

Verses for paper chains

On the following pages you will find the verses to make paper chains at Christmas. Pages 2-3 have the OT prophecies. I would suggest you print this out on green paper. Pages 4-5 have the NT fulfilments of those prophecies. I would suggest you print these on red paper.



All the links in the chain should be the same width. The OT prophecy strips are numbered corresponding to the number on its NT fulfilment strip. Try to match them up before you stick them together. Keeping them in order gives a visual explanation of how the NT shows us the fulfilment of OT prophecies and you can explain that this helps us to understand the continuity and the reliability of Scriptures.

1	<p>“And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel.’ Genesis 3 v 15</p>
2	<p>‘In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. This is the name by which he will be called: The LORD Our Righteousness.’ Jeremiah 23 v 6</p>
3	<p>(God speaking to Abraham) ‘I will make you into a great nation and I will bless you; I will make your name great and you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you.’ Genesis 12 v 2-3</p>
4	<p>(God speaking to Abraham) ‘The LORD did not set his affection on you and choose you because you were more numerous than other peoples, for you were the fewest of all peoples. But it was because the LORD loved you.’ Deuteronomy 7 v 7-8</p>
5	<p>‘The sceptre will not depart from Judah, nor the ruler’s staff from between his feet, until he comes to whom it belongs and the obedience of the nations is his.’ Genesis 49 v 10</p>
6	<p>““The days are coming,” declares the LORD, “when I will raise up to David a righteous Branch, a King who will reign wisely and do what is just and right in the land.”” Jeremiah 23 v 5</p>
7	<p>‘The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has dawned.’ Isaiah 9 v 2</p>
8	<p>‘Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel.’ Isaiah 7 v 14</p>
9	<p>‘But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are small among the clans of Judah, out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times.’ Micah 5 v 2</p>

10	'The Spirit of the Sovereign LORD is on me, because the LORD has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners' Isaiah 61 v 1
11	'Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.' Isaiah 60 v 3
12	“The days are coming,” declares the LORD, “when I will raise up to David a righteous Branch, a <u>King</u> who will reign wisely and do what is just and right in the land.” Jeremiah 23 v 5
13	'The LORD has sworn and will not change his mind: “You are a <u>priest</u> for ever, in the order of Melchizedek.”’ Psalm 110 v 4
14	'He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows, and familiar with <u>suffering</u>. Like one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not.' Isaiah 53 v 3
15	'When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son.' Hosea 11 v 1
16	'This is what the LORD says: “A voice is heard in Ramah, mourning and great weeping, Rachel weeping for her children and refusing to be comforted, because her children are no more.”’ Jeremiah 31 v 15
17	'For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.' Isaiah 9 v 6
18	'The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel.' Isaiah 7 v 14

1	<p>'She gave birth to her firstborn, <u>a son</u>. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger.' Luke 2 v 7</p>
2	<p>'She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because <u>he will save</u> his people from their sins.' Matthew 1 v 21</p>
3	<p>'A record of the genealogy of Jesus Christ the son of David, the son of <u>Abraham</u>' Matthew 1 v 1</p>
4	<p>'A record of the genealogy of Jesus Christ the son of David, the son of <u>Abraham</u>: Abraham was the father of Isaac, Isaac the father of Jacob.' Matthew 1 v 1-2</p>
5	<p>'A record of the genealogy of Jesus Christ the son of David, the son of Abraham: Abraham was the father of Isaac, Isaac the father of Jacob, Jacob the father of <u>Judah</u> and his brothers' Matthew 1 v 1-2</p>
6	<p>'But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the <u>town of David</u> a Saviour has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord." Luke 2 v 10-11</p>
7	<p>'In him was life and that life was the <u>light</u> of men. The light shines in the darkness, but the darkness has not understood it.' John 1 v 4-5</p>
8	<p>'God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, to a <u>virgin</u> pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin's name was Mary. Luke 1 v 26-27</p>
9	<p>'Jesus was born in <u>Bethlehem</u> in Judea... (King Herod) asked them where the Christ was to be born. "In Bethlehem in Judea," they replied, "for this is what the prophet has written"' Matthew 2 v 1&4-5</p>

10	<p>'The angel said to (the shepherds), "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for <u>all the people</u>. Today in the town of David a Saviour has been born to you; he is <u>Christ</u> the Lord."' Luke 2 v 8&10-11</p>
11	<p>'<u>Magi</u> from the east came to Jerusalem and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star in the east and have come to worship him."' Matthew 2 v 1-2</p>
12	<p>'On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshipped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of <u>gold</u> and of incense and of myrrh.' Matthew 2 v 11</p>
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15	<p>'So he got up, took the child and his mother during the night and left for <u>Egypt</u>, where he stayed until the death of Herod. And so was fulfilled what the Lord had said through the prophet: "Out of Egypt I called my son."' Matthew 2 v 14-15</p>
16	<p>'When Herod realised that he had been outwitted by the Magi, he was furious, and he gave orders to <u>kill all the boys</u> in Bethlehem and its vicinity who were two years old and under.' Matthew 2 v 16</p>
17	<p>'Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and <u>on earth peace to men</u> on whom his favour rests."' Luke 2 v 13-14</p>
18	<p>'All this took place to fulfil what the Lord had said through the prophet: "The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him <u>Immanuel</u>" – which means, "God with us."' Matthew 1 v 22-23</p>