



Direction

Jesus' Beginning Ministry

Jesus

THE PROMISED ONE

Messiah (Hebrew) Promised one

Christ (Greek) Anointed one

Old Testament
Prophecy

Messiah

Fulfilled
in New Testament

From Jesse's line—Around 700 B.C.

"And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots." — *Isa. 11:1*

"Jesus . . . which was the son of Jesse."
— *Luke 3:23, 32*

Virgin birth — Around 700 B.C.

"Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel."
— *Isa. 7:14*

"The angel Gabriel was sent from God . . . To a virgin . . . And the angel said . . . behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS." — *Luke 1:26–27, 30–31*

Birth place — Around 750 B.C.

"But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, . . . out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting."
— *Micah 5:2*

"Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king."
— *Matt. 2:1*

Forerunner — Around 400 B.C.

"Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me."
— *Malachi 3:1*

"In those days came John the Baptist . . . The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord." — *Matt. 3:1, 3*

Romans 12:1

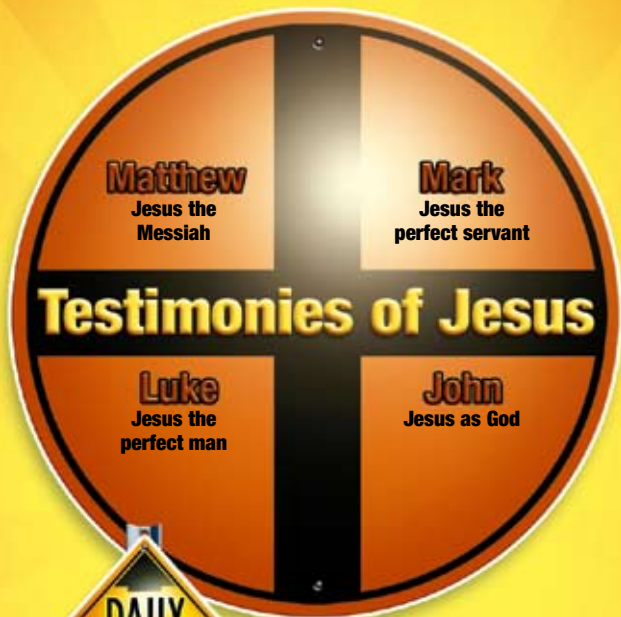
I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

Key Verse

Romans 12:1

Eyewitness Account

The Gospels are like 4 people, each standing on different corners of a busy intersection, and suddenly all 4 witness a traffic accident. Each testifies what he saw, since all the testimonies are needed to get the facts. Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John are the eyewitnesses who have each testified of Christ's earthly life from a different perspective.



**DAILY
DIRECTION**

Use Isa. 11:2 as the basis for your Bible reading this week. Think on it. Reread it each day. Ask God for His wisdom and understanding, His counsel and might, His knowledge and reverence as you read each day.

Scriptures to read this week

- M.** Isa. 11:1–4
- Tu.** Luke 1:1–25
- W.** Luke 1:26–38
- Th.** John 1:1–4; 20:31
- F.** Matt. 2:1–12
- Sa.** 2 Sam. 7:12–16
- Su.** John 16:26–33