

Jesus' Acceptance in Judea

Jesus gained wide acceptance in Judea because of **His** miracles. The purpose of **His** miracles was to serve as a sign to Isra'el, to prompt her to make a decision concerning **His** messianic claims. Was **He the Messiah** or not? **He** would not let the nation of Israel in general, and the Jewish religious leaders in particular, avoid that question.

The miracles **Yeshua** performed would authenticate both **His** person and **His** message. First, it would validate that **He** was indeed the Jewish **Meshiach** (**His** person), and that **He** was offering the messianic Kingdom (**Isaiah 11:1-16; Revelation 20:1-6**), or the Kingdom spoken of the Jewish prophets (**His** message). So that if they were willing to first accept **Him** as the messianic **King**, they would see the messianic Kingdom established in their day.