

Doctrine of the Messianic Hope: Part 2

(Prelude to Christmmas)

4. **Christ is the Righteous Branch** – (*tsemach*, branch); Isa 11: 1; 4:2; 53:2; 60:21
Jer 23:5-8 – He is the righteous Branch; Isa 4:2-6 – the beautiful glorious Branch; Isa 11:1-5 – the Branch of the root of Jesse; Zech 3:8-10 – “my servant the Branch”; Zech 6:12-13 – the “man” called the “Branch”

5. **Christ is the Five Fold Fulfillment of the Branch Revelations (He is ...)**
 - Our righteousness – Rom 3:22; 10:3-4; 1 Cor 1:30; Phil 3:9; 2 Pet 1:1
 - Our Redeemer, Defender – Gal 1:4; 4:4-5; Eph 1:7, 13-17; 6:10ff; Col 1:14
 - Our Wisdom and Discernment – Lk 2:52; 1 Cor 1:24; Rev 5:12
 - Our Servant – Mt 12:18; 20:26-27; Phil 2:6
 - Our Prophet/Priest/King – 1 Tim 2:5; Heb 7:25-28; 10:10-12

6. **Christ the Priest-King of Salem (a type)** – Gen 14:18-24
 - Melchizedek – the priest-king of Salem of God Most High – see Heb 7:1-10
 - Jesus – God’s only representative allowed to be both Priest and King – see Zech 6:9-15 (cf. Uzziah 2 Chr 26:16-21)

7. **Christ the Anointed of God** (*moshiach*)– Isa 61:1-11 – Servant of the Lord
 - Anointing - a Commission to task for prophets, priests, kings 1 Sam 16:12-13
 - Jesus - God’s Anointed representative 61:1ff – cf.. Lk4:16ff
 - Believers – Anointed in Christ with the Holy Spirit 1 Jn 2:20, 27

8. **Christ: the Center of all Old Testament Covenants**
Adamic Covenant – Gen 3:15; Noah’s Covenant – Gen 9; Abrahamic Covenant– Gen 12:1-3; 15:1-21; 17:1-16; Mosaic Covenant, Ex 19:1-8; Davidic Covenant – 2 Sam 7:1-17; New Covenant – Jer 31:31-40.

9. **Christ is the Alpha and Omega** – Rev 1:8
 - He is the first Gospel hope in Scripture, Gn 3:15, 49:10;
 - He is the final thought in Scripture Rev 22:20-21
 - He is the grand subject of everything between Gen 1:1 and Rev 22:21
 - He is the sum of all Scripture Jn 5:39; Jn 8:31-32; 14:6

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