

said, "if someone had prayed, this could have been given as a most remarkable answer to prayer." "However," she said, "no one prayed. It was just chance and accident." What can one answer in such a case? How can one prove that God actually does work in the world and accomplishes things in accordance with His will? In the case of the great victory of Deborah and Barak believers can immediately say it was God's hand that led. It was God's power that gave the victory. God spoke through Deborah. Unbelievers can say that Deborah was a good observer of human nature and weather conditions. She knew Sisera's character. She knew a storm was apt to come at this time. She took a chance and it paid off. We believe that an organic prophecy was marvelously fulfilled, but we have no actual proof of it beyond our faith. However, fulfillment of the third prediction--the inorganic one--involved so many features that no one could possibly predict as to leave no other possible explanation than divine foreknowledge. Thus an inorganic prophecy is a signpost pointing to the fact that God is active, that God knows the future from the beginning, that God possesses such control and such knowledge as no human being could possibly have.

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Let us look for a moment at two other very interesting inorganic prophecies. In all the Bible there are no greater organic prophecies than in Psalm 22 and Isaiah 53, where we read the marvelous predictions of the method God planned to use in saving all who would believe on Christ, whether of Israel or of other nations.

Psalm 22 is a picture of the feelings of Christ as He hung on the Cross. Spurgeon points out that its first phrase is similar to one of His cries on the Cross, "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?" And that its last word, "done," is identical with His last cry on the Cross, "It is finished." Spurgeon