

The King Fulfills Prophecy, Part 1

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I. Introduction.

- A. Text: Matthew 2.
- B. Jesus is shown to be king by virtue of both homage, hatred and Messianic prophecies.
- C. Jesus fulfills over three hundred Messianic prophecies.
- D. Bethlehem, Egypt, Rhema and Nazareth are all significant to the birth of Christ.

II. The birth at Bethlehem. (Micah 5:2)

- A. The king comes from Bethlehem.
- B. No king of Israel could make a claim otherwise.

III. The exodus to Egypt.

- A. An angel appeared to Joseph and commanded him to flee to Egypt.
- B. Egypt is precisely where the Messiah had to go—only God knew this because of the obscurity of the Old Testament text. (Hosea 11:1)
- C. Israel is a type of Christ. Just as God protected Israel, he protected his Son Jesus.
- D. Egypt will be given a special place when Jesus returns possibly because of its role here. (Isaiah 19, Zephaniah 3)

Application Questions:

1. What is the value of the Messianic prophecies?

2. What is the connection between Jesus fleeing to Egypt as a child in Matthew 2 and Hosea 11:1? Explain.

3. What are some other Messianic prophecies that Christ fulfills? Explain the connection.
