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WHY PERSUADE MEN TO BELIEVE?

The apostle Paul teaches us what's gone happen with the one who does not receive Christ as his/her Saviour from the eternal death: *"in flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power;"* (2 Thessalonians 1:8,9).

Why should we take these bible verses serious? Simply because the bible is full with prophecies which became fulfilled many hundreds of years later. Only about Jesus Christ are many prophecies fulfilled in Him:

Prophecy: Years later: Fulfilment:
 - Micah 5:2 +/- 700 Luke 2:4-7
 (Bethlehem, His place of birth)

Prophecy: Years later: Fulfilment:
 - Isaiah 7:14 +/- 700 Mat. 1:18
 (Born from a virgin) Luke 1:26-35
 - Jerem. 31:15 +/- 650 Mat. 2:16-18
 (Slaughter of children in Bethlehem)
 - Deut. 18:15 +/- 1450 John 6:14
 (Being a prophet)
 - Psalm 110:4 +/- 1000 Hebr. 6:20
 (Priest for ever)
 - Zech. 9:9 +/- 550 John 12:14-15
 (Entry on an ass)
 - Psalm 41:9 +/- 1000 Mat. 26:23
 (Judas will betray Him)
 - Zech. 11:12 +/- 550 Mat. 26:15
 (Thirty pieces of silver) Mat. 27:9
 - Isaiah 53:7 +/- 700 Mat. 26:62-63
 (Opened not his mouth)
 - Isaiah 50:6 +/- 700 Mark 14:65
 (Was being spitted)
 - Psalm 69:4 +/- 1000 John 15:23-25
 (Hated without a cause)
 - Isaiah 53:5 +/- 700 1 Cor. 15:3
 (Wounded for our transgressions)
 - Isaiah 53:12 +/- 700 Mat. 27:38
 (Crucified with the transgressors)
 - Psalm 22:16 +/- 1000 John 20:27
 (His hands and feet pierced)
 - Psalm 22:7-8 +/- 1000 Mat. 27:39-44
 (Ridiculed at the cross)
 - Zech. 12:10 +/- 550 John 19:34
 (Pierced His side)
 - Psalm 22:18 +/- 1000 Mark 15:24
 (Casted lots upon His garments)
 - Psalm 34:20 +/- 1000 John 19:33
 (Not one of His bones broken)
 - Psalm 16:10 +/- 1000 Acts 13:34-39
 (Raised up from the dead)

Above mentioned prophecies and their fulfilments show us the importance of having the bible as base of our belief and not our emotions, tradition, the koran, etc..

Through the instructions of the apostle Paul, we can beg our neighbor as ambassadors for Christ: *"be ye reconciled to God."* (2 Corinthians 5:17-21)