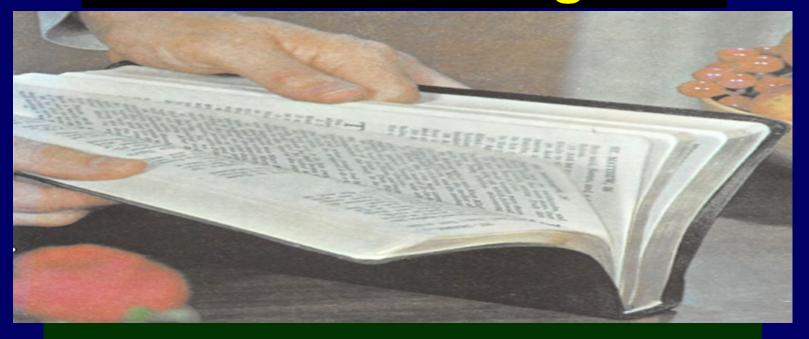
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God Spoke To the Fathers.

THE KINGS were the next rulers of Israel after the Judges.

Though the Israelites had been united for many years under God's leadership, they finally began to clamor for a king to lead them so they could be like other nations.

The Lord was displeased with their request because it reflected their lack of faith in His provision and amounted to their rejection of God Himself.

SINCE HIS PEOPLE INSISTED
On having an earthly king, God
provided the very best man available.

God instructed Samuel to anoint Saul, the son of Kish, as the first king of Israel.



Saul was a man of great physique and outstanding courage, yet very humble and pious when he first became king.

I Samuel 9:1 to 10:1;



AS SAUL LED HIS ARMY against the enemies of God's people, his expeditions were successful.



He soon became a powerful and popular king. But as he gained success he lost his humility and finally was guilty of direct disobedience to God's orders. Samuel then told him,

"... because you have rejected the word of the Lord, he has also rejected you from being king"
(1 Samuel 15:23;)



God had forewarned the Israelites of the consequences of having an earthly king.

2 Samuel 8:10-18;

WHILE KING SAUL WAS DRIFTING farther from God.

God chose an obscure young shepherd boy,
David, the son of Jesse,
as the one who ultimately would
succeed Saul on the throne of Israel.

David was very courageous through his deep faith and trust in God. He demonstrated this faith when he guarded his sheep from the lions and other dangers of the wilderness. *I Samuel 16:1-11;*

GOD SENT SAMUEL to Bethlehem to anoint David as second king of the Israelites even while Saul was still on the throne.

Though David was the youngest of seven brothers, God chose him to be king rather than any of his older brothers.

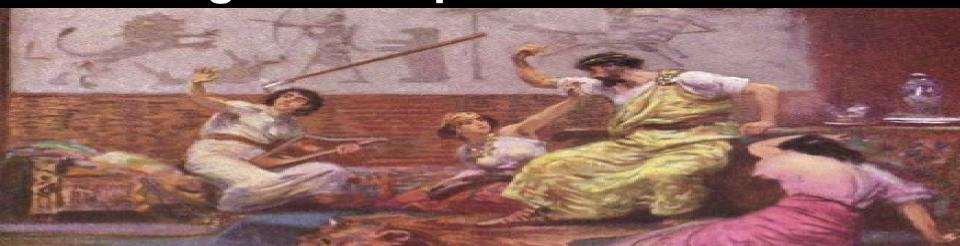


God explained to Samuel,
"the Lord sees not as man sees;
for man looks on the outward
appearance,
but the Lord looks on the heart."
(1 Samuel 16:7;)

SOON DAVID WAS SERVING WELL in the court of King Saul and becoming very popular among the people.

The people began to say, "Saul has killed his thousands and David his ten thousands."

Upon hearing this, Saul became very jealous and made several enraged attempts on David's life.



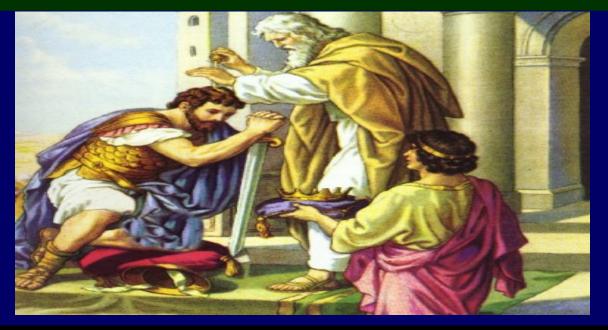
Finally, after ruling forty years, Saul killed himself and young David ruled Israel.

1 Samuel 18:5-9; 1 Samuel 31:1-6;



KING DAVID ALSO REIGNED over God's people for forty years.

He wrote many Psalms and is referred to in the Bible as "the man after God's own heart."



God promised David that through his descendants, Jesus, the Messiah, was to come to earth. *Acts* 13:22-23;

AFTER DAVID'S DEATH his young son, Solomon, became the third king of Israel.

God invited the young king to ask for any blessing he desired.

With a deep feeling of inadequacy to rule wisely over God's people, young Solomon prayed, "Give, therefore, your servant an understanding heart to judge thy people."

