

The Johannine Interpretation of Scripture

DIRECT QUOTATIONS

John 1:23
(= Isa. 40:3)

He [John the Baptist] said, 'I am the voice of one crying out in the wilderness, "Make straight the way of the Lord", as the prophet Isaiah said'.

John 2:17
(= Ps. 69:10)

His disciples remembered that it was written,
'Zeal for your house will consume me' (LXX Ps. 68:10).

John 6:31
(cf. Ps. 78:24)

Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written
'He gave them bread from heaven to eat'.

John 6:45
(= Isa. 54:13)

It is written in the prophets,
'And they shall all be taught by God'.

John 10:34
(= Ps. 82:6)

Jesus answered, 'Is it not written in your law
'I said, you are gods'?'

John 12:13
(= Ps. 118:26)

So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, shouting,
'Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord,
the king of Israel!'

John 12:15
(= Zech. 9:9)

Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it; as it is written,
'Do not be afraid, daughter of Zion. Look, your king
is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt'.

John 7:38
(cf. Ps. 78:16, 20)

As the scripture has said, 'Out of his heart
shall flow rivers of living water.'

John 7:42
(cf. 2 Sam. 7:12-16;
Ps. 89:4-5, 36-37;
Isa. 11:1, 10; Micah 5:1)

Has not the scripture said that the Messiah is
descended from David and comes from Bethlehem, the village where
David lived?'

John 12:38
(= Isa. 53:1)

This was to fulfil the word spoken by the prophet Isaiah:
‘Lord, who has believed our message, and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?’

John 12:39-41
(= Isa. 6:10)

And so they could not believe, because Isaiah also said,
‘He has blinded their eyes, and hardened their heart, so that they might not look with their eyes, and understand with their heart and turn - and I would heal them’. Isaiah said these things because he saw his glory and spoke about him.

John 13:18
(= Ps. 41:10)

But it is to fulfil the scripture, ‘The one who ate my bread has lifted his heel against me’.

John 15:25
(= Ps. 69:5)

It was to fulfil the word that is written in their law
‘They hated me without a cause.’

John 19:24
(= Ps. 22:19)
lots’.

This was to fulfil what the scripture says,
‘They divided my clothes among themselves, and for my clothing they cast

John 19:36
(= Exod. 12:46;
Num. 9:12; Ps. 34:21)

These things occurred so that the scripture might be fulfilled,
‘None of his bones shall be broken’.

John 19:37
(= Zech. 12:10)

And again another passage of scripture says
‘They will look on the one whom they have pierced’.

John 17:12

I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that scripture might be fulfilled.

John 19:28-30
(cf. Ps. 69:22)

After this, when Jesus knew that all was now finished (completed) he said (in order to complete the scripture: ‘I am thirsty’. A jar full of sour wine was standing there. So they put a sponge full of the wine on a branch of hyssop and held it to his mouth. When Jesus had received the wine, he said, ‘It is finished (completed)’. Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.