

Mashiach (The Messianic King)

Ref: Sefer Shoftim, Hilchot Melachim Umilchamotehem, Chapters 11–12

In the future, The Messianic King will arise and return the Kingdom of David to its place, he will build the Temple and gather the dispersed of Israel.

All 'currently redundant' *mitzvot* will return e.g. Sacrifices etc.

Anyone who does not believe in the Coming of *Mashiach*, denies **י"ד** the whole Torah.

The coming of *Mashiach* (and the Redemption of the whole world) are stated in Torah, and abundantly throughout the *Neviim* (Prophets).

His qualities and how to recognise him.

- From the House of David
- Fully applies himself to Torah
- Fully engages with *mitzvot* as prescribed by Written Law and Oral Law
- Compels all Jews to follow these ways
- Strengthens weak areas
- Fights wars of Hashem

If he has these qualities, we can assume he is *Mashiach*.

He is definitely *Mashiach* if:

- He succeeds in above
- Builds the Temple in its place
- Gathers the dispersed of Israel

Thereafter he will:

- Improve the whole world to serve Hashem together

If he does not succeed with above or he gets killed, then he is not *Mashiach*.

How Christianity and Muslim religion fit into the broader picture of the coming of *Mashiach*.

When *Mashiach* comes, the world will continue according to its natural pattern.

The Jews will become freed from the subjugation to the other nations.

There, apparently (not clear), will be, prior to *Mashiach*, the war of *Gog* and *Magog*, but this will be preceded by the arrival of *Eliyahu*, to prepare the hearts of Israel.

Mashiach will establish Peace in the world.

Once the Kingdom of *Mashiach* is established, he shall with prophecy clarify the lineage of every Jew.

The whole Nation will be free to involve themselves with Torah in preparation for the World to Come.

The occupation of the whole world will be solely to know G-d, and the world will be filled with the knowledge of G-d as the waters cover the ocean bed.