Why Jesus

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The birth of Jesus was professied about 700 years earlier.

Isaiah 7

¹⁴Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name **Immanuel**.

Luke 1

- 26 And in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth,
- ²⁷ To a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary.
- ²⁸ And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women.
- ²⁹ And when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be.
- ³⁰ And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God.
- ³¹ And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name **Iesus**.
- ³² He shall be great, and shall be called **the Son of the Highest**: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David:
- ³³ And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.

- ³⁴Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be, seeing I know not a man?
- ³⁵ And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called **the Son of God**.
- ³⁶ And, behold, thy cousin Elisabeth, she hath also conceived a son in her old age: and this is the sixth month with her, who was called barren.
- ³⁷ For with God nothing shall be impossible.
- ³⁸ And Mary said, Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word. And the angel departed from her.

Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost.

- ¹⁹Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not willing to make her a public example, was minded to put her away privily.
- ²⁰ But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost.
- ²¹ And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name **Jesus**: **for he shall save his people from their sins**.
- ²² Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying,
- ²³ Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name **Emmanuel**, which being interpreted is, God with us.
- ²⁴Then Joseph being raised from sleep did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his wife:

²⁵ And knew her not till she had brought forth her firstborn son: and he called his name **Jesus.**

Luke 3

- ²¹ Now when all the people were baptized, it came to pass, that **Jesus** also being baptized, and praying, the heaven was opened,
- ²² And the Holy Ghost descended in a bodily shape like a dove upon him, and a voice came from heaven, which said, **Thou art my beloved Son**; in thee I am well pleased.

John 9

- ³⁰ The man answered and said unto them, Why herein is a marvellous thing, that ye know not from whence he is, and yet he hath opened mine eyes.
- ³¹ Now we know that God heareth not sinners: but if any man be a worshipper of God, and doeth his will, him he heareth.
- ³² Since the world began was it not heard that any man opened the eyes of one that was born blind.
- ³³ If this man were not of God, he could do nothing.
- ³⁴ They answered and said unto him, Thou wast altogether born in sins, and dost thou teach us? And they cast him out.
- ³⁵ Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when he had found him, he said unto him, **Dost thou believe on the Son of God**?
- $^{36}\,\mathrm{He}$ answered and said, Who is he, Lord, that I might believe on him?
- ³⁷ And Jesus said unto him, Thou hast both seen him, and it is he that talketh with thee.

³⁸ And he said, Lord, I believe. And he worshipped him.

Luke 22

- $^{\rm 41}\,\mathrm{And}$ he was withdrawn from them about a stone's cast, and kneeled down, and prayed,
- ⁴² Saying, Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done.
- ⁴³ And there appeared an angel unto him from heaven, strengthening him.
- ⁴⁴ And being in an agony he prayed more earnestly: and his sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground.
- ⁶³ And the men that held Jesus mocked him, and smote him.
- ⁶⁴ And when they had blindfolded him, they struck him on the face, and asked him, saying, Prophesy, who is it that smote thee?
- ⁶⁵ And many other things blasphemously spake they against him.
- ⁶⁶ And as soon as it was day, the elders of the people and the chief priests and the scribes came together, and led him into their council, saying,
- ⁶⁷ Art thou the Christ? tell us. And he said unto them, If I tell you, ye will not believe:
- ⁶⁸ And if I also ask you, ye will not answer me, nor let me go.
- ⁶⁹ Hereafter shall the Son of man sit on the right hand of the power of God.
- ⁷⁰ Then said they all, **Art thou then the Son of God?** And he said unto them, **Ye say that I am.**
- ⁷¹ And they said, What need we any further witness? for we ourselves have heard of his own mouth.

Now upon the first day of the week, very early in the morning, they came unto the sepulchre, bringing the spices which they had prepared, and certain others with them.

