

# Celebrating the Jesus of Prophecy

## II Peter 1:16-21

### The Real Reason for the Season

#### Advent Candles- 4 Truths We Remember About Jesus

<u>Purple:</u>	King, Anointed, Promised One
<u>White:</u>	Sinless, Innocent, Righteous One
<u>Red:</u>	Gracious, Sacrificing, Atoning One
<u>Green:</u>	Redeeming, Restoring, Healing One

### The Gospel in Pre-Christian Prophetic Writings

1. **Our faith is established by a known prophetic tradition fulfilled by the historical Jesus.**

*Skeptics can argue that nothing in the future is known or determined, unless there is a clear picture of the future revealed by prophets that is fulfilled in history precisely as revealed.*

It is a known fact that the entire Old Testament was completed as a collection of 39 books translated into Greek in Alexandria, Egypt, before 200 BC.

It is therefore a legitimate conclusion that if Jesus fulfills major components of a clear prophetic picture, we can trust Him as the one person in history who knows more about life and the future than any other person in history.

#### ***Advent is a Time to Remember the Prophetic Picture***

2. **The Prophetic Record of an Anointed King who will heal the world as we know it.**

Genesis 12:1-3 1800 BC

Genesis 49:8-12

II Samuel 7:12-17 1,000 BC

Isaiah 9:6-7 740 BC

Isaiah 11:1-10

***A Person predicted to have “authority” to bless every person in the world and establish Peace on Earth.***

3. **The early followers of Jesus established their faith on the prophetic tradition fulfilled by Jesus.**

Matthew 11:2-6

II Peter 1:16-21

***Today we celebrate Jesus as the “Anointed King” of prophecy who has already provided forgiveness of sins and will, no doubt, heal creation.***

### A Future Determined by Jesus Christ

- **A prophetically informed “faith in Jesus” is the only secure foundation upon which we can build our life.**
- **Faith in Jesus is a choice to sit at the feet of an Anointed King who can tell us what is most important in life.**
- **Our greatest obstacle to following Jesus in this life has nothing to do with His credentials.**

***Advent provides 4 weeks to Celebrate Jesus and to Evaluate Self in the light of what He Deserves.***

***“Life Groups” Week 2: Pick Up Info in the Courtyard.***

*Meet with Pastor Kevyn to catch up on what you have missed so you can prepare for attending in January!!!!*