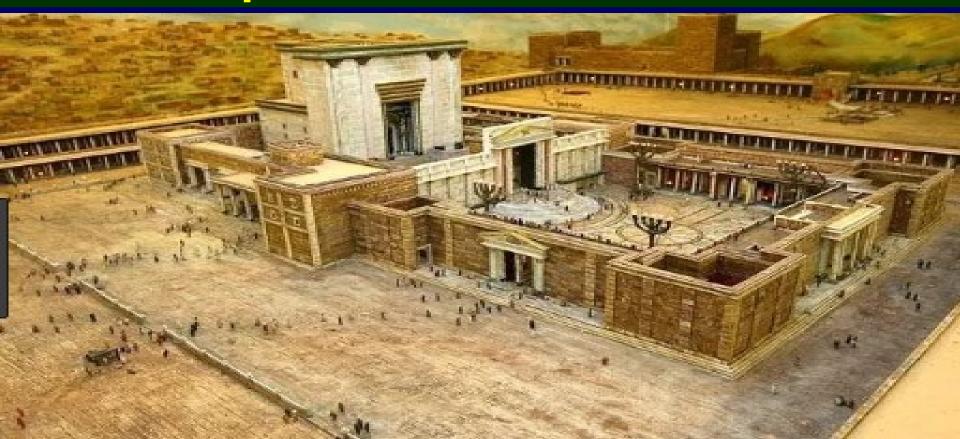
God answered his prayer by bestowing upon him a degree of wisdom far above that which had been possessed by any other man. 1 Kings 3:5-15;



GOD ENTRUSTED SOLMON

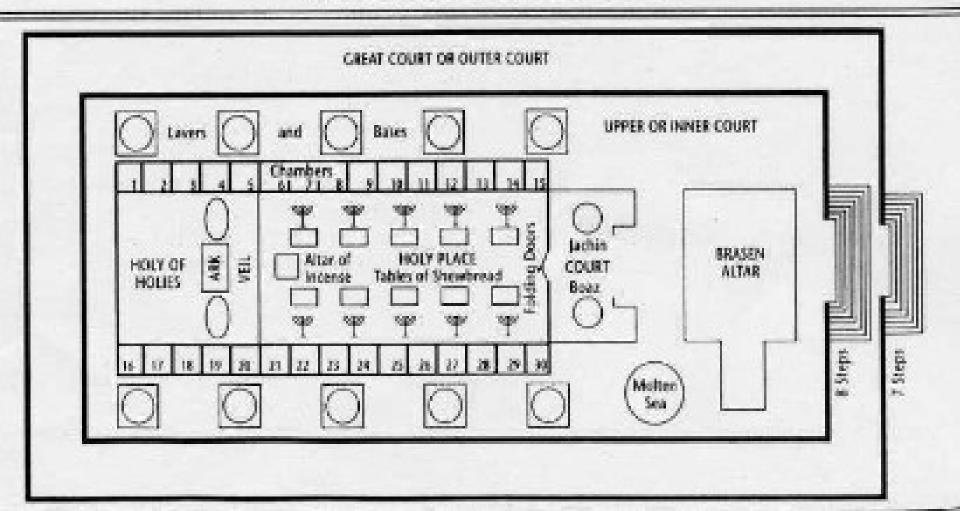
with the building of His Temple in Jerusalem to replace the Tabernacle built by Moses which had been in use nearly 500 years.

This temple was a fabulous structure!



One hundred eighty three thousand labourers and skilled craftsmen worked for seven years on its construction. (1 Kings 5:13-16;)

SOLOMON'S TEMPLE



SOLOMON RULED ISRAEL

for forty prosperous years. The fame of his wisdom and riches reached distant lands.

The Queen of Sheba journeyed hundreds of miles to investigate Solomon's fame. She could only exclaim, "The half has never yet been told."



During his administration the nation reached the peak of its prosperity and the broadest extent of its boundaries.

Much of Solomon's wisdom is preserved in the Book of Proverbs of which he is the major author.

After a life of varied experiences, Solomon concluded that the whole duty of man is to fear God and keep His Commandments. (Ecclesiastes 12:13;)

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THE DIVIDED KINGDOM is the next important phase of Israelite history.

For 120 years, from the accession of King Saul to the death of King Solomon, God's people had been united.

After Solomon's death,
the Israelites
split into two separate nations,
Judah and Israel,
with a mutual distrust.

SOLOMON'S SON REHOBOAM, through his arrogance and tyranny, triggered this unhappy division.

Refusing the counsel of older men who advised him to be a servant to God's people, and following the advice of younger and inexperienced men.

Rehoboam arrogantly chose to oppress the people.

As a result of this injustice, ten of the twelve tribes rebelled and established a separate kingdom in the northern part of Palestine.

