

LIFE OF CHRIST

COMMUNICATION SKILLS

Five skills -for God's Personal service

Home and abroad

Silent Moment for each new class

GOOD MORNING

Mal:3:16: Then they that feared the LORD spake often one to another: and the LORD hearkened, and heard it, and a book of remembrance was written before him for them that feared the LORD, and that thought upon his name.

Bible or some information to pass on

1. **READ**—*Information The Bible or an article you intend to pass on to someone else.*
2. **RE-ACT**—*Emotions -Here is where you let your emotions become involved. What is this saying to you?*
3. **RESPOND**—*Writing—Put your material into a story form by writing down the highlights*
4. **REHEARSE**—*Looking—A Mirror is a great place to prepare for your delivery,*
5. **REPEAT**—*Repetition—This information is for whosoever will and you will become fruitful. God gives the increase.*

1Pt:4:11: If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God; if any man minister, let him do it as of the ability which God giveth: that God in all

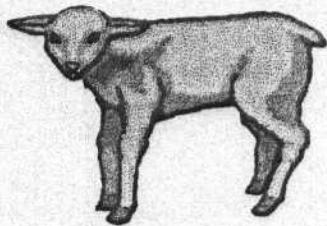
PRAY, PRAY, PRAY, AND

KEEP PRAYING

BATH EVERYTHING IN PRAYER

Read, React, Respond, Rehearse, Repeat

First assignment- The Lamb f God: Jn:1:29: The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.



Passion of Loving Silence Isaiah 53

A man had worked for a meat packing firm for many years. He had cut the throats of animals. He had heard the cattle bellow, the fowl squawk, the pigs squeal. One day a farmer brought a lamb to be slaughtered. With business as usual, the man took his sharp knife and cut the lamb's throat. The lamb did not squawk, squall, or flounder like other livestock did. It did not bellow and than slump like the cattle. The little lamb tottered toward its executioner, licked the blood from his hands, and began to totter from side to side. Then the lamb silently slumped and slipped into death.

The death of the lamb changed the life of the man who worked at the slaughter house forever. Within two weeks he quit the job never to return. It would be wonderful if the same could be said about Herod and his henchmen as they play their part in Jesus' death. That was not the case as you see their desire for amusement turned into raucous and spiteful humor at the expense of the suffering Savior. For them, His plight was nothing short of comedy. His suffering was only a way to pass an otherwise boring morning.

Since the day of Herod, many others have seen the Lamb of God pouring out His life. For them, He has been a vestige from the past. His Name only to be used in anger or obscene jokes. But for countless others, the sight of Jesus The Lamb of God silently, slowly dying, it makes no difference whether Jesus was appearing in front of a king, a procurator, or a crowd. He did not complain or fight. His only motivation was and is love. His silence was the price He paid to save your soul. It was a silence that has caused a change in your life that cannot be forgotten. Where once you were doomed, now you are delivered. You are changed because of the silent Lamb of God.

JOHN 1:29 BEHOLD THE LAMB, OF GOD WHICH TAKETH AWAY THE SIN OF THE WORLD.

Isaiah 53

1 Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the LORD revealed?

2: For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: he hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see him, there is no beauty that we should desire him.

3: He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

4: Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.

5: But 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.

6: All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.

7: He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth.

8: He was taken from prison and from judgment: and who shall declare his generation? for he was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgression of my people was he stricken.

9: And he made his grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death; because he had done no violence, neither was any deceit in his mouth.

10: Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise him; he hath put him to grief: when thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see his seed, he shall prolong his days, and the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.

11: He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities.

12: Therefore will I divide him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he hath poured out his soul unto death: and he was numbered with the transgressors; and he bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

2. "And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye,..."
3. "And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and..."
4. "Take heed therefore how ye hear: for whosoever hath, to him shall be given; and whosoever hath not,..."
5. "For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: but whosoever..."
6. "And Jesus said unto him, No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, ..."
7. "Therefore said he unto them, The harvest truly is great, but..."
8. "And he said unto them, Take heed, and beware of covetousness: for a man's life..."
9. "Consider the lilies how they grow: they toil not, they spin not; and yet I say unto you,..."
10. "In the Gospel according to Luke Jesus mentions by name at least a dozen Old Testament characters. Can you name four of them?

