**That it might be fulfilled – Matt. 1:22**

**Focal Truth: Jesus Christ birth & life fulfilled all the promised prophesies of the Old Testament**

We glorify the God who makes promises & keeps them – We preach Jesus Christ promised One!

**Promise made** – the seed of the woman will crush the head of the evil one

**Promise kept** – Jesus died, rose again & is coming again as the Promised One!

Creator – Savior – Judge

**Observations**

1. **The birth & life of Jesus Christ was predetermined to be fulfilled – 1:22**

*Now all this took place to fulfil what was spoken by the Lord through the prophet:*

*Behold the virgin shall be with child and shall bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel, which translated means, God with us*

*Do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the Child who has been conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. She will bear a Son and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins –* Matt. 1: 20 - 21

1. Matthew reveals all prophecies about the coming promised seed of Gen. 3:15 become real in Jesus Christ the Lord – **fulfil = to confirm the God’s will in prophecy & promises about the coming**
2. Jesus Christ the Lord is the fulfilment of prophesies of the prophets regarding the Coming One **fulfil = to complete perfectly, completely God’s will regarding the Coming One**
3. Jesus Christ the Lord was predetermined to be born of the woman’s seed by the Holy Spirit

Gen. 3:15 – *between your seed and her seed, He shall bruise you on the head*

Mary was pregnant with Lord Jesus during the one - year period between a man and a woman to be married – 1:18 – *found to be with child by the Holy Spirit*

The angel of the Lord tells Joseph that the child the Lord Jesus was conceived by the Holy Spirit – 1:20

**Acts 2:23 – *this Man, delivered over by the predetermined plan and foreknowledge of God, you nailed to a cross by the hands of godless men and put Him to death***

**Lk. 22:22 – indeed the Son of Man is going, as it has been determined…**

1. **The birth & life of Jesus Christ was promised to be fulfilled – 1:21**

*You will call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins*

1. The angel of the Lord tells Joseph that the child Jesus will save his people from their sins = He is Jesus – Promised Savior – Matt. 1:20

Jesus declared that He was the fulfilment of the promise of savior Luke 4:17 – 21

Isa. 61:1 – ff – *the Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor. He has sent Me to proclaim release to the captives, and recovery of sight to the blind, to set free those who are oppressed, to proclaim the favorable year of the Lord*

1. **Jesus declared; today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing**
2. The crowds cried the song of the Messiah Savior at His triumphal entry to Jerusalem Lk. 19:38 - ff

*Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord, peace in heaven and glory in*

*the highest!*

***Jesus declared: I tell you if these become silent the stones will cry out!***

1. **The birth & life of Jesus Christ was predicted to be fulfilled – 1:21**

*She will bear a Son….*

1. Jesus reminded the disciples after the resurrection that all predictions of the prophets must be fulfilled in Him

Luke 24:44 – *these are My words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that*

*all things which are written about Me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the*

*Psalms must be fulfilled*

Lk. 22:37 – *I tell you that this which is written must be fulfilled in Me, and He was*

*numbered with the transgressors, for that which refers to Me has its fulfillment*

1. The prophets spoken by the Holy Spirit predicting the coming of the Lord Jesus

2 Pet. 1:20 -21 – *know this that no prophecy of Scripture is a matter of one’s own interpretation, for no prophecy was ever made by an act of human will, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God*

1 Pet. 1:10 – 12 – *as to this salvation, the prophets who prophesied of the grace that would come to you made careful searches and inquiries, seeking to know what person or time the Spirit of Christ within them was indicating as He predicted the sufferings of Christ and the glories to follow*

Acts 3:18 – *but the things which God announced beforehand by the mouth of all the*

*prophets that Christ would suffer, He has fulfilled*

c. All the prophecies & promise have their complete fulfillment in Jesus Christ!

**2 Cor. 1:20** - **For as many as are the promises of God, in Him they are yes; and therefore, also through Him is our Amen to the glory of God through us**

* + All God’s promises are yes – Jesus Christ
  + All our Amens are to Jesus Christ the Lord to the glory of God!

1. **The birth & life of Jesus Christ was perfectly fulfilled – 1:21**

*Now all this took place to fulfill what was spoken by the Lord through the prophets*

1. The prophecy was perfectly fulfilled in the coming of Jesus Christ
   1. The virgin shall be with child
   2. The virgin will give birth to a son
   3. They shall call his name Immanuel – God with us
2. Jesus in garden reminded the crowd & disciples that all must be perfectly fulfilled which was written about His sufferings & death

Matt. 26: 52 – 56 - *put your sword back into its place, for all those who take up the sword shall perish by the sword, or do you think that I cannot appeal to My Father, and He will at once put at My disposal more than twelve legions of angels? How then will the Scriptures be fulfilled,* ***which say that it must happen this way?***

*At that time Jesus said to the crowds, have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest Me as you would against a robber? Every day I used to sit in the temple teaching and you did not seize Me. But all this has taken place to fulfill the Scriptures of the prophets. Then all the disciples left Him and fled*

***Things to Remember & Do***

1. God keeps all His promises in Jesus Christ the Lord!
2. What is written in God’s word comes to life in Jesus Christ the Lord!
3. Put your trust for everything in life & beyond in Jesus Christ the promised One!
4. Worship & serve Lord Jesus Christ the promised Savior & Lord of all!

***To the praise of the glory of His grace! The Lord is near to the door! Come Lord Jesus!***