

I Told You That Was Going To Happen!
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Knowledge From on High
The Bible accurately predicts the Future

1. Modern-day "psychics"

These people typically make hundreds of predictions. One or two come true and the rest do not. It is the true ones that are trumpeted.

2. Nostradamus and the horoscope

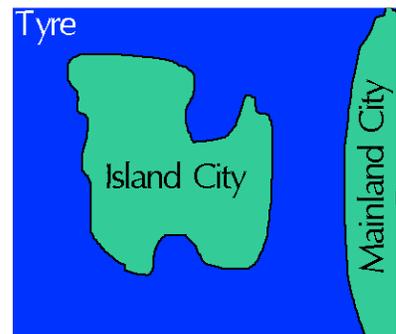
These sources typically make very vague predictions that can be interpreted to fit many situations.

The Bible gives DETAILED predictions, which ALL come true.

Ezekiel 26:3-21 predicts the fate of Tyre. This prophecy was most likely written in 590 BC. Definitely written by 250 BC.

"Tyre was not only a great city but was considered impregnable"
-Dr. Wallace Fleming

- 150-ft walls with battlements
- Easily defended ports
- Mainland as first line of defense from ground assault



1. **Nebuchadnezzar will destroy the mainland city and lay siege.**

In 585 BC, Nebuchadnezzar conquered the mainland and laid siege to the island city. He gave it up after 13 years.

2. Many nations will come against Tyre.

Alexander the Great, Antigonous, Moslems, and the crusaders all took turns conquering Tyre.

3. The city's debris would be thrown into the water.

In 333 BC, Alexander the Great conquered the mainland. To get to the island, he had his men *throw all the stones and timbers of the city into the water.*

4. The city would not be rebuilt.

"Tyre was reconquered by the Moslems in 690..and was laid in ruins, as it remains to this day." Nina Jidejian

5. It will become a place where fishermen spread their nets.

"The port [of Tyre] has become a haven for fishing boats and a place for spreading nets." Nina Jidejian

Micah 1:6 predicts the fate of Samaria.

This prophecy was most likely written in 695 BC. Definitely written by 250 BC.

Samaria was the capital of the northern Hebrew kingdom of Israel. It was conquered by at least two warriors: Alexander the Great (331 BC) and John Hyrcanus in 120 BC. It has a stormy history, but the real destruction of Samaria occurred after that. Thus the fulfillment of the predictions occurs well after we know the prophecy was written down.

1. Vineyards will be planted where the city once was.

2. The stones will be poured down into the valley.

"The stones of the great city have been taken up by the cultivators and piled together and thrown down the hill-sides, that its site might be turned into fields and vineyards."

-*The Wonders of Prophecy*, John Urquhart

3. The foundations shall be laid bare.

"The remains of magnificent buildings of that period...can easily be identified today."

- *Israel: An Uncommon Guide*, Joan Comay

The Messianic Prophecies

All were written down at least 250 years before Christ walked the face of the earth. Nevertheless, they accurately predict when and where He would be born, specific events in His life, and what would ultimately happen to Him.

Josh McDowell documents 332 separate prophecies that all came true in the life of Christ.

“But as for you, Bethlehem Ephratah,...From you One will go forth for Me to be ruler in Israel.” - Micah 5:2

“...Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea...” - Matthew 2:1

“...And out of Egypt I called My son.” - Hosea 11:1

“So Joseph got up and took the Child and His mother...and left for Egypt.” - Matthew 2:14

“...So they weighed out thirty shekels of silver as my wages. Then the LORD said to me, ‘Throw it to the potter, that magnificent price at which I was valued by them. So I took the thirty shekels of silver and threw them to the potter in the house of the LORD.’”

- Zechariah 11:12,13

“...And they weighed out thirty pieces of silver to him.”

- Matthew 26:15

“And he threw the pieces of silver into the temple sanctuary...”

- Matthew 27:5

“...and with the money bought the Potter’s Field...”

- Matthew 27:7

“They divide my garments among them, And for my clothing they cast lots.” - Psalm 22:18

“Then the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took His outer garments and made four parts, a part to every soldier and also the tunic; now the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece. So they said...Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it, to decide whose it shall be.” - John 19:23,24

“It will come about in that day, declares the Lord GOD, That I will make the sun go down at noon And make the earth dark in broad daylight.” - Amos 8:9

“Now from the sixth hour (noon) darkness fell upon all the land until the ninth hour.” - Matthew 27:45

Daniel 9:24-27

Seventy weeks have been decreed for your people and your holy city, to finish the transgression, to make an end of sin, to make atonement for iniquity, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal up vision and prophecy and to anoint the most holy place. So you are to know and discern that from the issuing of a decree to restore and rebuild Jerusalem until Messiah the Prince there will be seven weeks and sixty-two weeks; it will be built again, with plaza and moat, even in times of distress. Then after the sixty-two weeks the Messiah will be cut off and have nothing, and the people of the prince who is to come will destroy the city and the sanctuary And its end will come with a flood; even to the end there will be war; desolations are determined. And he will make a firm covenant with the many for one week, but in the middle of the week he will put a stop to sacrifice and grain offering; and on the wing of abominations will come one who makes desolate, even until a complete destruction, one that is decreed, is poured out on the one who makes desolate.

What is the Prophecy Saying?

- » Total of 70 weeks in the prophecy.
- » They are broken into 7, 62, and 1.
- » They start when the decree to rebuild Jerusalem is given.
- » From then, 69 weeks will pass until the Messiah is presented to the people of Israel.
- » The Messiah will then be cut off.

The last week does not necessarily have to connect with the other 69. Instead, it comes AFTER the Messiah is cut off.

So you are to know and discern that from the issuing of a decree to restore and rebuild Jerusalem until Messiah the Prince there will be seven weeks and sixty-two weeks

- “And it came about in the month of Nisan, in the twentieth year King Artaxerxes...I said to the king, ‘If it please the king...send me to Judah...that I may build it...So it pleased the king to send me... - Nehemiah 2:1-6
- Standard Hebrew practice is to not mention the day of the month when it is the first. Thus, this is the first of Nisan.
- We know from history that Artaxerxes took power in 465 BC. This is the 20th year, so it is Nisan 1, 444 BC. That corresponds to March 5, 444 BC on our calendar.
- The Hebrew word for “week” is “*shabua*” and simply means “a group of 7.”
- This “group of seven” can mean 7 days or 7 years.
- In this prophecy, we expect it to mean years, since Daniel 9:2 says, “...I Daniel, observed in the books the number of years which was revealed as the word of the Lord to Jeremiah the prophet...”
- Thus, the prophecy says that there will be 7 weeks of years (49 years) to rebuild Jerusalem, and then another 62 weeks of years (434 years) for a total of 483 years before the Messiah would be presented to the people.

How Would The Messiah Be Presented?

“Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout in triumph, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your King is coming to you; He is just and endowed with salvation; Humble, and mounted on a donkey, Even on a colt, the foal of a donkey.”

- Zechariah 9:9

History dates this event at March 30, AD 33, *precisely* 483 (Jewish) years after March 5, 444 BC

A Summary of the Prophecy

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| March 5, 444 BC | March 9, 395 BC | | March 30, AD 33 | |
| 7 weeks | | 62 weeks | A time of separation | |
| 49 years | | 434 years | 7 years | |



Decree from Artaxerxes



Jerusalem is rebuilt



Jesus' entry into Jerusalem



End times