THINGS JESUS SAID: RECORDED BY JOHN

Continue, if you can, the quotations.

1. "For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world;..."
2. "God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must...."
3. "Jesus saith unto them, My meat is to do the...."
4. "So when they continued asking him, he lifted up himself, and said unto them, He that is without sin among you, let...."
5. "I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the...."
6. "Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life:..."
7. "A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that...."
8. "Greater love hath no man than this, that...."
9. "Ye are my friends, if..."
10. "And this is life eternal, that ..."

Assignments

<u>Given</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Due</u>	<u>Done</u>
Oct. 14, 2003	Valley in N.T. - Where? Hell someone "W. 100 ft from..."	Oct. 21, 2003	X
description: memorize	I Chron. 29:11 for I Cor. 15:57		X
Oct. 14	Study Exam + Answers - Quizes	Oct. 21, 2003	X
Oct. 21	Look up "Standard" + "evidence" Num. 2:2	Oct. 29	X
* Dec 2	There Will be a <u>Test</u> : Things Jesus Did, Said	Dec. 9	
Dec. 2	I Am's of Christ / who is witness to Answers to Q's given on page	Dec. 9	
Jan. 10	72 STEPS & Days of Israel		X
Jan. 16	Prophecy + fulfillment from Pg. 11 / Water Baptism	Jan. 20	X
Jan. 13	test yourself on The ministry of Holy Spirit	Jan. 20	

VICTORY Old and New Testament

2Sam:19:2: And the victory that day was turned into mourning unto all the people: for the people heard say that day how the king was grieved for his son.

2Sam:23:10: He arose, and smote the Philistines until his hand was weary, and his hand clave unto the sword: and the LORD wrought a great victory that day; and the people returned after him only to spoil.

2Sam:23:12: But he stood in the midst of the ground, and defended it, and slew the Philistines: and the LORD wrought a great victory.

1Chron:29:11: Thine, O LORD, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for all that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine; thine is the kingdom, O LORD, and thou art exalted as head above all.

Ps:98:1: O sing unto the LORD a new song; for he hath done marvellous things: his right hand, and his holy arm, hath gotten him the victory.

Isa:25:8: He will swallow up death in victory; and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from off all faces; and the rebuke of his people shall he take away from off all the earth: for the LORD hath spoken it.

Mt:12:20: A bruised reed shall he not break, and smoking flax shall he not quench, till he send forth judgment unto victory.

1Cor:15:54: So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory.

1Cor:15:55: O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?

1Cor:15:57: But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

1Jn:5:4: For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.

Rv:15:2: And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire: and them that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name, stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God.

IT'S IN THE VALLEYS I GROW

Sometimes life seems hard to bear,
Full of sorrow, trouble and woe
It's then I have to remember
That it's in the valleys I grow.

If I always stayed on the mountain top
And never experienced pain,
I would never appreciate God's love
And would be living in vain.

I have so much to learn
And my growth is very slow,
Sometimes I need the mountain tops,
But it's in the valleys I grow.

I do not always understand
Why things happen as they do,
But I am very sure of one thing.
My Lord will see me through.

My little valleys are nothing
When I picture Christ on the cross
He went through the valley of death;
His victory was Satan's loss.

Forgive me Lord, for complaining
When I'm feeling so very low.
Just give me a gentle reminder
That it's in the valleys I grow.

Continue to strengthen me, Lord
And use my life each day
To share your love with others
And help them find their way.

Thank you for valleys, Lord
For this one thing I know
The mountain tops are glorious
But it's in the valleys I grow!

(This poem was written by Jane Eggleston who currently lives in Virginia. Her son Jeff states, "She is a wonderful person, loves Jesus and has been the best mother anyone could ever ask for." What a fitting tribute to any mother.)

