abraham that there was no way that he could allow him to give up his only son as a sacrifice, the way that God knew he himself was going to have to do.

It was enough to know that Abraham loved and trusted God enough to do it. That was all that God wanted to know. Did Abraham love God with all of his heart, mind, and soul? The greatest commandment was carried out by Abraham that very day on the top of that mountain and it was enough to melt God's heart.

And so it was that Abraham was chosen by God to be the Father of all nations. And we're told very clearly why it was that Abraham was chosen by God to be the Father of all nations:

*Gen 26:4 I will multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven and will give to your offspring all these lands. And in your offspring all the nations of the earth shall be blessed,*

*Gen 26:5 because Abraham obeyed my voice and kept my charge, my commandments, my statutes, and my laws."*

So let me ask you was it enough for Abraham to simply believe... or was there works involved in Abraham's faith? Here's what James the brother of Yahshua had to say about whether or not you need works in order to be saved:

*Jas 2:21 Was not Abraham our father justified by works when he offered up his son Isaac on the altar?*

*Jas 2:22 You see that faith was active along with his works, and faith was completed by his works;*

*Jas 2:23 and the Scripture was fulfilled that says, "Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness"—and he was called a friend of God.*

*Jas 2:24 You see that a person is justified by works and not by faith alone.*

No matter what they try to tell you my friends always remember.. that a person is justified by works.. and not by faith alone... according to scripture.. according to the very brother of Yahshua who was the head of the Jerusalem council, and himself a very Jewish Apostle.

How many Christians do you hear today proclaiming that all you have to do is believe. Jesus did it all for me at the cross so all I have to do is believe they will proudly proclaim.

Is that what James the brother of Yahshua says?

*Jas 2:24 You see that a person is justified by works and not by faith alone.*

And once again if you will notice... we see the Old Testament being quoted... in the New Testament don't we? As much as 45 percent of the New Testament.. is nothing but quotes from the Old Testament.

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## The Stranger And The Two Apostles:

I want us to listen in on a conversation that's going on between two of the Apostles who were on their way to the village of Emmaus. This was just after the women had gone to the tomb and noticed that Yahshua was gone.

Listen to the conversation between these two Apostles and a stranger that they ran into along the way:

Luk 24:13 That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem,

Luk 24:14 and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened.

Luk 24:15 While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them.

Luk 24:16 But their eyes were kept from recognizing him.

Luk 24:17 And he said to them, "What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?" And they stood still, looking sad.

Luk 24:18 Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?"

Luk 24:19 And he said to them, "What things?" And they said to him, "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people,

Luk 24:20 and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him.

Luk 24:21 But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened.

Luk 24:22 Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning,

Luk 24:23 and when they did not find his body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive.

Luk 24:24 Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see."

Luk 24:25 And he said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken!

Luk 24:26 Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?"

Luk 24:27 And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

And listen to what Yahshua tells them:



*Luk 24:44* Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled."

*Luk 24:45* Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures,

*Luk 24:46* and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead,

*Luk 24:47* and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem.

Yahshua himself said that Moses wrote about him... we can find that in John chapter 5 verse 46:

*Joh 5:46* For if you believed Moses, you would believe me; for he wrote of me.

Is Yahshua in the Old Testament?

So we know that according to Yahshua... Moses wrote about Yahshua, so where can we find that at?

*Deu 18:15* "The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers—it is to him you shall listen—

*Deu 18:16* just as you desired of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, 'Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God or see this great fire any more, lest I die.'

*Deu 18:17* And the LORD said to me, 'They are right in what they have spoken.

*Deu 18:18* I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him.

*Deu 18:19* And whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him.

Who is it that can not see Yahshua Jesus in this scripture in The Old Testament? Who is it that can deny... that this is indeed is about Yahshua Jesus?

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### **Yahshua From The Beginning:**

Lets go back to the very beginning in the book of Genesis chapter 1 and lets see if Yahshua is there:

*Gen 1:1* In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.

*Gen 1:2* The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

*Gen 1:3 And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light.*

*Gen 1:4 And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness.*

*Gen 1:5 God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.*

*Gen 1:6 And God said, "Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters."*

*Gen 1:7 And God made the expanse and separated the waters that were under the expanse from the waters that were above the expanse. And it was so.*

*Gen 1:8 And God called the expanse Heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.*

*Gen 1:9 And God said, "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so.*

Now I want us to notice that God created "the light" on the first day in verse 3 did he not? And yet he did not create the sun until the 4<sup>th</sup> day according to verses 16.

