**BIBLE QUESTIONS: SESSION 34**

**Questions: Did Jesus appear in the Old Testament (Theophany)? In what events?**

1. **Did Jesus appear in the Old Testament (Theophany)?**
   1. “Theophany” means appearance of God. More precisely, the question is asking about “Christophany” the appearance of Christ in the OT.
   2. Answer: The Son of God appeared in the Old Testament. Jesus of Nazareth is the name the Son of God was given when he was born of the Virgin Mary. Jesus did not appear in the old testament, in the flesh. But he (the preincarnate Son of God) did appear in the Old Testament.
2. **In what events?**
   * 1. Explicitly
        1. John 1 says “In the beginning was the Word…All things were made through him”
           1. “The word of the Lord came to \_\_\_\_”
        2. Paul says that the rock that followed the Israelites was Christ. (1 Cor. 10:4).
        3. The “I Am” in whom Abraham rejoiced was Jesus (John 8:56-58)
        4. The Lord who motivated Moses was Christ ([Hebrews 11:26](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/Heb%2011.26)).
        5. The Redeemer who brought them out of Egypt was Jesus ([Jude 5](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/Jude%205)).
        6. The Rock in the wilderness was Christ ([1 Corinthians 10:4](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/1%20Cor%2010.4)).
        7. The King of Isaiah’s temple vision was the Son ([John 12:40–41](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/John%2012.40%E2%80%9341)).
     2. Implicitly
        1. Fourth man in the fiery furnace (Daniel 3:25)
        2. commander of the lord’s army (Joshua 5:13-15)
        3. One of the three angels that visited Abraham (Genesis 18)
        4. The Angel of the Lord, who speaks as God and receives worship
           1. Spoke to Abraham on mount Moriah, “You did not withhold your only son from Me.”
           2. Wrestled with Jacob
           3. Burning bush
     3. Possibly
        1. Melchizedek (Hebrews 7)
     4. Typologically
        1. Joseph, Samson, Daniel, Joshua, Isaac, The Temple Sacrifices, Melchizedek, Jonah, et. al.