



The Cradle, Cross and Crown
December 15, 2024

I. Introduction

- A. No Cross without a cradle – John 1:14; I Timothy 2:5
- B. No Crown without a cross – Revelation 19:11-16

II. The Three C's in Our Saviors Life

A. The Cradle

- 1. Its prediction – Genesis 3:15; Isaiah 7:14; Micah 5:2, 3
- 2. Its necessity – John 1:14; I Timothy 2:3-6; Hebrews 10:1-10
- 3. Its fulfillment – Luke 2

B. The Cross

- 1. Its prediction – Genesis 3:15; Isaiah 53:1-6; Psalm 22:1; 11-18
- 2. Its necessity – Hebrews 9:22; Romans 8:3
- 3. Its fulfillment – Matthew 27:32-50; II Corinthians 5:21; I Peter 2:22-24; 3:18

C. The Crown

- 1. Its prediction – Daniel 7:27; Luke 1:33
 - a. In scripture
 - i. It is estimated that 1845 verses speak of Christ's second coming
 - b. The Apostles Creed
 - i. "From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead"
 - c. Charles Wesley included this theme in 5,000 of his 7,000 hymns
- 2. Its necessity
 - a. The resurrection (Matthew 17:22, 23) and second coming are both predictions that prove He is who He claimed to be.
 - b. It is a keeping of a promise to both Israel (II Samuel 7:8-16) and the church (I Corinthians 11:26)
- 3. Its fulfillment – I Thessalonians 4:13-18; Revelation 19:11-16
 - a. A warning – Matthew 24:44; Titus 2:13; Hebrews 10:37