ANSWERS:

THINGS THAT JESUS DID

1. Until He was thirty, He almost certainly worked as a carpenter for the support of the members of the family: His mother and His brothers and sisters. *Mark 6:3 - The Carpenter*
2. Luke tells us of His reading aloud in the synagogue of His home town, Nazareth. *Luke 4:16*
3. He took them in His arms and blessed them. *Mark 26:37 Mark 10:13-16*
4. Nowhere does the Bible say so. For this reason many people have said that He never was sick. More than one verse implies that at times He was very tired.
Matt. 26:37
5. He did. *Matthew 17:24-27*
6. Our only record of Jesus' writing is of a time when He stooped down and wrote with His finger upon the ground. *John 8:6*
7. Often and sometimes sternly.
8. It would seem that He did. In Matthew's account of the Last Supper, we are told, "And when they had sung an Hymn, they went out into the Mount of Olives."
Matthew 26:30
9. This question may seem fantastastic but, in reading John 21, it seems probably that He did.
10. He "went about doing good." He did. *Acts 10:36*

THINGS JESUS SAID: RECORDED BY MATTHEW

1. ... lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal:
2. ...that ye be not judged.
3. ...of thorns, or figs of thistles?
4. "...know what thy right hand doeth:"
5. "...ye have done it unto me" *Matt. 25:40*
6. "...is the evil thereof. *Matt. 6:34*. In other words, don't worry."

7. "...but sinners to repentance" Matt. 9:13
8. "...and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?" Matt. 16:26
9. "...my words shall not pass away" Matt. 24:35
10. "...do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets.," Matt. 7:~~10~~ 12

THINGS JESUS SAID: RECORDED BY MARK

1. "...not man for the sabbath:" Mark. 2:27
2. "...that house cannot stand" Mark 3:25
3. "...but in his own country, and among his own kin, and in his own house." Mark 6:4
4. "...deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me." Mark 8:34
5. "...the same shall be last of all, and servant of all." Mark 9:35
6. "...of such is the kingdom of God." Mark 10:14
7. "...to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many." Mark 10:45
8. "...me ye have not always." Mark 14:7
9. "...but the flesh is weak." Mark 14:38
10. "...and preach the gospel to every creature." Mark 16:15

THINGS JESUS SAID: RECORDED BY LUKE

1. "...but by every word of God" Luke 4:4
2. "...but perceivest not the beam that is in thine own eye?" Luke 6:41
3. "...do not the things which I say?" Luke 6:46
4. "...from him shall be taken even that which he seemeth to have" Luke 8:18
5. "...will lose his life for my sake, the same shall save it" Luke 9:24
6. "...is fit for the kingdom of God" Luke 9:62

7. "...the labourers are few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest" Luke 10:2
8. "...consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth."
9. "...that Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these."
10. "...Old Testament Charaters whom Jesus names are:
Abraham (Lu 13:16; Lu 13:28; Lu 16:22-25, 29,30; Lu 19:9; Lu. 20:37),
Noah/Noe (Lu 17:26, 27)
Lot (Lu. 17:28,29,32),
Isaac (Lu 13:28; Lu. 20:37),
Jacob (13:28; Lu. 20:37),
Moses (Lu 5:14; Lu 16:29; Lu 16:31; Lu 20:37; Lu 24:27; Lu 24:44)
David (Lu 6:3; Lu 20:42,42,44)
Solomon (Lu 11:31; Lu 12:27)
Elijah/Elias (Lu 4:17)
Elisha/Eliseus (Lu 4:25,26)
Naaman (Lu 4:27)
Jonah/ Jonas (Lu 11:29, 30, 32)

THINGS JESUS SAID: RECORDED BY JOHN

1. "...but that the world through him might be saved." John 3:17
2. "...must worship him in spirit and in truth." John 4:24
3. "... the will of him that sent me, and to finish his work." John 4:34
4. "...let him first cast a stone at her." John 8:7
5. "...the night comet, when no man can work." John 9:4
6. "...he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:" John 11:25
7. "...that ye also love one another." 13:34
8. "...that a man lay down his life for his friends." John 15:13
9. "...ye do whatsoever I command you." John 15:14
10. "...they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent."
John 17:3

LIFE OF CHRIST**QUESTIONS**

1. **What came first, the Gospel or the Gospels?**
 - a. John 8:58
 - b. Matt. 2:1

2. **What is the difference between the Gospel and the Gospels?**
 - a. Living Gospel
 - b. Written Gospels

3. **What is the power of God? Romans 1:16**
 - a. Gospel
 - b. Gospels

4. **Give Divine purposes of the Gospel.**
 - a. 1 Cor. 15:1-3 To save the Lost

5. **What is the Divine purpose of the Gospels?**
 - a. This Holy script deals with the birth, life and death of Jesus Christ. This is the greatest message ever told, heard and felt To Teach, inform

6. **Do we have the Gospel today?**
 - a. Matthew 28:20

7. **Do we have the Gospels today?**
 - a. Ex:4:2: And the LORD said unto him, What is that in thine hand? And he said, A rod.

