

Seeing Jesus in the Old Testament

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Stepping Stones, Week 2: The Prophecies In ...

Day 6: The Pentateuch

The earliest prophecy of Jesus' birth and His plan to save us appears in Genesis. On page 53 of our study book, Lysa points out one reason this is such a big deal: It "shows us the hope for something to come." In your current life season, are you struggling to stay hopeful? Then try this: Read with curiosity. Seek to spot the promise after the punishment. Then let this truth sink in: long before you were born, God loved you enough to plan to save you through Jesus. He won't leave you where you are.

Day 7: Prayers and Praise

Waiting can be hard, right? Have you noticed, though, that hearing someone else's story of waiting and receiving is encouraging? It may not work out for you as it does for that person. But change and good can come from it. In today's reading, we will study Hannah. She was an ordinary woman like you and me. After a long season of waiting, God blessed her. She responded with prayers and praise. She opened her song by singing about Jesus! What did she share about Him? What does it mean that He's mentioned? Let's study today's lesson to discover the answers.

Day 8: Poetry

God was Provider and Sustainer of the ancient Israelites. He loved them and fully met all their needs. But eventually they asked for a human king. In today's study of Psalm 2, we'll learn about some of those ancient kings, along with a different kind of King. Who is the different King who Psalm 2 speaks of, and what can you learn about His character?

Day 9: Minor Prophets

So far we've read about Jesus' birth, His plan for salvation and His victory over the devil. He is the strong, anointed King we desperately need. Today we'll take a closer look at a passage of Scripture that foretells more details of Jesus' character. When you think about it, it's amazing that long before Jesus came to earth to die for us, people told of the exact location of His birth and how He is our perfect Savior. What's more — He fulfilled all the prophecies spoken about Him! Let's approach today's reading with awe. Amen!

Day 10: Messiah

We wrap up this week by studying the future. The Scriptures tell us that when Jesus comes back He will bring justice and righteousness. If you're not sure what those terms mean, today's pages will help you better understand both. We're not alone — Jesus is always with us. We're not helpless, even watching what's happening in our world in these times. Jesus is coming back, and He will rightly judge and restore. As you study today's lesson, think about what this truth means to you.