

## **Eight Circles of Certainty**

A Simple and Effective Approach to  
Presenting Messianic Prophecy

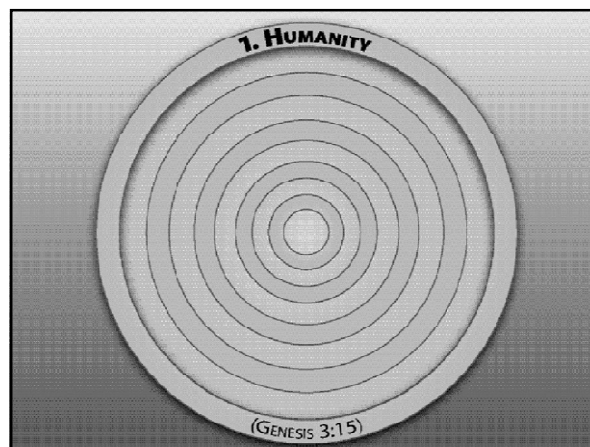
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## **Building a Cumulative Argument**

- Goal - Construct a cumulative portrait of Messiah
- Especially powerful to stay in OT
- Especially powerful to *not* mention Jesus/Yeshua
- Your friends will convince themselves!

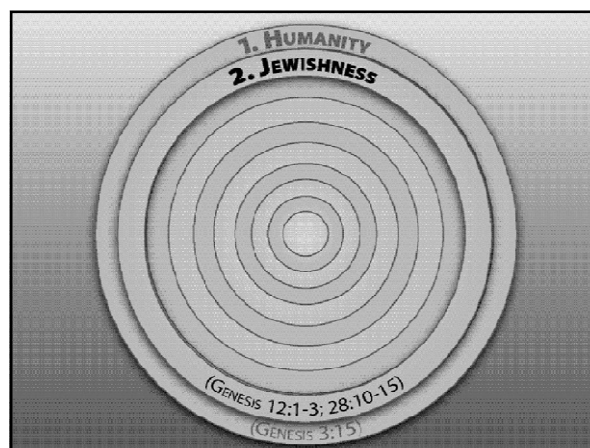
## **Building a Cumulative Argument**

- Construct eight circles
  - One at a time
  - From the outside in
  - Label each circle in turn
  - Avoid overwhelming with Scripture
  - Informal, best done on a napkin or envelope!



## **Messiah Has To Be Human**

- **14** The Lord God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. **15** I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel" (Gen 3).



### Messiah Has To Be Jewish

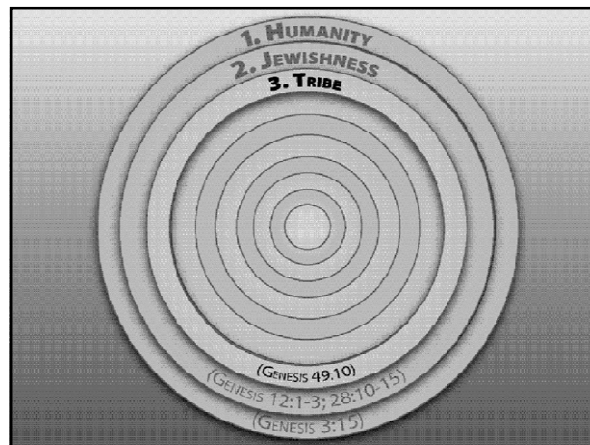
- <sup>1</sup> Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. <sup>2</sup> I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. <sup>3</sup> I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed" (Gen 12).

### Messiah Has To Be Jewish

- <sup>10</sup> Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. <sup>11</sup> He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. <sup>12</sup> And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it (Gen 28).

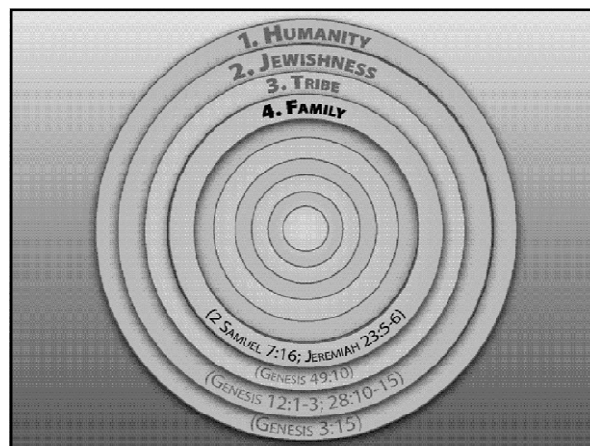
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- <sup>13</sup> And the LORD stood beside him and said, "I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; <sup>14</sup> and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring (Gen 28).



