

Joshua:
Seeing Christ in the Old Testament

Luke 24:25-27 (ESV)

THE OLD TESTAMENT PRIMARILY POINTS TO CHRIST IN HIS SUFFERING AND GLORY.

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1. The Old Testament primarily points to Christ
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Jesus

[27] And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

Jesus in the Old Testament: "... Christ is present throughout the Old Testament. He is not merely present through a physical appearance here and there, or through the right interpretation of this or that Old Testament prophecy or type, but he is there on every page as the central theme and storyline of the entire book. Rightly interpreted, the whole Old Testament is about Jesus Christ."

Peter

1 Peter 1:10-12 (ESV)

Paul

Acts 26:22-23 (ESV)

2. The Old Testament points to Christ's suffering and glory
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[26] Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?"

1 Corinthians 15:3-4 (ESV)

Jesus in the Old Testament: “According to Jesus and the apostles, then, when you interpret the Old Testament correctly, you find that its focus is not primarily stories about moral improvement, calls for social action, or visions concerning end-time events. Rather, the central message of the Old Testament is Jesus: specifically the sufferings of Christ and the glories that follow—both the glorious resurrection of Christ and the glorious inheritance that he has won for all of his people. ... But the heart of the message of the Old Testament is a witness to Christ, which centers on his suffering and glory, his death and resurrection.”

3. We ought to see Christ in the Old Testament

[25] And he said to them, “O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken!

Hebrews 1:1-2 (ESV)

1 Peter 1:12 (ESV)

4. Seeing Christ in the Old Testament produces ...

Luke 24:44-47 (ESV) [44] Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled.” [45] Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, [46] and said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, [47] and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem.

- a. Faith in God’s promises – he fulfilled everything written
- b. Faithfulness in Gospel proclamation – repentance and forgiveness should be preached