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Where God's Character is Proclaimed



## Messianic Prophecies

By Kam Ferguson

While some people question whether Jesus was a real historical person, many accept that He was real. Others declare that Jesus is a good man, a prophet who will return to earth, yet is not divine. Some profess Jesus to be a lesser god while the Father is the only eternal God.

The Bible is the most extensive record of Jesus' life on earth. Anyone who questions Jesus' identity, let alone his character, would do well to examine this Book which makes such amazing claims and truthfully records history.

The Bible not only records Jesus' life, but it also predicts many features and events of His life, including the character He would manifest while living on earth.

These prophecies include: the tribe from which He would descend (Gen. 49:10), several named members of His family line (Isa. 9:6-7, 11:1,11), when and where He would be born (Dan. 9:25, Mic. 5:2), a virgin birth (Is. 7:14), His time spent in Egypt as a child (Hos. 11:1), and how He dies (Is. 53:12), to name just eight prophecies! Scripture contains 60 major and 290 minor (smaller details) messianic prophecies, and Jesus Christ fulfilled all 350 of them!

Statisticians calculate the odds of one human being fulfilling even 8 of these prophecies is  $1 \times 10^{17}$  (1 with 17 zeros). The odds of one person fulfilling 48 of these prophecies is  $1 \times 10^{157}$ . [1] That's staggering! For perspective,

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Remember, Jesus IS the Reason for the Season!

# Is God Love?

By David Bolduc

Satan, the enemy, carefully conceals doubt in the 3 subtle suggestions to tempt Jesus in the wilderness. Satan's weapon was the game changing word, "IF". Those suggestions were as obvious to Jesus as a snowball in the face! The temptations of food, fame, and fortune found no resonating chord in His heart of Love for His Father.

I try to read Matt. 27:24-55 at least once a day. Ellen White counsels us to spend a thoughtful hour each day contemplating the life of Christ, especially the closing scenes on the cross. The three "IFs" in verses 40-43 stood out to me. Christ's heart was so full of love that self-preservation had no room there, even when tempted by people at the cross, ALL the hosts of evil angels, plus Satan himself.



While Jesus hung on the cross, Satan used the words of the mocking throng to tempt Him one last time using the word "IF". They misquoted Christ's statement about tearing down the temple and rebuilding it: if Jesus were to come down from the cross, He would not be able to rebuild His body temple in three days by rising from the dead.

Second, the throng said, "He saved others, Himself He cannot save." The enemy used these words to mock Jesus. He knew Jesus could not save others if He saved Himself.

Third, the throng said scornfully, "He trusted in God, let God deliver Him now, if He will". The statement is blasphemy. Jesus' great love and trust in His Father, and His love for all of mankind, including the mocking throng, meant that coming down from the cross was not an option.

3ABN's founder, Danny Shelton's song is so fitting, "It Was Love". The song points out that the nails were not what kept Jesus on the cross. It was His great love for all mankind.

The enemy tries to make us think we are in the worst spot. He then tries to justify in our minds an "easy" way of escape that is contrary to God's will. What is really in my heart? How do I react when squeezed by the enemy? Like a toothpaste tube, only what is within me will come out. This year of COVID we are all learning things about ourselves we may not have known before. I have been pressed in many ways, and it wasn't always

## Is God Love? (continued)

the love of God flowing out of me, but God is showing us how we can grow to be more like Him, both individually and as a ministry.

For many years, Strong Tower Radio (STR) has looked for a way to do internet **streaming**. With the help of a local IT specialist and volunteer, Sandy Sluiter, we began streaming on June 1, 2020. People from around the world are listening! What a blessing it is to reach more souls with the love of God as revealed in Christ.

We are also blessed by the Longwood, FL Markham Woods Seventh-day Adventist Church's video equipment donation. We be will able to post videos of our hosts and guests, on our website, and record programs in our studio. There also may be some bloopers too!

Our yearly budget is \$550,000. How does God sustain this ministry every month? Thru listeners and readers like you. **Thank you** for answering His call! Why would the Creator and Sustainer of the Universe use people like us to do such a great work? It is because **He is Love**. His heart is so full of Love that He wants to communicate that Love in every way fathomable to man.

Just like the red beacons on all of our broadcast towers, we strive to be a **beacon to the people of this world**, warning that they are in grave danger. The angel of Rev. 18:3,4 is sounding the second angel's message with a VERY LOUD voice, "Come out of Babylon, my people!" Unless they come out of the world, they will perish with it.

**Please, help keep STR on the air!** We appreciate and need your financial support plus greatly desire your daily and hourly prayers! **God is so GOOD** and **full of LOVE**, let's continue to boldly tell the world!

David Bolduc



We'd love to hear from you!



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# What About Christmas?

Kam Ferguson



When we consider that Jesus was crucified in the Spring (Passover occurs in late March or early April), and that he was 33.5 years old when He died, it is clear that He was actually born in September or October. The world celebrates Christmas on December 25 for reasons that exceed our newsletter space. The date connects to pagan worship practices that flew into the apostolic church on the wings of Emperor Constantine's attempt to Christianize the Roman empire during his reign.

Some Christians view Christmas as pagan and/or evil. Some even think it is a sin to observe Christmas. Is this a Biblical approach? Paul's counsel to be "made all things to all people, that I might by all means save some" applies.



God encourages us to make use of such opportunities to reach out to others with the gospel. At this time of the year, many around us are more inclined to think of God, and to consider who Jesus Christ is. It would be a shame to waste this chance to not let the real Jesus be seen.

Should the children of the world be wiser than the children of the kingdom? Merchants have certainly taken this approach to optimize sales opportunities. Let's not allow the commercialization of Christmas to distract us.

At this time of year the sad true fact is many receive only physical gifts and some receive none. But our heavenly Father gives all of us HIS best gifts. Jesus ministers daily for us in the heavenly Sanctuary. Shall we be unmoved by this faithful generosity?

Let us follow God's example, and give the best gifts to one another regularly, not only in December but let us give gifts of thoughtfulness i.e. kind notes, favorite treats, favors to help others such as errands, projects, and words of encouragement daily.

There are simple gifts we can give, especially in our own homes, that will have a greater impact than Christmas gifts. By God's grace we become more like Jesus as we learn to give cheerfully!!!

## Messianic Prophecies (continued from page 1)

consider that scientists estimate the universe to contain  $3.28 \times 10^{80}$  atomic particles.[2] One person fulfilling 60, let alone 350 messianic prophecies is mathematically impossible, yet Jesus Christ did!

Dear reader, evidence abounds that Jesus is neither a liar nor a lunatic. He is Lord of the Universe just as He claims. Those who believe do not follow cunningly devised fables. Mathematics testifies their faith stands upon sure evidence. As you consider Jesus' birth trust Him with your future and rejoice in faith that does not disappoint.

[1] Evidence That Demands a Verdict, Josh McDowell

[2] Popular Mechanics, July 11, 2017



Kam Ferguson



## Reader Math Challenge

How many people giving \$25 per month would cover Strong Tower Radio's annual budget? Find the Strong Tower Radio annual budget number on page 3 and check your answer on [StrongTowerRadio.org](http://StrongTowerRadio.org)!

 Remember, Jesus IS the Reason for the Season! 

Remember, It is also the season of giving. Please consider and pray what God would have you do in becoming a monthly financial supporter for Strong Tower Radio. With your prayers and financial support together, we are reaching the world through streaming! You can donate on [StrongTowerRadio.org](http://StrongTowerRadio.org).

## Christmas Stories

Christmas stories start weekdays after Thanksgiving, Your Story Hour at noon with 'Christmas In My Heart' following.

## Messianic Prophecy

Airing the week of Christmas, an STR production by Pastor Jay Gallimore, Kam Ferguson and Jilane Fenner that will explore the many prophecies of Christ's birth.

## On-Air STR Today Programs

Dec 6- December Messiah Prophecies/Christmas in My Heart

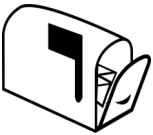
Dec 13- Pietism with Christian History Magazine

Dec 20- STR Christmas with Listener's Thoughts

Dec 27- STR 11th Birthday  with Staff

## Christmas Programming

All day Christmas Eve and Christmas Day enjoy heartwarming and inspirational stories, documentaries, sermons, and music. See [StrongTowerRadio.org/Program-Schedule](http://StrongTowerRadio.org/Program-Schedule) for this Christmas programming.



## Changed Lives! What Are Listeners Saying?



When I moved to Arizona, I didn't get Strong Tower Radio and that made me sad. I went to Tennessee, and no STR, that made me even sadder! I was missing the stories, music, sermons and speakers that kept me focused on my Bible studies and God. So, when I got back to Michigan, it was fantastic hearing STR every day!

I'm praying STR goes to Detroit, where people I care about can hear and learn more about Jesus. The radio is the first thing that goes on in my house. SO TURN THE RADIO ON, FOLKS!!

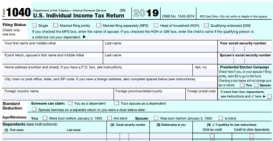
Carol from Houghton Lake

# How to Make Your Investment Donations:

For credit card or bank account withdrawal go to our secure website, [www.StrongTowerRadio.org](http://www.StrongTowerRadio.org), or call at **231-468-2087**.

You may also donate by check or money order mailed to **Strong Tower Radio**, PO Box 567, Cadillac, MI 49601

We have something for you **tech-savvy** people!!  
You can text 'donate' to 231-216-6809.

A thumbnail image of a 2020 U.S. Individual Income Tax Return form, showing the top portion with the title '1040 U.S. Individual Income Tax Return' and the year '2020'.

## 2020 Tax Deductions

We've all been challenged these past few months, and we want to alert you to additional giving opportunities. The CARES (Coronavirus Aid Relief and Economic Security Act) on 3/27, offers more ways you can support Strong Tower Radio!

### For tax year 2020 you can:

- 1) Non-itemizing individuals are eligible for a \$300 charitable deduction (\$600 for a couple) for gifts made to STR, reducing your taxable income and taxes paid.
- 2) You may be able to deduct up to 100% of your adjusted gross income (AGI) on gifts made to Strong Tower Radio or other charities. Deductible amounts are normally limited to 60% of (AGI).
- 3) The Qualified Charitable Rollovers (QCR) remain unchanged. Required minimum distributions (RMD) are waived for most qualified plan participants for tax year 2020. Even without an RMD, often qualified charitable distributions yield tax savings.

To further clarify your tax or income planning, please speak with your financial advisor or accountant.



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# Merry Christmas!

**December 2020**

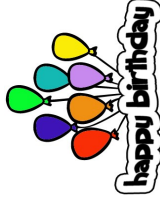
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**48-hours of Christmas Programming-, December 24th & 25th**

**STR Engagements:**

- 11/28 11:00 a.m. Kam Ferguson at Fremont Seventh-day Adventist Church
- 12/05 09:15 a.m. Kam Ferguson at Mio Seventh-day Adventist Church
- 12/05 11:00 a.m. Kam Ferguson at Grayling Seventh-day Adventist Church
- 12/12 11:00 a.m. David Bolduc at Marion Seventh-day Adventist Church
- 12/19 09:00 a.m. Kam Ferguson at Clare Seventh-day Adventist Church
- 12/19 11:00 a.m. Kam at Edenville SDA Church



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