- ² And they found the stone rolled away from the sepulchre.
- ³ And they entered in, and found not the body of the Lord Jesus.
- ⁴ And it came to pass, as they were much perplexed thereabout, behold, two men stood by them in shining garments:
- ⁵ And as they were afraid, and bowed down their faces to the earth, they said unto them, **Why seek ye the living among the dead?**
- ⁶ He is not here, but is risen: remember how he spake unto you when he was yet in Galilee,
- ⁷ Saying, The Son of man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again.
- ⁸ And they remembered his words,
- ⁹ And returned from the sepulchre, and told all these things unto the eleven, and to all the rest.
- 36 And as they thus spake, Jesus himself stood in the midst of them, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you.
- ³⁷ But they were terrified and affrighted, and supposed that they had seen a spirit.
- ³⁸ And he said unto them, **Why are ye troubled? and why do thoughts arise in your hearts?**
- ³⁹ Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have.

- ⁴⁰ And when he had thus spoken, he shewed them his hands and his feet.
- ⁴¹ And while they yet believed not for joy, and wondered, he said unto them, Have ye here any meat?
- ⁴² And they gave him a piece of a broiled fish, and of an honeycomb.
- ⁴³ And he took it, and did eat before them.
- ⁴⁴ And he said unto them, These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me.
- 45 Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures,
- ⁴⁶ And said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behooved **Christ to suffer,** and to rise from the dead the third day:
- 47 And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.
- ⁴⁸ And ye are witnesses of these things.

Acts 4

- ¹⁰ Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom **God raised from the dead**, even by him doth this man stand here before you whole.
- ¹¹ This is the stone which was set at nought of you builders, which is become the head of the corner.
- ¹² Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

John 3

- ¹⁶ For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that **whosoever believeth in him should not perish**, but have everlasting life.
- ¹⁷ For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.
- ¹⁸ He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.
- ³⁶ **He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life**: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.
- 24 I said therefore unto you, that ye shall die in your sins: for if ye believe not that I am he, ye shall die in your sins. John 8:24

Hebrews 9

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- ¹¹ But Christ being come an high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building;
- ¹² Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us.
- ¹³ For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh:
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²² And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission.

- ²⁴ For Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true; but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us:
- ²⁵ Nor yet that he should offer himself often, as the high priest entereth into the holy place every year with blood of others;
- ²⁶ For then must he often have suffered since the foundation of the world: but now once in the end of the world hath he appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself.

²⁷ And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment:

²⁸ So **Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many**; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation.

Hebrews 10

For the law having a shadow of good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually make the comers thereunto perfect.

- ² For then would they not have ceased to be offered? because that the worshippers once purged should have had no more conscience of sins.
- ³ But in those sacrifices there is a remembrance again made of sins every year.
- ⁴ For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins.
- ⁵ Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me:

⁶ In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin thou hast had no pleasure.

- 7 Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me,) to do thy will, O God.
- ⁸ Above when he said, Sacrifice and offering and burnt offerings and offering for sin thou wouldest not, neither hadst pleasure therein; which are offered by the law;
- ⁹ Then said he, Lo, I come to do thy will, O God. He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second.
- ¹⁰ By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.
- ¹¹ And every priest standeth daily ministering and offering oftentimes the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins:
- ¹² But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God;
- ¹³ From henceforth expecting till his enemies be made his footstool.
- ¹⁴ For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified.
- ¹⁵ Whereof the Holy Ghost also is a witness to us: for after that he had said before,
- 16 This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them;
- ¹⁷ And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more.
- ¹⁸ Now where remission of these is, **there is no more offering for sin.**
- ¹⁹ Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest **by the blood of Jesus**,
- ²⁰ By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil,

that is to say, his flesh;

- ²⁶ For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins,
- ²⁷ But a certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries.
- ²⁸ He that despised Moses' law died without mercy under two or three witnesses:
- ²⁹ Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace?
- ⁶ Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.
- ¹² Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved. Acts 4:12

1 John 1

- ⁵This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all.
- ⁶ If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth:
- ⁷ But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and **the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.**
- ⁸ If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

- ⁹ If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
- ¹⁰ If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

Acts 16

- ³⁰ And brought them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved?
- ³¹ And they said, **Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved**, and thy house.

Acts 2

- ³⁶ Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God hath made the same Jesus, whom ye have crucified, both Lord and Christ.
- ³⁷ Now when they heard this, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we do?
- ³⁸ Then Peter said unto them, **Repent**, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.
- 39 For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.
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 m 40}$ And with many other words did he testify and exhort, saying, Save yourselves from this untoward generation.
- ⁴¹ Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls.
- 42 And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.

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