8. **Can the Gospel be perverted?**
 - a. Gal. 1:7,8

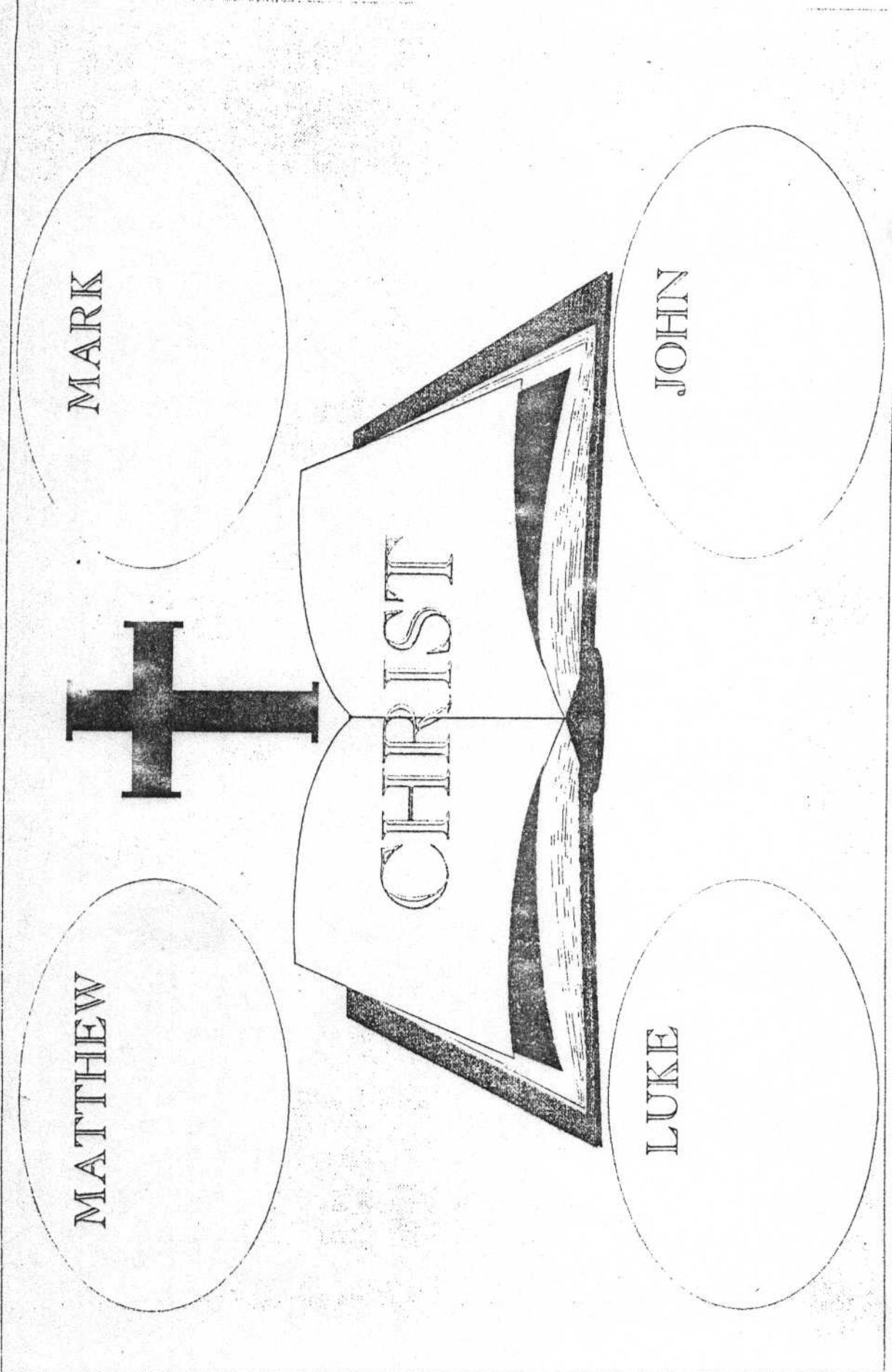
9. **Can the Gospels be perverted?**
 - a. Deut. 12:32
 - b.. Rev. 22:18

