

## For in Them You Think You Have Life

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### Scriptures:

Luke 24:44  
Zechariah 9:9; 11:12-13  
Daniel 9:25  
Psalm 22:18; 40:7  
Isaiah 11:1; 53  
Micah 5:2  
2 Peter 1:16-17  
John 1:45

During His walk on earth Jesus confirmed to His disciples that there were many things that must be fulfilled; all those things that were written in the Law of Moses, the prophets and the psalms concerning Himself.

Our Bible is all about Jesus. He is the theme of the book, Psalm 40 confirms this. Isaiah records that a Rod shall come forth from the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots, the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD. Isaiah also spoke of a sign, a virgin who would bear a Son and call His name Immanuel, which means God with us

God used the Romans to fulfill the prophecy that Jesus would be born in Bethlehem. Augustus decreed a taxation, so Mary and Joseph would be in the right place at the right time.

Daniel even recorded the day that Jesus would arrive; 483 years from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem, Messiah the Prince would start his ministry in Jordan with His cousin John.

Shortly afterwards, Jesus enters the temple, takes the scroll and confirms His ministry to the gathered congregation. *"The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me; because the LORD hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and to proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD."*

John records that Philip finds Nathaniel and tells him, *"We have found Him, of whom Moses in the law, and the prophets did write, Jesus of Nazareth."*

It was prophesied that Jesus would be despised and rejected of men, a man of sorrows Who would be acquainted with grief. Yet, He would bear our griefs, carry our sorrows; He would be wounded and bruised for our sins. With His stripes we are healed.

Zechariah encouraged the daughters of Jerusalem to rejoice because their King was coming: He is just, and has salvation but He will arrive, carried upon a colt, the foal of an ass. He also predicted Jesus' betrayal, even the price paid for Him, thirty pieces of silver.

After the resurrection He joined the two disciples on the road to Emmaus, expounding from all the scriptures the things concerning Himself, beginning at Moses and in all the prophets.

Peter is adamant that he and the other believers are not following cunningly devised fables when they made known to us the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, because they were eyewitnesses of his majesty. Peter recounts how Jesus received from God the Father honour and glory, when there came a voice from heaven, as they were on the mountain, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

But it means nothing if all we do is search the scriptures. Jesus was clear, there is no life in the scriptures. To find life in all its abundance we must come to Jesus, get to know Him and through Him reach the Father.

**Prayer:** Father God, lead us through Your Word, guide our steps toward the Throne of Grace. Help us to be encouraged and edified by the scripture that speaks of Jesus while knowing we can only find Life forever in Him. Amen