The All-in-all Christ

In the Old Testament, God promised that from David's line would rise the Messiah, meaning "the Anointed One" (in Greek, "Christ").
Messiah would be a great King who would reign everywhere and forever in perfect wisdom, power, justice, and peace.
Daniel prophesied (in 7:9-14) that a Son of Man – that is, a human being -would come to the throne room of heaven.
There he would receive an everlasting, universal kingdom.
In Genesis 14:17-20, we meet Melchizedek, a "priest of God Most High".
Even the great Abraham paid a tithe to him.

His priesthood was more ancient than that from the line of Aaron.

He was a mysterious figure, with no recorded parentage or death.

Through Moses, God promised that in the future, He would raise up a Prophet who would speak God's will with a human voice (Deuteronomy 18:15-19).
He would speak God's own words clearly, for all to understand.

And Isaiah prophesied that God would send His own Servant to suffer horribly for the sins of the people (Isaiah 52:13 – 53:12).

Messiah, Son of Man, Great High Priest, Prophet, and Suffering Servant –
Old Testament saints knew of these five figures whom God would someday send in His plan of salvation.
But no one seemed to understand that these five figures would all be One Person: His own Son, Jesus.

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