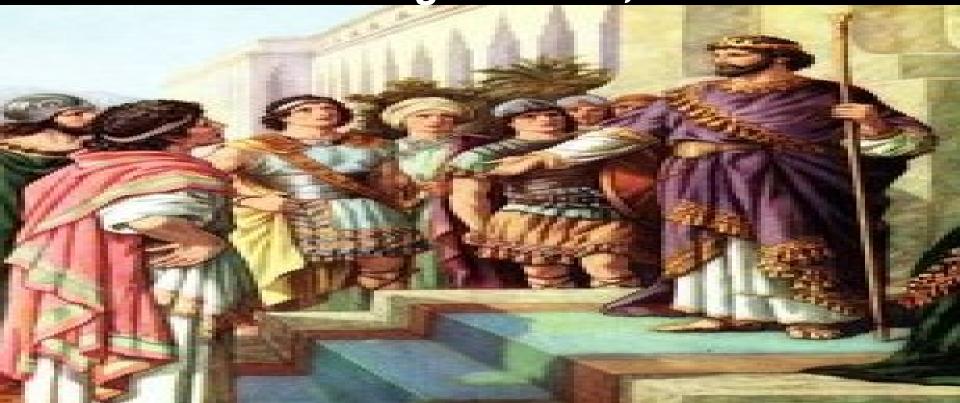
This was the kingdom of Israel with another ruler, Jeroboam, as its king.



Then Jeroboam built Shechem in the hill country of Ephraim, and lived there. And he went out from there and built Penuel. 1 Kings 12:25;

Rehoboam continued to rule over two tribes known as the kingdom of Judah.

I Kings 12:1-24;



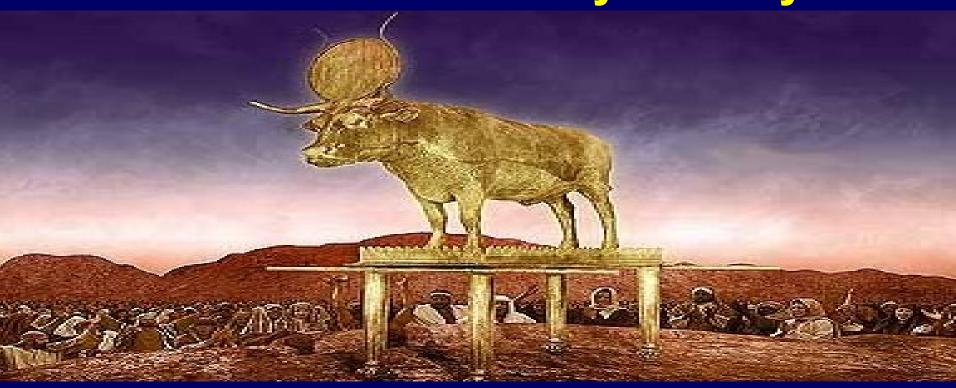
TO KEEP THE TEN TRIBES from returning to Jerusalem to worship.

Jeroboam built two altars in the northern kingdom, one at Dan and the other at Bethel. 1Kings 12:29;

He set up golden calves for the people to worship and ordained an entirely new priesthood.

He said, "Behold your gods, 0 Israel, which brought you up out of the land of Egypt."

From this time on, the kingdom of Israel was characterized by idolatry.



Judah and Israel remained divided and continued in sin until both ultimately were taken captive by their enemies. *I Kings 12:25-33;*

The POETIC BOOKS

The Poetic books are placed together but this is not the way they appear chronologically but for ease of study we will deal with them here



THE PROPHETS were preachers whom God inspired and sent to call His people back to His ways.

The last 17 books of the Old Testament record some of the messages from some of these prophets.

Heb 1:1;

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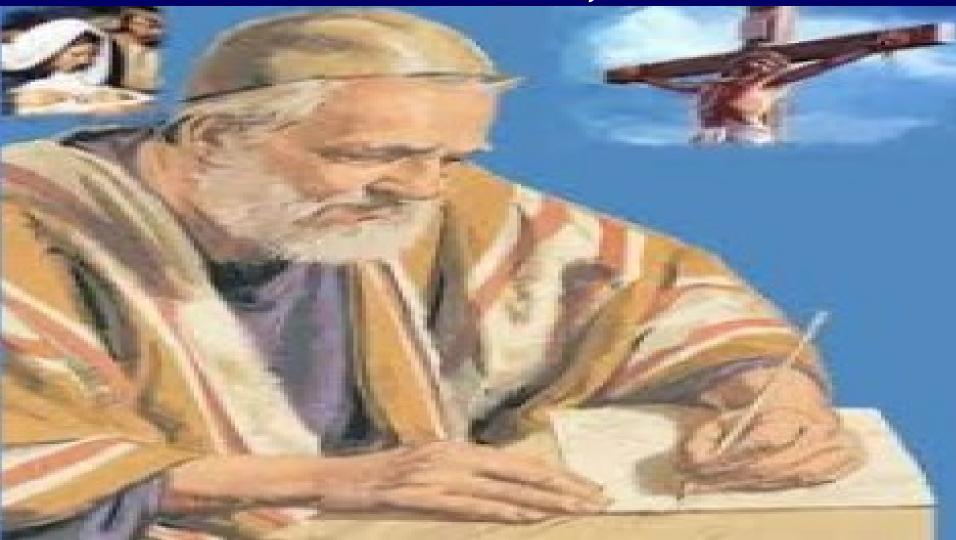
ONE OF THE GREATEST PROPHETS was Isaiah who lived about 750 years before Christ left Heaven and came to earth.