10. **How do we understand the Gospels?**
 - a. John 14:16, John 15:16, 27

11. **Did not our heart burn within us?**
 - a. Luke 24:

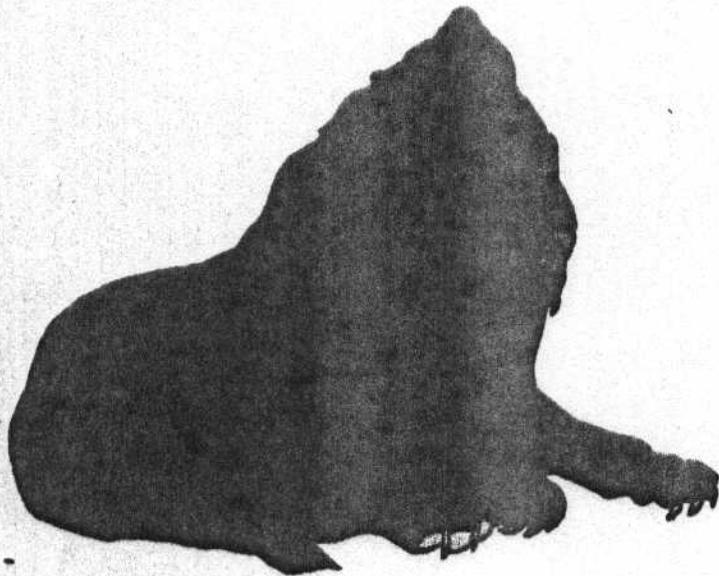
In the study of the Gospel and the Gospels you will receive great light and understanding from the Holy Spirit. Praise God! See you in the Gospels with the Gospel.

WHY FOUR GOSPELS?



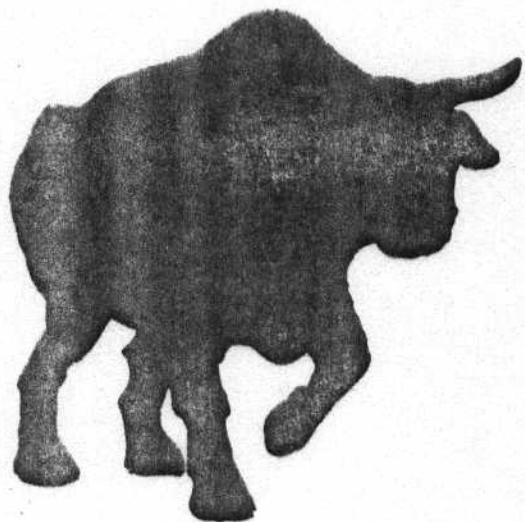
Matthew

Lion



Mark

Ox



Ezekiel 1:10 {Four faces} Rev.4:11

Luke

Face of a Man



John

Eagle



Matthew-

A gift of God

Purpose: To Prove that Jesus is the Messiah, the Eternal King.

Author: Matthew (Levi)

To whom written: Jews

Date written: AD60-65

Setting: Matthew was a Jewish Tax collector who became one of Jesus' Disciples. This Gospel forms the connective link between the Old and New Testament because of its emphasis on the fulfillment of prophecy.

Key Verse: Matthew 5:17 " Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil."

Key People: Jesus, Mary, Joseph, John the Baptist, 12 disciples, the religious leaders, Caiaphas, Pilate, Mary Magdalene.

Key Places: Bethlehem, Jerusalem, Capernaum, Galilee, Judea

Special Features: Matthew is filled with Messianic language(Son of David is used throughout) Old Testament reference 53 Quotes, 76 other references.
This gospel written as a chronological account.
It's clear Purpose is to present the clear evidence that Jesus is the Messiah, The Savior ,The KING OF KINGS.