### Messiah Has To Be From the Tribe of Judah

- <sup>10</sup> The scepter shall not depart from Judah, nor the ruler's staff from between his feet, until tribute comes to him; and the obedience of the peoples is his.

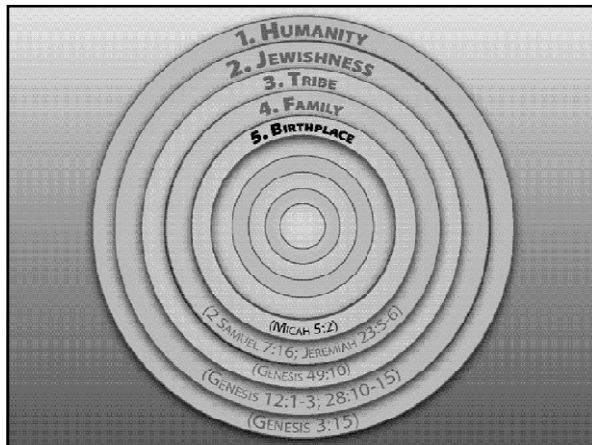


Messiah Has To Be  
From David's Family

- <sup>16</sup> Your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me; your throne shall be established forever. <sup>17</sup> In accordance with all these words and with all this vision, Nathan spoke to David.

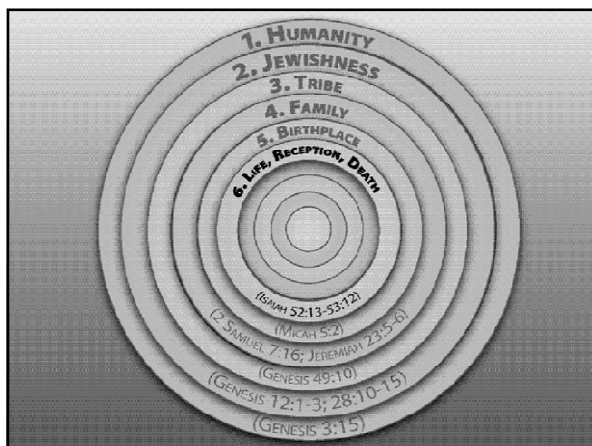
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- <sup>5</sup> The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. <sup>6</sup> In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."



Messiah Has To Be  
Born In Bethlehem

- <sup>2</sup> But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days.

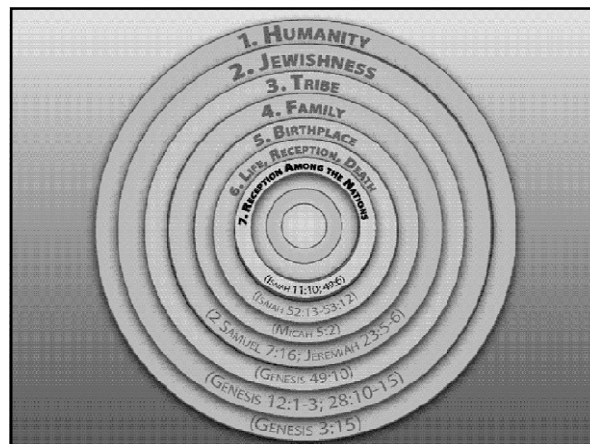


Messiah Has To Be Sinless, Rejected,  
Executed in a Judicial Proceeding

- <sup>3</sup> He was despised and rejected by others; a man of suffering and acquainted with infirmity; and as one from whom others hide their faces he was despised, and we held him of no account. <sup>4</sup> Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted.

