

## CHRIST IN THE OLD TESTAMENT

### 1. THE FACT THAT CHRIST APPEARED IN THE OLD TESTAMENT

John 14:6-11, 1:18, God is only known through Christ "at any time," i.e. Old Testament times as well. The Jehovah of the O.T. is the Jesus of the N.T. "Jehovah" is the "I AM" (Ex. 3:13, 14 & 6:3), so Christ declared Himself to be the "I AM" (Jehovah) John 8:57-58.

### 2. THE PERSONS TO WHOM CHRIST APPEARED IN THE O.T.

- (a) ADAM & EVE: Gen. 3:8. CAIN: Gen. 4:6, 9,13,15,16.
- (b) PATRIARCHS: Abraham: Gen. 17:1-3. Isaac: Gen. 26:2. Jacob: Gen. 35:9,13. Moses: Ex. 33:17-23.
- (c) PRIESTS & ELDERS: Exodus 24:9-11.
- (d) JUDGES: Gideon: Judg. 6:12, 16. Samuel: I Sam. 3:10, 21.
- (e) KINGS: David: 11 Chr. 3:1. Solomon: 11 Chr. 1:7.
- (f) PROPHETS: Isaiah 6:1, 8. Jer. 1:9. Dan. 3:23-25. From this we see that the revelation of God through Christ is not for any limited class but is for all.

### 3. THE MANNER IN WHICH CHRIST APPEARED IN THE O.T.

- (a) AS A MAN: Gen. 18:1-3,17, 33. Gen. 32:24-30. Joshua 5:13-15 & 6:2. Judges 13:10 & 22.
- (b) AS AN ANGEL: ("The angel of the Lord" is Christ). Judg. 6:12, 15, 16. Ex. 3:2, 6. Num. 22:22, 28, 35,
- (c) IN A CLOUD: Ex. 19:9,16, 16-24. Ex. 20:1, 18. Ex. 24:9-18. Exodus 34:5, 6. Leviticus 16:2.
- (d) IN DREAMS AND VISIONS: I Kings 3:5. Ezek. 1:1, 3:22-23.
- (e) IN A STILL SMALL VOICE: I Kings 19:11-15.

### 4. THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH CHRIST APPEARED IN THE O.T.

- (a) TO JUDGE: Adam: Gen. 3:0-19. Cain: Gen. 4:8-12,16.
- (b) TO REVEAL: Abraham: Gen. 17:1-3, 7, 8. Moses: Ex. 34:1-5.
- (c) TO DIRECT: Isaac: Gen. 26:1, 2. Gideon: Judg. 6:13-16. Jeremiah 1:7, 8. Samuel: I Sam. 3:10-14.
- (d) TO BLESS: Jacob: Gen. 35:9. Solomon: 2 Chr. 1:7-12.

## 5. THE CONTRAST WITH THE NEW TESTAMENT APPEARANCES.

(a) In the O.T. times: temporary and occasional. Gen. 17:22 & 18:33, Judges 6:21.

(b) During His life on earth: subject to the limitations of mankind. Matt. 1:21, 23. John 9:4, 5 & 13:33.

(c) At His second coming: glorious, universal, eternal.

(aa) For the Church (unseen by world) I Thes. 4:16-17.

(bb) With the Church (seen by all). Revelation 1:7. Matt. 24:27, 30. Col. 3:4.