Isaiah foretold a time when God would establish a new kingdom, not just for Israelites but for all races.

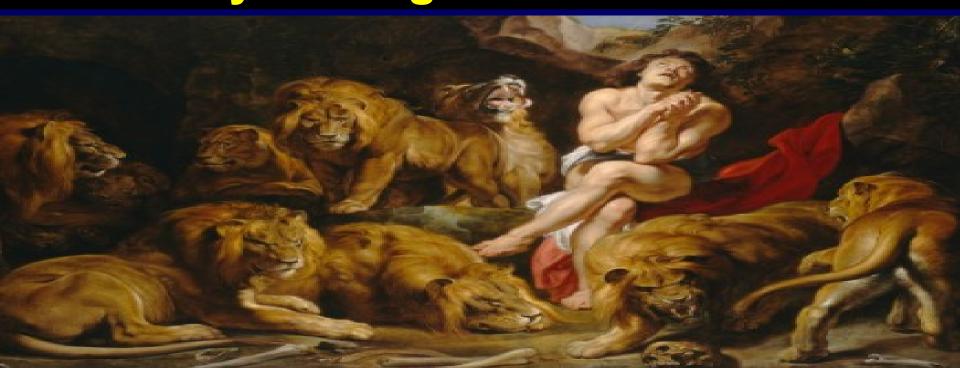
Because he predicted many details in the life of Christ, the Messiah, Isaiah is known as the Messianic prophet.

All of his predictions concerning Jesus' life on earth came true.

Isaiah 2:1-3;



continued worshipping God even after being captured and warned When Daniel was thrown into a den of lions as punishment, God protected him by closing the lions' mouths.





Daniel 7:1-17;

-Babylon

Lion –With wings like an eagle.

Medo-Persia

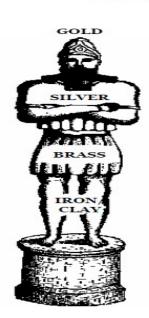
Bear –three ribs in its teeth.

Greece
Leopard –
4 Wings on its back.

Rome
Beast with 10
horns.

This great prophet foretold that God's promised kingdom would be set up and that it would stand forever. Daniel said, "... and in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom which shall never be destroyed." (Daniel 2:44.)

Daniel's Dreams & Visions



Daniel 2



Daniel 7:4; Jeremiah 4:7, 13; Habakkuk 1:8; Ezekiel 17:3

Daniel 5:28 Isaiah 13:17-19 Jeremiah 51:11



Daniel 7:5: 5:28: cf. 8:3



Daniel 8:3, 20: cf. 10:20: Esther 1:4





Daniel 8:4, 21-22; cf. 10:21; 11:3-4



Daniel 7:7-8; Revelation 13:1-2; 17:11-12; cf. Micah 4:13

Daniel 11:5–20

The Latter Days **Daniel 10:14**

NORTH/ Syria

SOUTH/ Egypt

- Daniel 8:9–12
- Daniel 11:21
- Antiochus Epiphanes

The KING/ Rome

- Daniel 11:30–45
- Daniel 9:24–27
- Matthew 24:1–34
- Daniel 12:1–13



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Jesus referred to the KINGDOM OF HEAVEN as His called out people. (Matthew 16:18-19;)

We ought to become familiar with the Old Testament prophets.

Not only do they have much to say about the contemporary affairs of the two Jewish nations and their neighbours

The most important part of their writings foretold the coming of Christ, the Light of the world.

Acts 3:22-24;

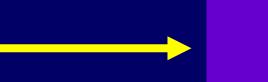
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JESUS' BIRTH occurred exactly in the manner, time and place foretold by the prophets.



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THESE PROPHECIES as God had promised, began to be fulfilled when Gabriel, an angel of God, first appeared to a priest named Zacharias.



Gabriel promised him and his wife a son named John who would prepare the way for the coming Lord. *Luke 1:5-25;*

ABOUT SIX MONTHS AFTER the angel Gabriel had visited Zacharias, God sent him to Nazareth to a young virgin named Mary.

He delivered to Mary a wonderful message from God: "Behold, you shall conceive in your womb, and bring forth a son, and shall call his name Jesus."

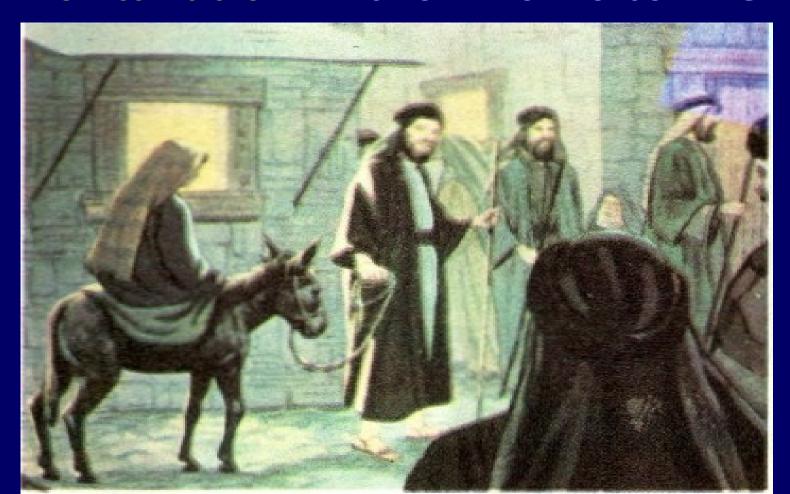
(Luke 1:31;)



An angel also appeared to Joseph, to whom Mary was engaged, to assure him of Mary's chastity and purity and that the child conceived in her was conceived of the Holy Spirit.

