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“Prophetic Proofs”

Isaiah 46:9-11

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One of the greatest proofs of the Bible is predictive prophecy that comes to pass and is fulfilled with amazing accuracy years after the prophecy is made!

- This is **the argument** for the validity of Scripture **based upon the omniscience of God!**
- **The argument is this:** Since the Bible contains 'prewritten history,' and such is humanly impossible, it therefore must be the product of a divine being who is omniscient; i.e. God! In other words, the Bible is God's book!
- "Only God can give us history before it happens, detail by detail ..." Legitimate prophecy, he says is "... the statement of historical fact that is unpredictable and contingent and unknowable and future." - **Macalvane**
- "In my mind, the single greatest proof of the truthfulness of this book [the Bible] is fulfilled prophecy! It is absolutely staggering in its amount; it is extra Biblical in its verification; it is unanswerable as an argument for the validity of Scripture!" - **John MacArthur**

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The standard for predictive prophecy by God's prophets

- "But a prophet who presumes to speak in my name anything I have not commanded him to say, or a prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, must be put to death."
- You may say to yourselves, "How can we know when a message has not been spoken by the LORD?" If what a prophet proclaims in the name of the LORD does not take place or come true, that is a message the LORD has not spoken. That prophet has spoken presumptuously. Do not be afraid of him." - Deuteronomy 18:20-22
- "But the prophet who prophesies peace will be recognized as one truly sent by the LORD only if his prediction comes true." - Jeremiah 28:9

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God uses predictive prophecy as a 'confirmation' and 'proof' of His Word

- Genesis 21:2 - "*Sarah became pregnant and bore a son to Abraham in his old age, at the very time God had promised him.*"

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- John 2:18-19 - "... Then the Jews demanded of him, "What miraculous sign can you show us to prove your authority to do all this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and I will raise it again in three days."

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Isa. 40-53 Is an extended passage of Scripture where God contrasts Himself with the false gods of paganism

- Isaiah 41:21 - "*Present your case,*" says the LORD. "*Set forth your arguments,*" says Jacob's King.
- "Bring in your idols to tell us what is going to happen. Tell us what the former things were, so that we may consider them and know their final outcome. Or declare to us the things to come, tell us what the future holds, so we may know that you are gods."

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Isaiah 46:9-10

- "... I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like me.
- I make known the end from the beginning, from ancient times, what is still to come.
- I say: My purpose will stand, and I will do all that I please."

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The Amazing Prophecy Against The City Of Tyre In Ezekiel 26

- **lv. 3b - “... *I will bring many nations against you, like the sea casting up its waves ...*”**