MARK- The Great Hammer

Purpose: To Present the person, work and teaching of Jesus.

Author: He was not one of the 12 disciples but he accompanied Paul on His first missionary Journey. Acts 13:13.

To whom written: The Christians in Rome..

Date written: AD 55-65

Settings: The Roman Empire under Tiberius Caesar. The Empire with its common language and excellent transportation and communication systems, was ripe to hear Jesus message which spread quickly from nation to nations.

Key Verse: Mark 10:45: For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.

Key People: Jesus, the twelve disciples, Pilate, the Jewish religious leaders.

Key Places: Capernaum, Nazareth, Caesarea, Philippi, Bethany, Mount Olives, Jerusalem, Golgatha.

Special Features: Mark was the first Gospel written. The other Gospels quote 31 verses of Mark. Mark records more miracles than the other Gospels.

Luke—A light giving Evangelist

Purpose

To present an accurate account of the life of Lord Jesus Christ.

To present Jesus Christ has the perfect man.

Author

Luke a Greek Gentile Christian plus a doctor.
(Col. 4:14) He is the only Gentile author in the New testament. He was and is a very dear friend of Paul. He also wrote the book of Acts and these Two books seem to fit together.

To Whom Written

Theophilus (Lover of God), people everywhere.

Date written

A.D.60

Setting

Luke wrote from Caesarea or Rome.

Key Verse

Luke 19:9,10 And Jesus said unto him, This day is salvation come to your house, forasmuch as he also is a son of Abraham. For the son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.

Key People

Jesus, Elizabeth, Zacharius, John the Baptist, Mary, 12 Disciples, Herod the Great, Mary Magdalene/ and Pilate,

Key Places

Jordan Country side, Samaria, Galilee, Bethany, Jerusalem.

Special Features



This is the most comprehensive Gospel, The general vocabulary and dictionary shows that the author was very educated. He makes frequent references to illnesses and diagnosis.

Luke stresses Jesus' relationship with people emphasizes prayer, miracles, and angels. Records inspired hymns of praise. Gives a special prominent position to women.

JOHN
JEHOVAH FAVORED

Purpose *To prove conclusively that Jesus is the Son of God and that who believes in Him will have everlasting life. Hallelujah.*

Author *John the apostle, son of Zebedee, Brother of James, Called the “son of thunder”.*

To whom written Christians and search for non Christians.

Date written AD85-90

Setting *Written after the destruction of Jerusalem AD 70 and before John was exiled to the Isle of Patmos.*

Key Verse *John 20:30,31 “And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written, that you might believe that Jesus is the Christ , the Son of God: and that believing you might have life through his name.”*

Key People *Jesus, John the Baptist, the 12 Disciples, Mary, Martha, Lazarus, Jesus' Mother. Mary Pilate , Mary Magdalene.*

Key places *Judean Country side, Samaria, Galilee, Bethany, Jerusalem.*

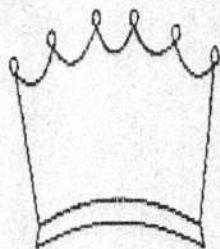
Special Features *Of the eight miracles recorded six are unique among the gospels.*
Notice the Upper room Discourse John 14-17
Does not contain a genealogy or record of Jesus' birth his Childhood.



Christ in Four Dimensions

John

(Soaring Vision)



Dan

Asher

(Eagle)

Naphtali

Manassah

Levi

Most
Holy
Place

Holy Place

Numbers 2

Ezekiel 1

Revelation 4

Mark

(Iseling Servant)

Ephriam

(As)

Matthew

(King of Kings)

Judah

(Jew)

Benjamin

Zebulon

Simeon

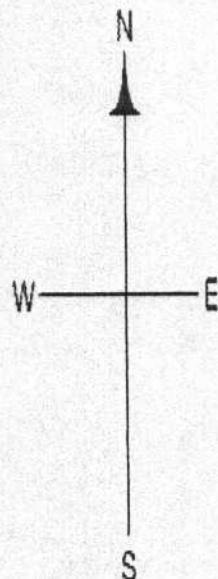
Gad

Reuben

(Man)

Luke

(Son of Man)



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~~#~~ Silent Moment

Before salvation we are quite selfish and for the most part unaware of the true importance and value of life. Life seems as a hardship, a series of difficulties with no promise of a future rest. I believe these points were a part of the Watchers mentality, but in a moments time there was an awakening of feeling in this man's heart. When Christ came to me and turned the light on "to the gift of salvation" and my need it took only a moment for so much to change. His value never changed, but when God touched me with His love I loved and worshipped ^{His} greatness and glory. I no longer can continue crucifying the Saviour with my sins without great conviction and a hurt ^{because of} ~~with~~ knowledge that I hurt the one who loved me first and the most.

