

Outline – April 10, 2022
Luke 24:25-27; 44
Acts 3:18; Galatians 4:4-5

Examine All Things (1 Thessalonians 5:21)

- I. **When it comes to what you believe (or don't believe), have you examined it carefully?**
 - A. The belief in the Bible (unlike any other literature in the world)
 1. Written over 1,400 years
 2. Written by 40 different authors
 3. Written in 2 primary languages
 4. Written on 3 continents
 5. Written in differing places
 6. Written in various styles of literature
 7. All pointing to one person Jesus the Messiah
 - B. Who is this person (Jesus)?
 1. In history unlike anyone else
 2. In the Hebrew scripture unlike anyone else
 3. Has an assortment of names
 - a. Son of Man
 - b. Messiah
 - c. Prophet, Priest, King
 - d. Son of the Most High
- II. **But how can we know... not an imposter, not mislead, not counterfeit?**
 - A. We want our faith to be sure
 - B. Our hope to be secure
 - C. Our love to be sincere
 - D. Our eternal life to be solid
- III. **God put certain "locks" on who Messiah would be (only one has the key to all the locks) – 10 locks to examine**
 - A. Lock one – a unique birth and genealogy
 1. Seed of woman – Genesis 3:15
 2. Descendent of Abraham – Genesis 12:2-3
 3. Descendant of Isaac and Jacob
 4. Descendent of Judah – Genesis 49
 5. Descendent of David – 2 Samuel
 - B. Lock two – born in a certain time
 1. Genesis 49 – before Judah loses the scepter
 2. Daniel 9:24-27; 483 after Artaxerxes decrees the rebuilding of Jerusalem
 3. Malachi 3:1 – before the destruction of the 2nd temple

- C. Lock three – born in Bethlehem, traveled to Egypt, return to Judah
Micah 5:2; Hosea 11:1
 - D. Lock four – a forerunner – Malachi 4:5; Isaiah 40:3-5
 - E. Lock five – miracle worker – Isaiah 61:1
 - F. Lock six – rides into Jerusalem on a donkey – Zechariah 9:9
 - G. Lock seven – betrayed by a friend - 30 pieces of Silver – Psalm 41:9
 - H. Lock eight – the type of death – Psalm 22
 - I. Lock nine – the players at His death – Isaiah 53; Psalm 22
 - J. Lock ten – the reason for His death – Isaiah 53
- IV. The prophecy of resurrection**
- A. Psalm 16:11
 - B. 333 Messianic prophecies
 - C. 456 specific details
 - D. The mathematical impossibility this was all by “chance or coincidence”
- V. The prophecy of future resurrection and return**
- A. The signs
 1. Deception, apostasy
 2. Potential planet destruction
 3. Gospel in all nations
 4. Israel a nation
 5. Cashless society
 6. Cultural turmoil
 7. Pestilence
 8. Weather pattern changes
 9. Wars, rumors of war
 10. Revived Roman empire
 - B. The returning King
 1. Reigns on throne of David
 2. All things new
 3. Peace on earth
- VI. Jesus unlocks the locks**
- A. Brings hope
 - B. Brings life
 - C. Brings grace
 - D. Brings salvation to all who believe

**He Is The
Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer**