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**Objection #95: Jesus fulfilled none of the Messianic prophecies!**

Brown's short response to this objection:

To the contrary, we know that Jesus is the Messiah because he fulfilled so many Messianic prophecies. The only real way to deny this is to claim that the many prophecies he clearly fulfilled are not Messianic, which is quite an impossible stretch.<sup>1</sup>

Following this, Brown provides a host of solid and clear messianic prophecies that were only and could only be fulfilled by Jesus Christ. He, then, provides excellent illustrations of how superior the NT writers were in alluding to and quoting OT passages on the Messiah. By comparing how the ancient and modern Jewish commentators viewed the Messiah in the OT with the way the NT writers referenced Jesus as the Messiah in the OT, one can clearly see that the NT writers far exceeded all others in integrity.

One of the many benefits of apologetics—besides fulfilling God's command for us to defend the faith (cf. 1 Pet. 3:15)—is that we can see in an objective way the superiority of the NT and Christianity over its rivals. With the evidence we can see in a real way what the NT means when it says that those who reject Christianity are dupes of the *kosmos* (cf. Eph. 2:2; John 8:44; 1 John 5:19). The evidence is on the side of Christianity. *Knowing* this only adds to our faith and confidence in the Lord and the plan of God as we advance up the Glory Road.

**In the Logos,**  
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<sup>1</sup>Michael L. Brown, *Messianic Prophecy Objections —Volume 3*, (Grand Rapids: Baker Books, 2003), 152-58. In his book, Brown lists the objection and then gives a short response which is followed by a more developed response. This DDR series, for the most part, tracks the objection and his *short* response after which you will find my comments. I highly recommend his book if you are interested in his longer responses (there is far too much material to include in this series).