

# Christ Revealed: Discovering Jesus in Old Testament Typology

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## Summary

### Old Testament Typology & Christ-Centered Reading — Open-Forum Review

#### Scripture References

John 3; Numbers 21:4-9; Luke 24:49; Micah 5:2; Genesis 3:15; Acts 2:42

#### Introduction

- Informal, open-question evening to summarize a 12-week typology series (13th week as recap).
- Aim: reflect on how seeing Christ through Old-Testament types reshapes Bible reading, worship, and daily life.

#### Key Points

1. Change in Bible Reading
  - Members formerly treated OT as isolated stories; now see unified story culminating in Christ.
  - Reading plans aligned with study generated frequent “live” connections (e. g., bronze serpent in Numbers and John 3).
2. Purpose of Typology
  - God conceals and reveals simultaneously—similar to Jesus' parables (Luke 24: 49).
  - Types prepare believers for a Mediator, Deliverer, King, and Sacrifice (Micah 5: 2; Genesis 3:15).
3. Confidence in Inspiration
  - Repeated gospel patterns (fall-redemption-restoration) show divine authorship and sovereignty.
4. Worship Implications
  - Deeper lyric understanding, broader view of worship (service, diaper-changing illustration, “Every Moment Holy” ).
  - Seeing Christ in everyday tasks fosters intentionality and witness.

## 5. Waiting & God's Timing

- Exodus model: salvation (Red Sea), sanctification (wilderness), glorification (Promised Land).
- Acts 2:42 shows early church relying on OT for gospel; encourages trust when fulfillment seems slow.

## 6. Dangers of Moral-Only Reading

- Leads to legalism, pride, caricature of “angry OT God,” or selective judgment.
- Misses grace threads and Holy Spirit's work across Scripture.

## 7. Sample Types Reviewed (12 weeks)

- Garden of Eden, Tabernacle/Temple, Rock struck/spoken, Aaron's staff, Levitical priesthood, Joshua, Bronze serpent, Abraham-Isaac, King Saul vs. David, David & Goliath, Moses, Exodus motif.

## Theological / Exegetical Points

- Genesis 3:15 = first gospel proclamation.
- Hydrosphere explanation of global flood underscores judgment/mercy balance.
- Guardrail: a type must be affirmed or modeled in the NT (e.g., Jonah sign).

## Interaction & Group Responses

- Personal testimonies: Sunday-school teachers discovered Christ connections; adults saw God's “bigness.”
- Questions raised: Who recognized types pre-Christ? Why foreshadow over direct prophecy?
- Kids present added spontaneity; required occasional redirection.

## Practical Applications

- Read OT and NT together for balanced view of judgment and grace.
- Use typology to share gospel from any OT passage.
- Approach mundane tasks as acts of worship; be intentional and ordered as God is.
- Trust promises during “slow” unfolding seasons; growth occurs in the waiting.

## Prayer / Intercession Items

- Successful neck procedure for member of Hamilton family (two nights in hospital).
- Continued hunger and thirst for righteousness as group studies Scripture.
- Patience and trust while awaiting God's timing.

## Next Meeting / Future Arrangements

- Next Wednesday: begin new series on the Beatitudes.