

## *T.A.P. into your Bible - Prophecy*

Transmission

Archeology

**Prophecy**

⇒ 2 Peter 1:19-21.

⇒ The Bible is \_\_\_\_\_ in the area of prophecy

⇒ If Biblical prophecy is not fulfilled then one may doubt the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Bible.

⇒ Isa. 46:9-10

### **Specific Prophecies**

#### **Example 1: Prophecy of Cyrus.**

◆ Isa. 44:28

◆ Isaiah written, no later than, \_\_\_\_\_ BC.

◆ Cyrus came to the throne, \_\_\_\_\_ BC; allowed Jews to return, \_\_\_\_\_ BC.

Isaiah named a ruler and what he would do over \_\_\_\_\_ **years** before the event!!!

## Example 2: Prophecy of Tyre.

◆ Ezek. 26:4-16

Specific Prophecy	Fulfillment	Odds
Nebuchadnezzar will destroy mainland (vv. 7-8)		
Rubble of city will be thrown into the sea (v.12).		
Many nations will invade Tyre (vv. 3-4).		
The city will be a flat rock (vv. 4, 14).		
Nations fear because of Tyre (15-16).		
Tyre never to be rebuilt (v.14).		
Fisherman will dry nets on it (vv. 5, 14).		

Probability to predict =

1 in \_\_\_\_\_

**Example 3: Messianic Prophecies, fulfilled in Christ.**

Prophecy Description	Prophecy / Fulfillment	Odds
Bethlehem Birthplace.	Micah 5:2 / Matt 2:1	1 in 280,000
Forerunner.	Mal 3:1/Matt 3:1-2	1 in 1,000
Enter Jerusalem on colt as ruler.	Zech 9:9 / Matt 21:7-9	1 in 10,000
Friend betrays/Hand wounds.	Zech 13:6 / Luke 22:47, 23:33	1 in 1,000
Betrayed for 30 silver pcs.	Zech 11:12 / Matt 26:15	1 in 10,000
Cast 30 silver pcs to buy potter field	Zech 11:13 / Matt 27:5-7	1 in 100,000
Innocent but no defense.	Isa 53:7 / Matt 26:63	1 in 10,000
Crucified.	Psa 22:16 / Matt 27:35	1 in 10,000

- ◆ Probability these 8 being fulfilled in one man?

**1 in 10**——

- ◆ Cover the land area of the world in \_\_\_\_\_ ft deep with silver dollars. Mark one, hide it, and ask someone to find it on 1<sup>st</sup> try.
- ◆ Probability of 48 similar prophecies being fulfilled in one man?

**1 in 10**——

- ◆ The estimated number of electrons in the **universe** is around **10<sup>79</sup>**.
- ◆ There are over \_\_\_\_\_ prophecies about Jesus' first coming!

There are more prophecies about His \_\_\_\_\_ coming than his first!!!

**Conclusion:**

2 Peter 1:19 “. . . you do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place . . .”

- ◆ Are you lighting your “lamp” regularly?
- ◆ Do you remember to bring your “lamp” in every day life?

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