Does the Hebrew Bible Prophesy the Messiah?

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Messianic Prophecy in the Torah

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Genesis 3:15

¹⁵And I will put enmity Between you and the woman, And between your seed and her seed; He shall bruise you on the head, And you shall bruise him on the heel."

Revelation 20:2

²And he laid hold of the dragon, the serpent of old, who is the devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years ...

Romans 16:20

²⁰The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet. The grace of our Lord Jesus be with you.

Genesis 4:1

¹Now the man had relations with his wife Eve, and she conceived and gave birth to Cain, and she said, "I have gotten a manchild with the help of the LORD."

Genesis 5:28-29

²⁸Lamech lived one hundred and eighty-two years, and became the father of a son.

²⁹Now he called his name Noah, saying, "This one will give us rest from our work and from the toil of our hands arising from the ground which the LORD has cursed."

Genesis 12:1-3; 12:7; 13:14-17; 15:1-21; 17:1-21; 22:15-18

¹⁷indeed I will greatly bless you, and I will greatly multiply your seed as the stars of the heavens and as the sand which is on the seashore; and your seed shall possess the gate of their enemies.

Genesis 12:1-3; 12:7; 13:14-17; 15:1-21; 17:1-21; 22:15-18

¹⁸"In your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed, because you have obeyed My voice."

Galatians 3:16

¹⁶Now the promises were spoken to Abraham and to his seed. He does not say, "And to seeds," as referring to many, but rather to one, "And to your seed," that is, Christ.

Genesis 22:10-13

- ¹⁰Abraham stretched out his hand and took the knife to slay his son.
- ¹¹But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am."

Genesis 22:10-13

¹²He said, "Do not stretch out your hand against the lad, and do nothing to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from Me."

Genesis 22:10-13

¹³Then Abraham raised his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him a ram caught in the thicket by his horns; and Abraham went and took the ram and offered him up for a burnt offering in the place of his son.

John 1:29

²⁹The next day he saw Jesus coming to him and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!

John 3:16

¹⁶"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.

Hebrews 11:17-19

¹⁷By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was offering up his only begotten son;

¹⁸it was he to whom it was said, "In Isaac your DESCENDANTS SHALL BE CALLED."

Genesis 49:1, 10-12

¹Then Jacob summoned his sons and said, "Assemble yourselves that I may tell you what will befall you in the days to come. ...

Genesis 49:1, 10-12

10"The scepter shall not depart from Judah, Nor the ruler's staff from between his feet, Until Shiloh comes, And to him shall be the obedience of the peoples.

Genesis 49:1, 10-12

¹¹"He ties his foal to the vine, And his donkey's colt to the choice vine; He washes his garments in wine, And his robes in the blood of grapes.

¹²"His eyes are dull from wine, And his teeth white from milk.

Ezekiel 21:26-27

²⁶thus says the Lord GoD, 'Remove the turban and take off the crown; this will no longer be the same. Exalt that which is low and abase that which is high.

²⁷'A ruin, a ruin, a ruin, I will make it. This also will be no more until He comes whose right it is, and I will give it to Him.'

Genesis 42:8, 45:4

^{42:8}But Joseph had recognized his brothers, although they did not recognize him. ...

^{45:4}Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Please come closer to me." And they came closer. And he said, "I am your brother Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt.

Exodus 2:14; 14:31

^{2:14}But he said, "Who made you a prince or a judge over us?

^{14:31}When Israel saw the great power which the LORD had used against the Egyptians, the people feared the LORD, and they believed in the LORD and in His servant Moses.

Acts 7:13, 35

¹³"On the second visit Joseph made himself known to his brothers ...

³⁵"This Moses whom they disowned, saying, 'Who MADE YOU A RULER AND A JUDGE?' is the one whom God sent to be both a ruler and a deliverer.

Numbers 21:8-9

⁸Then the LORD said to Moses, "Make a fiery serpent, and set it on a standard; and it shall come about, that everyone who is bitten, when he looks at it, he will live."

⁹And Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on the standard; and it came about, that if a serpent bit any man, when he looked to the bronze serpent, he lived.

John 3:14-15

¹⁴"As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up;

¹⁵so that whoever believes will in Him have eternal life.

John 12:32-33

- ³²"And I, if I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to Myself."
- ³³But He was saying this to indicate the kind of death by which He was to die.

Numbers 23:21-22 (2nd oracle)

²¹"He has not observed misfortune in Jacob; Nor has He seen trouble in Israel; The LORD his God is with him, And the shout of a king is among them.

²²"God brings them out of Egypt, He is for them like the horns of the wild ox.