*Gen 1:16 And God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars.*

*Gen 1:17 And God set them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth,*

*Gen 1:18 to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good.*

*Gen 1:19 And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.*

So what light was it that he created on the first day? I would submit to you that the light was not part of creation my friends.. but rather part of the creator. It was through this light that all things were made.

John tells us about this light in John chapter 1 verses 1 through 9:

*Joh 1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.*

*Joh 1:2 He was in the beginning with God.*

*Joh 1:3 All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made.*

*Joh 1:4 In him was life, and the life was the light of men.*

*Joh 1:5 The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.*

*Joh 1:6 There was a man sent from God, whose name was John.*

*Joh 1:7 He came as a witness, to bear witness about the light, that all might believe through him.*

*Joh 1:8 He was not the light, but came to bear witness about the light.*

*Joh 1:9 The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world.*

Messiah Yahshua.. in the Old Testament.. do you see him?

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## Isaiah Himself Describes Yahshua:

Lets take a look at Isaiah chapter 53 and lets see if we can see him:

*Isa 53:1* Who really believed what we heard? Who saw in it the LORD'S great power?

*Isa 53:2* He was always close to the Lord. He grew up like a young plant, like a root growing in dry ground. There was nothing special or impressive about the way he looked, nothing we could see that would cause us to like him.

*Isa 53:3* People made fun of him, and even his friends left him. He was a man who suffered a lot of pain and sickness. We treated him like someone of no importance, like someone people will not even look at but turn away from in disgust.

*Isa 53:4* The fact is, it was our suffering he took on himself; he bore our pain. But we thought that God was punishing him, that God was beating him for something he did.

*Isa 53:5* But he was being punished for what we did. He was crushed because of our guilt. He took the punishment we deserved, and this brought us peace. We were healed because of his pain.

*Isa 53:6* We had all wandered away like sheep. We had gone our own way. And yet the LORD put all our guilt on him.

*Isa 53:7* He was treated badly, but he never protested. He said nothing, like a lamb being led away to be killed. He was like a sheep that makes no sound as its wool is being cut off. He never opened his mouth to defend himself.

*Isa 53:8* He was taken away by force and judged unfairly. The people of his time did not even notice that he was killed. But he was put to death for the sins of his people.

*Isa 53:9* He had done no wrong to anyone. He had never even told a lie. But he was buried among the wicked. His tomb was with the rich.

*Isa 53:10* But the LORD was pleased with this humble servant who suffered such pain. Even after giving himself as an offering for sin, he will see his descendants and enjoy a long life. He will succeed in doing what the LORD wanted.

*Isa 53:11* After his suffering he will see the light, and he will be satisfied with what he experienced. The Lord says, "My servant, who always does what is right, will make his people right with me; he will take away their sins.

*Isa 53:12* For this reason, I will treat him as one of my great people. I will give him the rewards of one who wins in battle, and he will share them with his powerful ones. I will do this because he gave his life for the people. He was considered a criminal, but the truth is, he carried away the sins of many. Now he will stand before me and speak for those who have sinned."

Yahshua in the Old Testament.. do you see him yet?

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## **The New Testament Prophesied About In The Old:**

*Jer 31:31 "Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah,*

*Jer 31:32 not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the LORD.*

*Jer 31:33 For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people.*

How was it that God was going to put his law with us and write it on our hearts? It was through the death of his son that he would accomplish this miraculous feat.

Because of what he did.. because he willingly became our sacrificial lamb... because he became the propitiation for our sins... Gods laws would be put in our hearts and in our minds.

Because we know what he did.. we understand what the biblical definition of the “love of God” is:

*1Jn 5:3 For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome.*

Can we see Yahshua in the Old Testament.. you bet we can see him. My friends I would submit to you.. that he is the Old Testament... he is the very “Word” of God. What does the Apostle John tell us about the Word of God?:

*Joh 1:10 He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him.*

*Joh 1:11 He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him.*

*Joh 1:12 But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God,*

*Joh 1:13 who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.*

*Joh 1:14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.*

My friends this study could go on not just for days or months.. but it could go on for years. Yahshua is in and through the very fabric of the Old Testament, and his

footprints begin from the first few pages of Genesis clear to the book of Revelation.

For those who have the eyes to see and the ears to hear let them see and let them hear the Messiah standing at the door knocking.

*Rev 3:20 Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with me.*

*Rev 3:21 The one who conquers, I will grant him to sit with me on my throne, as I also conquered and sat down with my Father on his throne.*

*Rev 3:22 He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches."*