How did this article affect you?

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Luke 4:16 "as was His Custom"

- Silent Moment -

If what I preach or teach is a part of my life
My message will be effective.

Why Four Gospels?
It knows best!

Day 5
Oct. 21

The Touch of the Master's Hand

Twas battered and scarred, and the auctioneer
Thought it scarcely worth his while
To waste much time on the old violin,
But held it up with a smile.

"What am I bidden, good folks," he cried,
"Who will start bidding for me?
A dollar, a dollar" -then, "Two!" "Only two?
Two dollars, and who'll make it three?
Three dollars once; three dollars, twice;
Going for three—" But no,
From the room, far back, a gray-haired man
Came forward and picked up the bow;
Then, wiping the dust from the old violin,
And tightening the loose strings,
He played a melody pure and sweet
As sweet as a caroling angel sings.

The music ceased, and the auctioneer,
With a voice that was quiet and low,
Said, "What am I bidden for the old violin?"
And he held it up with the bow.
"A thousand dollars, and who'll make it two?
Two thousand! And who'll make it three?
Three thousand, once; three thousand, twice;
And going, and gone!" said he.
The people cheered, but some of them cried,
"We do not quite understand
What changed its worth?" Swift came the reply:
"The touch of the master's hand."

And many a man with life out of tune,
And battered and scattered with sin,
Is auctioned cheap to the thoughtless crowd,
Much like the old violin.
A "mess of pottage," a glass of wine;
A game - and he travels on.
He's "going" once, and "going" twice,
He's "going" and almost "gone."
But the Master comes, and the foolish crowd
Never can quite understand
The worth of a soul, and the change that's wrought
By the touch of the Master's hand.



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"Valley" is found one time in the
New Testament — Luke 3:5.

"Every valley shall be filled, and every
mountain and hill shall be brought low;
and the crooked shall be made straight,
and the rough ways shall be made
smooth."

I memorized I Chronicles 29:11.

Thank You

I memorized I Corinthians 15:57.

I told my Grammy Pat "it's in the
valley you grow." good. She is such
a wonderful Gramma!

Steven:

How did your heart
respond to this poem?

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"Silent Moment"

"The Touch of the Master's hand"

I'm so very grateful for the Lord's every touch.

I am reminded by this poem of the great change

He worked when he saved my soul. I am filled

with a deep appreciation for the Lord's touch,

and also a little fear that I don't want to

ever be beyond his reach. In reading this poem

I am forever grateful for the Lord's every touch.

"Lord, keep me as the apple of thine eye!"

Good Response

Heart felt

J?

**.THE FOUR-FOLD PRESENTATION OF THE GOSPEL
CAN BE FOUND IN THE OLD TESTAMENT**

Ezekiel 1:10——Rev. 4:7

MATTHEW Zechariah 9:9 Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King cometh unto thee: he is just, and having salvation; lowly, and riding upon an ass, and upon a colt the foal of an ass.

MARK Isaiah 42:1 Behold my servant, whom I uphold; mine elect, in whom my soul delighteth; I have put my spirit upon him: he shall bring forth judgment to the Gentiles.

LUKE Zachariah 6:12 And speak unto him, saying, Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, saying, Behold the man whose name is The BRANCH; and he shall grow up out of his place, and he shall build the temple of the LORD:

JOHN Isaiah 40:9 O Zion, that bringest good tidings, get thee up into the high mountain; O Jerusalem, that bringest good tidings, lift up thy voice with strength; lift it up, be not afraid; say unto the cities of Judah, Behold your God!

MATTHEW Jeremiah 23:5 Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth.