Numbers 24:7 (3rd oracle)

7"Water will flow from his buckets, And his seed will be by many waters, And his king shall be higher than Agag, And his kingdom shall be exalted.

Numbers 24:17-19 (4th oracle)

17"I see him, but not now; I behold him, but not near; A star shall come forth from Jacob, A scepter shall rise from Israel, And shall crush through the forehead of Moab, And tear down all the sons of Sheth.

Numbers 24:17-19

¹⁸"Edom shall be a possession, Seir, its enemies, also will be a possession, While Israel performs valiantly.

¹⁹"One from Jacob shall have dominion, And will destroy the remnant from the city."

Amos 9:11-12

¹¹"In that day I will raise up the fallen booth of David, And wall up its breaches; I will also raise up its ruins And rebuild it as in the days of old;

¹²That they may possess the remnant of Edom And all the nations who are called by My name," Declares the LORD who does this.

Matthew 2:1-2

¹Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, ²"Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we saw His star in the east and have come to worship Him."

Revelation 22:16

¹⁶"I, Jesus, have sent My angel to testify to you these things for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."

Deut. 18:15-19

¹⁵"The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your countrymen, you shall listen to him.

16"This is according to all that you asked of the LORD your God in Horeb on the day of the assembly, saying, 'Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God, let me not see this great fire anymore, or I will die.'

Deut. 18:15-19

¹⁷"The LORD said to me, 'They have spoken well.

¹⁸'I will raise up a prophet from among their countrymen like you, and I will put My words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him.

Deut. 18:15-19

¹⁹'It shall come about that whoever will not listen to My words which he shall speak in My name, I Myself will require it of him.

Exodus 20:19

¹⁹Then they said to Moses, "Speak to us yourself and we will listen; but let not God speak to us, or we will die."

Numbers 12:8

⁸With him I speak mouth to mouth, Even openly, and not in dark sayings, And he beholds the form of the LORD. Why then were you not afraid To speak against My servant, against Moses?"

Deut. 34:10-12

¹⁰Since that time no prophet has risen in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face,

Deut. 34:10-12

¹¹for all the signs and wonders which the LORD sent him to perform in the land of Egypt against Pharaoh, all his servants, and all his land,

¹²and for all the mighty power and for all the great terror which Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

John 1:21, 25

²¹They asked him, "What then? Are you Elijah?" And he said, "I am not." "Are you the Prophet?" And he answered, "No." ... ²⁵They asked him, and said to him, "Why then are you baptizing, if you are not the Christ, nor Elijah, nor the Prophet?"

John 1:45

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John 5:46-47

46"For if you believed Moses, you would believe Me, for he wrote about Me.
47"But if you do not believe his writings, how will you believe My words?"

John 6:14

¹⁴Therefore when the people saw the sign which He had performed, they said, "This is truly the Prophet who is to come into the world."

John 7:40

⁴⁰Some of the people therefore, when they heard these words, were saying, "This certainly is the Prophet."

Acts 3:22-24

²²"Moses said, 'The Lord God WILL RAISE UP FOR YOU A PROPHET LIKE ME FROM YOUR BRETHREN; TO HIM YOU SHALL GIVE HEED to everything He says to you.

²³'And it will be that every soul that does not heed that prophet shall be utterly destroyed from among the people.'

Acts 3:22-24

²⁴"And likewise, all the prophets who have spoken, from Samuel and his successors onward, also announced these days.

Acts 7:47

³⁷"This is the Moses who said to the sons of Israel, 'GOD WILL RAISE UP FOR YOU A PROPHET LIKE ME FROM YOUR BRETHREN.'

John 1:1

¹In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

Hebrews 8:6

⁶But now He has obtained a more excellent ministry, by as much as He is also the mediator of a better covenant, which has been enacted on better promises.

Deut. 21:23

²³his corpse shall not hang all night on the tree, but you shall surely bury him on the same day (for he who is hanged is accursed of God), so that you do not defile your land which the LORD your God gives you as an inheritance.

Galatians 3:13

13 Christ redeemed us from the curse of the Law, having become a curse for us—for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who hangs on a TREE" ...

Messianic Prophecies Synthesis from the Law

- A coming Messiah, born of woman, will defeat Satan (Gen. 3:15)
- The Messiah would reverse the curse (Gen. 5:28-29)
- Messiah would be the seed of Abraham (Gen. 22:17-18)
- The Messiah would be a Jewish king from the tribe of Judah (Gen. 49:10)
- The coming of Messiah would be heralded by the astronomical sign of a star (Num. 24:17)
- The Messiah would be a Jewish prophet uniquely similar to Moses (Deut. 18:15-19)