Mary remained a virgin until after the birth of Christ. Later she had other children by her husband, Joseph. Matthew 1:18-25; Luke 8:19-21;

ABOUT THE TIME MARY'S CHILD was to be born the Roman Emperor compelled all citizens to register for taxation in their home towns.



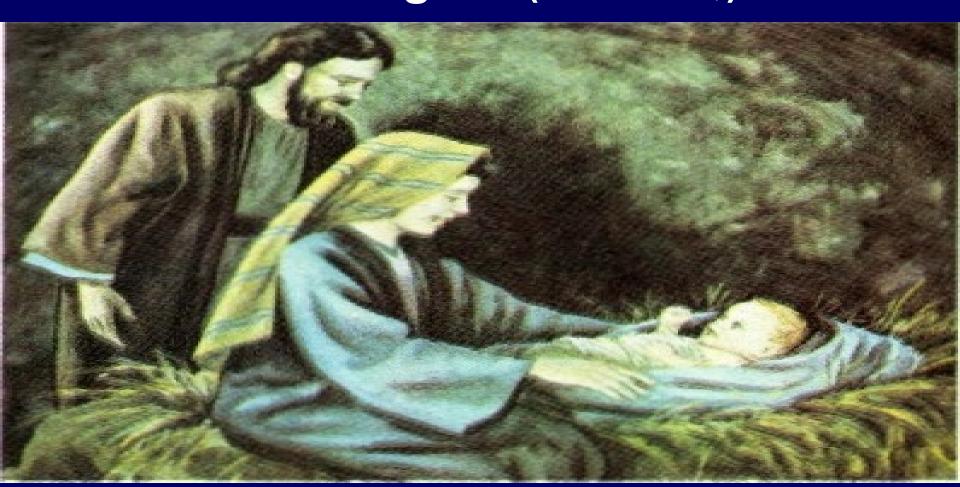
When Joseph and Mary reached Bethlehem, their home town, they found no place to stay in the crowded little city.

If only the innkeeper had known the Saviour of the world was to be born he would have made room somewhere.

But Joseph and Mary were forced to spend the night in a stable.

Luke 2:7-6;

"AND SHE BROUGHT FORTH her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger." (Luke 2:7;)



He had no human father. Emanuel God with us

The Christ child was different from any other baby ever born in that He had come directly from God to Mary's womb.

He was the Son of God who had existed with God from eternity, but now had come to earth to be our Saviour. *John 1:1-3, 14;*

SO SIGNIFICANT WAS THE BIRTH of the Saviour that an angel from God, that very night, announced the birth of Jesus to shepherds watching over their sheep.

The angel said, "... There is born to you this day in the City of David a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord."

After going immediately into Bethlehem to worship the Saviour, the shepherds told the good news to everyone they saw."

Luke 2:8-20;

MANY MILES TO THE EAST some wise men saw an unusual star which was a sign that the new king was born.

Some months later they went to visit and worship the New King, offering Him precious gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. Matthew 2:1-12;



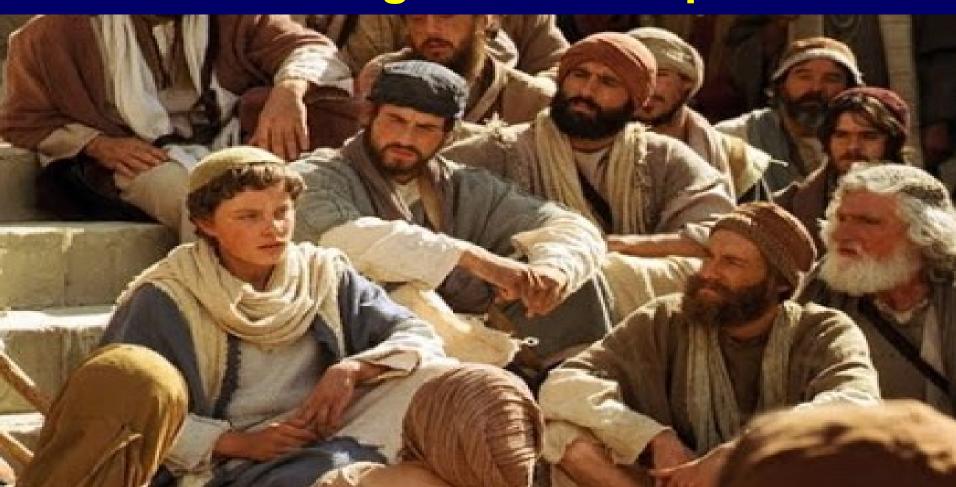
of Jesus except that
He grew "in wisdom and stature,
and in favour with God and man."