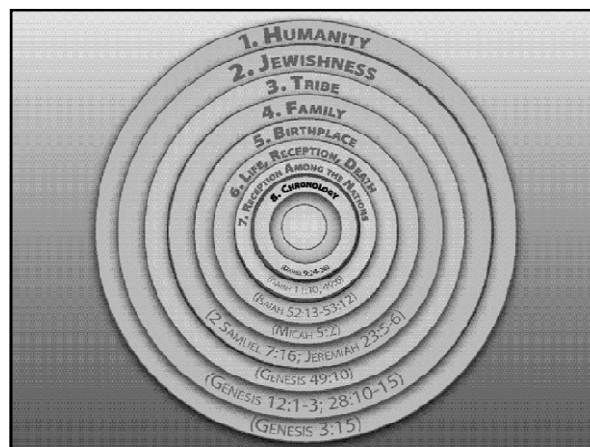
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- <sup>7</sup> He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth.
- <sup>8</sup> By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. <sup>9</sup> They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.



### Messiah Has To Be Welcomed By the Nations

- **Isaiah 11:10** On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.
- **Isaiah 49:6** "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth."

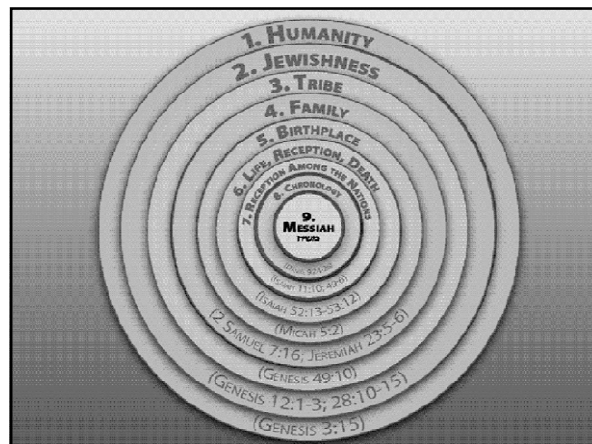
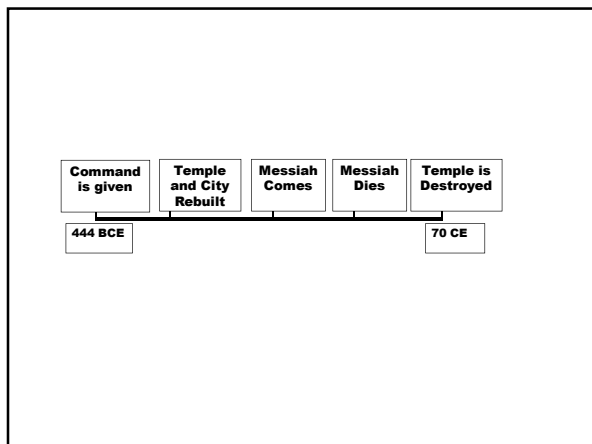


### Messiah Has To Die Between 444 BCE and 70 CE

- <sup>24</sup> "Seventy weeks are decreed for your people and your holy city: to finish the transgression, to put an end to sin, and to atone for iniquity, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal both vision and prophet, and to anoint a most holy place. <sup>25</sup> Know therefore and understand: from the time that the word went out to restore and rebuild Jerusalem until the time of an anointed prince, there shall be seven weeks; and for sixty-two weeks it shall be built again with streets and moat, but in a troubled time.

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- <sup>26</sup> After the sixty-two weeks, an anointed one shall be cut off and shall have nothing, and the troops of the prince who is to come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary. Its end shall come with a flood, and to the end there shall be war. Desolations are decreed. <sup>27</sup> He shall make a strong covenant with many for one week, and for half of the week he shall make sacrifice and offering cease; and in their place shall be an abomination that desolates, until the decreed end is poured out upon the desolator."



The Messiah's Credentials:

1. A human being	6. Sinless, Rejected by the Jewish People and Executed
2. A Jew	7. Welcomed by the Nations
3. From the Tribe of Judah	8. Lives and Dies Between 444 BCE and 70 CE
4. From the Family of David	
5. Born in Bethlehem	

The Big Question . . .

**• *If all of this is true, and in the Jewish Bible, why can't Jewish People see this?***

Why don't Jewish people see this

1. *A hardening in part has happened to Israel*
2. *Our people do not know the Bible*
3. *Their fundamental assumptions make this unthinkable*
4. *Yeshua's Name has been ruined by antisemitism and anti-Judaism*

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