

The Christ

Mark 8:27-38

One who attempts to quench his thirst in seawater will only find himself thirstier still. If he keeps drinking, eventually he will die. Likewise, one who attempts to quench his spiritual thirst with temporal stuff will only find himself thirsty for more. This world's treasures simply cannot satisfy our souls. They were never intended to do so. Jesus is the only remedy for our spiritual hunger. It's the greatest kindness, then, to invite others to "taste and see that the Lord is good" (Ps. 34:8).

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I. WHO OR WHAT IS THE CHRIST?

The Hebrew word *Messiah* and the Greek word *Christ* both refer to the same thing: "anointed one." In the Old Testament, only three offices received such an anointing from God: prophets (e.g., 1 Ki 19:16), priests (e.g., Ex 28:41), and kings (e.g., 1 Sam 10:1).

II. WHAT ARE THE EXPECTATIONS OF THE CHRIST?

Would he restore true worship in Israel as a true High Priest? (Zech 3)

Would he revive a love for God's word in Israel as the Great Prophet? (Deut 18)

Would he rule Israel and conquer her enemies as the Davidic King? (2 Sam 7)

Then how is Daniel 7 possibly related to Isaiah 53?

III. WHAT ARE THE CHRIST'S EXPECTATIONS OF US?

Denial

Loss

Forfeit

Shame

Glory