But we are told that at the age of twelve he accompanied his parents to Jerusalem to worship in the Temple.

Luke 2:41-47;



THERE IN GOD'S TEMPLE young Jesus amazed the doctors of the law and the wise men with His knowledge of the Scriptures.

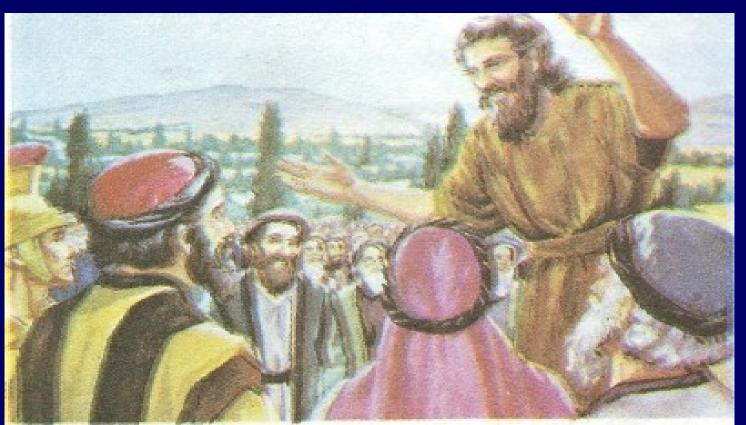


His parents, having begun their journey home and learning that Jesus was not with them, returned to Jerusalem and found Him conversing with the religious scholars.

When His mother asked Him why He remained at the Temple, Jesus answered, "Know ye not that I must be about my Father's business?" (Luke 2:49;)

After this incident
Jesus went with Joseph and Mary
and spent the next 18 years
with the family
before beginning His ministry.

JUST BEFORE JESUS BEGAN HIS MINISTRY. John the son of Zacharias began preaching to prepare people for the coming of the Lord.



John told people plainly that he was not the Christ but that he was preparing the way for Christ. Mark 1:1-8;

JESUS MINISTRY began when He was about 30 years old.

Jesus both lived and died under the Mosaic period of Bible history.

He was the only person who ever observed the Mosaic Law perfectly. Luke 3:23;

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JESUS CAME ALL THE WAY from Galilee to be baptized by John in the Jordan River. After His immersion Jesus came up out of the water. (Mark 1:10;)



In this action Jesus fulfilled the meaning of the Greek word "baptizo" which means "to immerse."

The Bible says that Jesus was "baptized to fulfill all righteousness."

He was NOT
baptized for the forgiveness of sins
because, unlike ourselves,
He knew no sin.
Matthew 3:13-15;.

THE SPIRIT OF GOD
then descended upon Jesus
in the likeness of a dove
and a voice from heaven said,
"This is my beloved Son,
in whom I am well pleased."

Later, John gave his eyewitness account of this scene:-

"I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it abode upon Him. And I knew Him not; He that sent me to baptize with water, the same said unto me, Upon whom thou shall see the Spirit descending, and remaining on him, the same is He which baptizes with the Holy Spirit. And I saw, and bare record that this is the Son of God."

(John 1:3234)

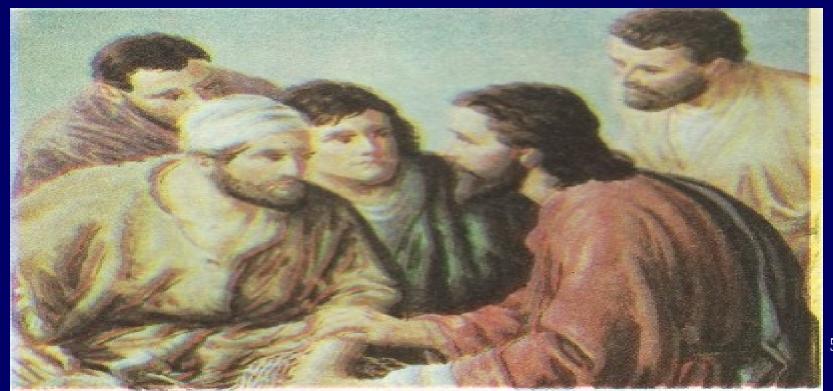


IN THE FIRST OF HIS MINISTRY

Jesus began to choose twelve men

from various walks of life
to be trained as apostles to lead His people.

Jesus knew He would soon return to the Father in Heaven.



Jesus later sent the Holy Spirit to guide the apostles so that when they preached or wrote the doctrine of Christ, they would make no errors.

In this way God gave to mankind a full and complete revelation of His will in the pages of the New Testament.

John 16:12-14;

JESUS WAS EMPOWERED of God to perform miracles which proved Him to be the Son of God.

The first miracle, in which Jesus turned water to wine, showed His divine power over nature.



He healed the sick, the lame and the blind. He also cast out unclean spirits and read the hearts of men.' John 2:1-11; Acts 2:22;

Jesus demonstrated His divine power over all areas of human existence.

