

Evidence of the Impossible

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Ruler, born of Judah, in Bethlehem

“But you, Bethlehem,
Ephrathah, though you
are small among the
clans of Judah, out of
you will come for me
one who will be ruler
over Israel, whose
origins are from of
old, of ancient times.”

– Micah 5:2

“After Jesus was born in
Bethlehem in Judea
during the time of
King Herod, Magi
from the east came to
Jerusalem and asked,
‘Where is the one who
has been born king of
the Jews?’

– Matthew 2:1-2

Micah and Matthew

Micah wrote during the eighth century BC. In Jewish history this would have been during the reigns of King Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah (Micah 1:1) World history reveals that this was during the Assyrian Empire.

Matthew gives no specific date in the text, but is believed to have been written prior to 80AD. This would have been during the Roman Empire.

Kings bring gifts and bow

“The kings of Sheba and Seba will present him gifts. All kings will bow down to him and all nations will serve him.”

– Psalm 72:10, 11

“Magi from the east came to Jerusalem... they bowed down and worshipped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts.”

– Matthew 2:1,11

Psalms 72 and Matthew

Psalms 72 was written by Solomon. He reigned as the King of Israel for 40 years during the 10th century BC.

Again, Matthew is believed to have been written prior to 80AD, during the Roman Empire.

30 pieces of silver, thrown into the temple to the potter

“And the LORD said to me, ‘Throw it to the potter’ – the handsome price at which they priced me! So I took the thirty pieces of silver and threw them into the house of the LORD to the potter.”

– Zechariah 11:13

“...Judas...returned the thirty silver coins ...threw the money into the temple...The chief priests...decided to use the money to buy the potter’s field...”

– Matthew 27:3,5-7

Zechariah and Matthew

Zechariah wrote during the sixth century BC. There was no King in Israel at this time, since the Israeli King Zedekiah had been taken captive by the Babylonian Emperor, Nebuchadnezzar, in 586 BC. Zechariah lived during the reign of King Darius of the Persian Empire (Zechariah 1:1)

Matthew – shown previously

Silent before oppressors

“He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; he was led like a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth.”

– Isaiah 53:7

“Then the high priest stood up before them and asked Jesus, ‘Are you not going to answer?’ But Jesus remained silent and gave no answer.

– Mark 14:60

Isaiah and Mark

Isaiah wrote during the eighth century BC. In Jewish history this would have been during the reigns of King Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah (Isaiah 1:1) World history reveals that this was during the Assyrian Empire.

Mark is believed to have been written around 68 AD. This would have been during the Roman Empire.

Beaten, spat upon, mocked

“I offered my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who pulled out my beard; I did not hid my face from mocking and spitting.”

– Isaiah 50:6

“And they began to call out to him, ‘Hail, king of the Jews!’ Again and again they struck him on the head with a staff and spit on him... they...mocked him.”

– Mark 15:18 - 20

Isaiah and Mark

Isaiah and Mark – as previously shown

With transgressors, prays for

“...he poured out his life unto death, and was numbered with the transgressors. For he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

– Isaiah 53:12

“...there they crucified him, along with the criminals – one on the right, the other on his left. Jesus said, ‘Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.’”

– Luke 23:33 – 34

Isaiah and Luke

Isaiah – shown previously

Luke is believed to have been written around 60 AD, and was written by the same author who wrote the book of Acts. These are the only two books from Genesis to Revelation that were not written by a Jew. As with the other Gospels, this would have been written during the Roman Empire.

Pierced, lots cast for clothing

“Dogs have surrounded me; a band of evil men has encircled me, they have pierced my hands and my feet... They divide my garments among them and cast lots for my clothing.”

– Psalm 22:16, 18

“And they crucified him. Dividing up his clothes, they cast lots to see what each would get.”

– Mark 15:24

Psalms 22 and Mark

Psalms 22 was written by David. He was Israel's second King and served for 40 years. His reign began late in the 11th century. World history places his reign after the Egyptian's ceased to be an Empire and before the Assyrian's became one.

Mark – as previously discussed.

Passover lamb without a broken bone

“They must not leave any of it till morning or break any of its bones.” – Numbers 9:12

“he protects all his bones, not one of them will be broken.”
– Psalm 34:20

“...the Jews...asked Pilate to have the legs broken and the bodies taken down. But when they came to Jesus and found that he was already dead, they did not break his legs.”
– John 19:31 – 33

Numbers, Psalms, and John

Numbers, the fourth book of the Torah, is believed to have been written by Moses during the 15th century BC. World history places this during the 18th, and most powerful dynasty, of the Egyptian Empire.

Psalms 34 – written by King David

John – The fourth of the Gospels, and the last one written. It is believed to have been written late in John's life, app. 85-95AD. This was during the Roman Empire.

Probabilities

- 8 prophecies met in one person
- 1×10^{17} or less than 1 in a quadrillion
- If spread over the state of Texas, this many silver dollars would stand two feet deep. If we marked one with an X, stirred the whole mass thoroughly, blindfolded a man, and gave him one chance to pick the right one across the whole state, this is his chance of picking the one with the X.

How to find Peace today

“Peace I leave you, my peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, nor let it be fearful.”

The words of Christ as found in John 14:27