Isaiah and Messianic Prophecy Season 1:
The Subtleties of Messianic Prophecy

Scripture

- **Matthew 2:13-15**
  Now when they had gone, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, “Get up! Take the Child and His mother and flee to Egypt and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is going to search for the Child to destroy Him.” So, Joseph got up and took the Child and His mother while it was still night and left for Egypt. He remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet: “OUT OF EGYPT I CALLED MY SON.”

- **Hosea 11:1**
  “When Israel was a youth, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called My son.”

- **Luke 24:25-27, 45**
  And He said to them, “O foolish men and slow of heart to believe in all that the prophets have spoken! Was it not necessary for the Christ to suffer these things and to enter into His glory?” Then beginning with Moses and with all the prophets, He explained to them the things concerning Himself in all the Scriptures. Then He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, and He said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ would suffer and rise again from the dead the third day,”

- **Isaiah 6:1**
  In the year of King Uzziah’s death I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, lofty and exalted, with the train of His robe filling the temple. Ser

Other Scriptures

- Daniel 12:4
- Acts 2:3
- Matthew 3:16
- Ezekiel 1:28

Main Points

- Jesus repeats the patterns in Israel’s history because Jesus is Israel’s divine head.
- In reliving Israel’s history, Jesus fulfilled the prophesy.
- Jesus is Israel’s divine representative, and the history that Israel went through comes to its head in Jesus.
- In order for the disciples to understand what was in the Old Testament about the Messiah, they had to supernaturally have their minds opened.
• We need to understand Messianic prophecy as being fulfilled in Jesus, because Jesus completes Israel’s history by living out the same patterns.
• A prophet is a spokesman for God.
• Israel was ruled by the Kings, the Prophets (God’s spokesmen) and the Priests (mediators between Israel and God).

Discussion Questions

1. What does It mean that Jesus is Israel’s Divine Head? What are some examples of this from the New Testament?

2. What are some examples of this from the New Testament?

3. How do we know that Jesus was repeating a pattern and not JUST completing a prophecy of a future event given in the Old Testament?

4. In whom does all Israel’s history come to a head?

5. How did Jesus open the minds of the disciples to understand the Old Testament Scriptures fulfilled in Himself?

6. What is a prophet? How was Isaiah different than the other prophets?

7. Understanding Isaiah’s book will make you a bolder witness. How?