THE MANNA IS A TYPE OF CHRIST

I. THE MANNA WAS SENT TO ISRAEL IN A BARREN DESERT

Ex. 16:3 "into this wilderness.. with hunger"

Jer. 2:6 "wilderness.. deserts ... drought ... death" Israel could find no food in the desert.

CHRIST WAS SENT TO US IN A SPIRITUALLY BARREN WORLD

Isa. 55:2 "wherefore... spend... for that which is not bread?"

I John. 2:16 "all that is in the world.. NOT of the Father"

II. THE MANNA CAME TO ISRAEL AS A GIFT FROM GOD

Ex. 16:4 "I (the Lord) will rain bread from heaven for you"

Ex. 16:15 "this is the bread which the Lord hath given."

Ex. 16:32 "the bread wherewith I have fed you"

CHRIST CAME TO US AS A GIFT FROM GOD

John. 3:16 "God so loved the world that He gave His.. Son"

John. 6:33, 48-51 "I am the living bread. . from heaven"

Ex. 16:14, Size "small", outwardly unimpressive Isa. 53:2

Ex. 16:14, Shape...round", i.e., flaky as though beaten 53:7

Ex. 16:31, Color "white", Christ is holy Heb. 7:26, Isa. 53:9

Ex. 16:31, Sweet "0 taste and see..." Psa. 34:8

III. THE MANNA WAS UNRECOGNIZED BY ISRAEL ALTHOUGH FORETOLD BY GOD

Ex. 16:12, 15, 16 "ye shall be filled with bread.. They wist not what it was.

This is the bread" God Himself had to tell Israel what the manna was.

CHRIST WAS UNKNOWN IN THE WORLD ALTHOUGH FORETOLD BY GOD

Lk. 24:27 "in all the scriptures.. concerning Himself

John. 1: 10 "He was in the world.. the world knew Him not" God Himself had to reveal who Christ is, Mt. 3:17; 16:17.

IV. THE MANNA HAD TO BE GATHERED AND EATEN BY ISRAEL

Ex. 16:16-18 "gather of it every man according to his eating"

CHRIST MUST BE RECEIVED AND TRUSTED BY US

John. 6:54 "whoso eateth My flesh.. hath eternal life"

John. 6:58 "he that eateth of this bread shall live forever"

V. THE MANNA WAS ISRAEL'S DAILY FOOD UNTIL THEIR JOURNEY ENDED

Ex. 16:4 "people shall.. gather a certain rate every day"

Ex. 16:21 "and they gathered it every morning"

Ex. 16:35 "Israel did eat manna forty years, until..."

CHRIST IS OUR DAILY PORTION UNTIL OUR JOURNEY ENDS

2 Pet. 3:18 "grow (constantly).. knowledge of...Christ"

I Pet. 2:2, 3 Jer. 15:16 Job 23:12

VI. THE MANNA WAS PLACED IN THE VERY PRESENCE OF GOD

Ex. 16:32-34 "a pot- of manna...lay it up before the Lord"

Heb. 9:3, 4 "the Holiest of all; which had.. manna"

CHRIST HAS BEEN EXALTED TO THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD

Luke 24:51 'He was.., carried up into heaven" Heb. 9:11, 12 "Christ.. entered in once into the holy place" Heb. 9:24 "into heaven itself.. An the presence of God"