He even raised the dead "That you might believe." (John 20:31;)



By performing miracles through the power of His Heavenly Father Jesus proved time and again His claim to be the Son of God. Acts 10:38, 39;

Sign	Jesus' Power Over
Water changed to wine (2:1-11)	Quality
Healing the nobleman's son (4:46-54)	Space
Healing man at pool (5:1-18)	Time
Feeding the five thousand (6:1-14)	Quantity
Walking on the water (6:16-21)	Nature
Healing the blind man (9:1-41)	Misfortune
Raising Lazarus (11:1-44)	Death

THE MASTER TEACHER preached many sermons.

Sometimes He preached to large crowds; at other times to individuals.

Some of the most beloved teachings of Christ picture Him as the Good Shepherd who laid down His life for His sheep. (John 10;)

The good shepherd also would leave the 99 safe sheep in order to find the one sheep which was lost.

These lessons point out God's love for every soul.

THE AUTHORITY OF THE TEACHER

"And they were astonished at His teaching, for His word was with authority."

Over what has Jesus authority?



Authority to interpret the Bible



Authority to teach



Authority over demons

Luke 5:24



Authority to forgive sins



Authority over death

Luke 8:22-25



Authority over nature Luke 12:8



Authority to plead for us before God

THE TEACHING OF THE TEACHER

The teaching of Jesus in "the Sermon on the Mount" is outlined in Luke 6:20-49.

- 1. The Beatitudes (v. 20-22).
 - Blessed are the poor, those who hunger, those who weep, and those who suffer for Christ; because they think of God.
- 2. The joy of the Christian (v. 23).
 - Our reward is in Heaven.
- Woes to guard against (v. 24-26).
 - Woe to the rich, to those who are full, to those who laugh, and to those who are praised by men; because they think of this world.
- 4. Limitless love (v. 27-36).
 - Loving even our enemies; doing to others what we would have them do to us; lending, hoping nothing in return; being merciful.















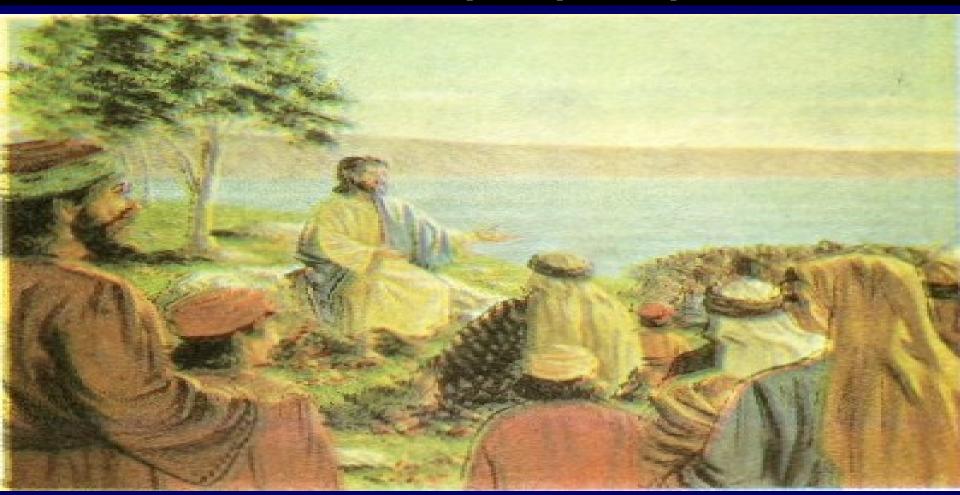
IN HIS SERMONS Jesus used ordinary, familiar objects to teach spiritual lessons.

For example, He used flowers to teach a lesson on faith.

'... Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin: And yet I say unto you that even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field . . . shall he not much more clothe you, 0 ye of little faith?" (Matt 6:28-30;)

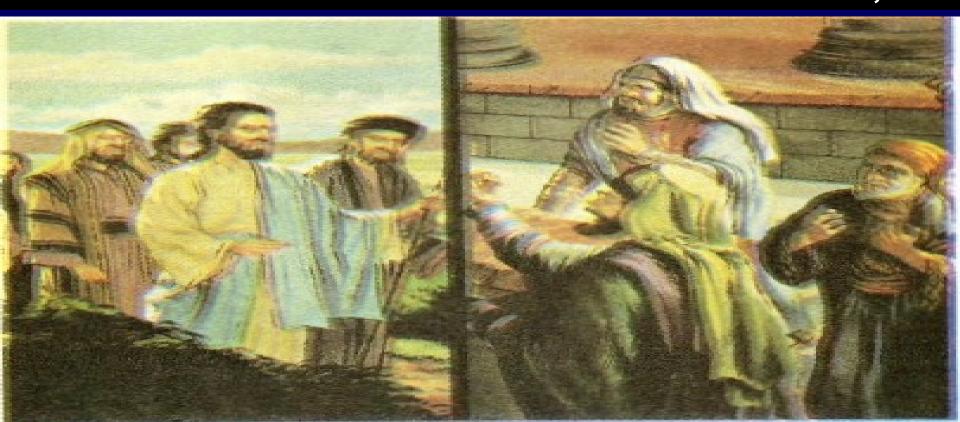
THOUGH JESUS WAS LOVED by the common people, he was envied and hated by their leaders.

