



Prophecies Fulfilled by Jesus

One evidence that Jesus is the Messiah is the way He fulfilled messianic prophecies from the Old Testament. Below is a list of several prophecies Jesus fulfilled in Matthew 1–13. Jesus pointed to fulfilled prophecy to assure a struggling John the Baptist that He really is the Christ (Matt. 11:1-6).

EVENT IN JESUS’S LIFE	OLD TESTAMENT REFERENCE	FULFILLMENT IN MATTHEW
Virgin birth	Isaiah 7:14	Matthew 1:18,22-23
Birth in Bethlehem	Micah 5:2	Matthew 2:4-6
Refugee years in Egypt	Hosea 11:1	Matthew 2:14-15
Raised in Nazareth	Isaiah 11:1	Matthew 2:23
Preaching in Galilee	Isaiah 9:1-2	Matthew 4:12-16
Healing ministry	Isaiah 53:4	Matthew 8:16-17
Avoiding unwarranted attention	Isaiah 42:1-4	Matthew 12:16-21
Teaching in parables	Psalms 78:2	Matthew 13:34-35