They recognized in His simple righteousness a threat to their pompous power.



Suspecting that Jesus aspired to be a political ruler over an earthly kingdom, these leaders conspired to turn the people against Him and have Him killed.

Little did they realize that they were actually assisting Christ's plan to offer His life as the ultimate sacrifice for sin. Mark 15:9-14;



JESUS CHRIST was without sin. Therefore, He was the only one ever qualified to offer Himself for the sins of others.

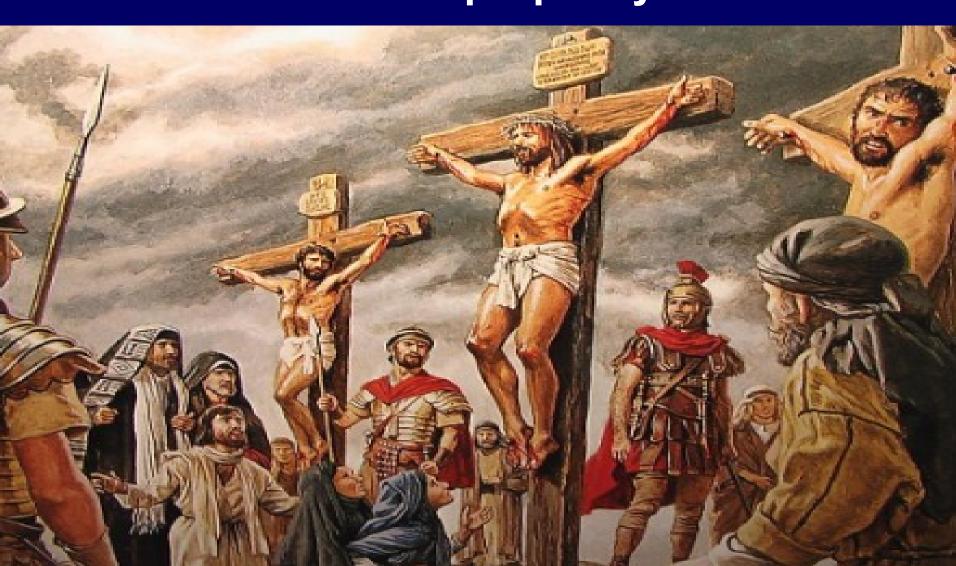
God's love for mankind allowed Jesus to be a substitute for every sinful man who will accept Him as Lord, Saviour and King.

Jesus said,

"I am the way, the truth and the life; no man comes unto the father but by me."

(John 14:6; Hebrews 4:15;)

SUFFERING ON THE CROSS for the sins of all mankind, Jesus fulfilled the prophecy of Isaiah.



"Surely he has borne our grief and carried our sorrows. He was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed." (Isaiah 53:4, 5).

As the mob shouted and jeered, they were unaware that Christ was praying, "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do."

Neither could they foresee that many of these very Jews soon would accept Him as their Saviour.

Acts 2:36-41;

IN KEEPING WITH JEWISH CUSTOM soldiers came late in the afternoon to break the bones of those on the cross so that they would die before the Jewish Sabbath began at 6:00 P.M. Since they found Jesus already dead, they did not break His bones.

This fulfilled another prophecy concerning the Messiah, "A bone of Him shall not be broken." (John 19:36;)

a soldier thrust a spear into Jesus' side and His blood was shed for our sins.



Since the Scriptures state that blood and water came forth, many medical authorities have suggested that this implies that Jesus died of a ruptured heart brought on by the agony of bearing the sin of all mankind. John 19:31-37;

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CHRISTIAN AGE FROM ACTS 2 until CHRIST'S RETURN

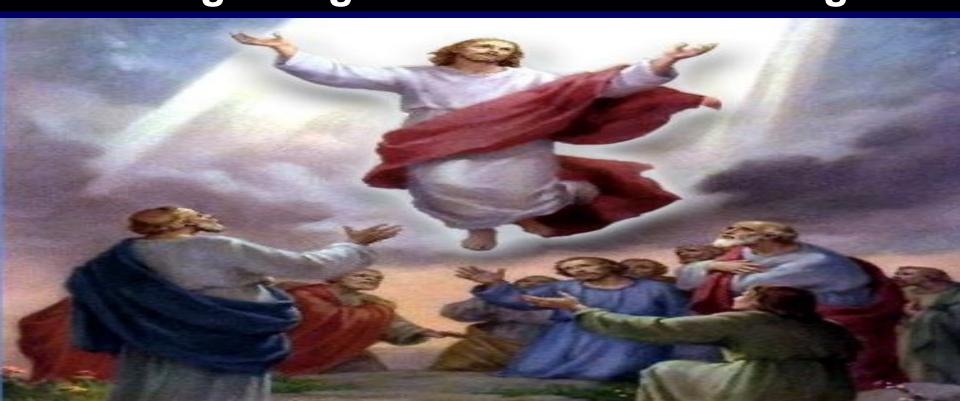
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