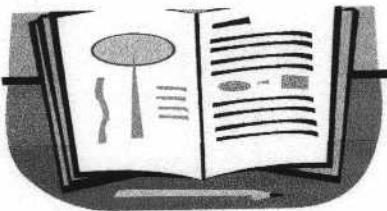
Mark Zechariah 3:8: Hear now, O Joshua the high priest, thou, and thy fellows that sit before thee: for they are men wondered at: for, behold, I will bring forth my servant the BRANCH.

Luke Zachariah 6:12 And speak unto him, saying, Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, saying, Behold the man whose name is The BRANCH; and he shall grow up out of his place, and he shall build the temple of the LORD:

John Isaiah 40:9: The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Isaiah 40:2 In that day shall the branch of the LORD be beautiful and glorious, and the fruit of the earth shall be excellent and comely for them that are escaped of Israel.

**TREASURE SEEKING!
CAN YOU FIND JESUS IN THE ABOVE SCRIPTURES?**

Let Me Tell You What Evolution Says...



A long time ago, don't know when and don't know where, because there wasn't any where and there wasn't any time. But, a long time ago there was nothing and It was no where that makes sense. Nothing can be no where. Nothing doesn't have to have somewhere to be, because it is nothing, and nothing can be no where. A Long time ago there was nothing no where, a long time ago when there wasn't a Anywhere. And one day this nothing all got together and decided to be something. Now something can't be nowhere, so nowhere is now somewhere, because you see it has to have somewhere to be something. Because nothing can be nowhere, but something can't be nowhere, it has to be somewhere. So now nowhere is somewhere and now nothing is something and this is a long time ago when there wasn't anywhere anyway.

And now this nothing that has become something is somewhere a long time ago when there wasn't anywhere and it got to going round and round real fast and a chunk of something flew off of something which was formally nothing and is now something and when it cooled, it is the earth you live on and that's really something. And they don't know where the sunshine came from but you can't live without it so that's handy and they don't know where the water came from, but you've got to have it and you can't live without it so that's handy. And so there was water and sunshine and wind and the wind blew and the sun shone and the water rippled and the wind blew and the sun shone and the water rippled and the wind blew and the sun shone and the water rippled and that went on and on and nobody knows how long cause there was nobody here anyway.

And then one day a glob of jelly (protoplasm - amoeba) came floating up out of the water and it landed on the shore. Now most jelly would have gone right back in the next wave but not this one, it was a real sticker and it stuck right there for over four million years. For four million years doing nothing one day it began to wiggle, I don't blame it after four million years, I'd do something too. Now it began to wiggle and squiggle and giggle and then it came alive and then it died and the sands of time buried it, and it came alive and then it died and the sands of time buried it and it came alive and it died and it lived and it died and it lived and now you're not going to believe just what I'm going to tell you, but now, he teaches over there at the university. Don't get mad at me I didn't say it. Evolution said it!

THE FOURFOLD GOSPEL ACCOUNT

	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
PORTRAIT of CHRIST	KING AND LIONLIKE	SERVANT AND OXLIKE	PERFECT MAN AND MANLIKE	MIGHTY GOD AND EAGLELIKE
Angelic reminder Rev. 4; Ezek. 1	FIRST CREATURE LIONLIKE	SECOND CREATURE OXLIKE	THIRD CREATURE MANLIKE	FOURTH CREATURE EAGLELIKE
Style of writer	TEACHER	PREACHER	HISTORIAN	THEOLOGIAN
Emphasis by writer	His Sermons	His Miracles	His Parables	His Doctrines
CULTURE OF ORIGINAL READERS				
- Genealogical record REASON	YES: Matthew 1:1-17 A king must have one	NO A servant needs none	YES: Luke 3:23-38 A perfect man should have one	NO God has none
ROOT	Traces the regal line of David through his son Solomon		Traces the physical line of David through another son, Nathan	
FRUIT	Leads to Joseph, the legal stepfather of Jesus		Leads to Mary the physical mother of Jesus	
Place of main action	CAPERN A U M I N G A L I L E E		JERUSALEM IN JUDEA	
Twofold division	Synoptic Gospels—stress the humanity of Christ		Fourth Gospel—stresses the deity of Christ	

THINGS THAT JESUS DID

We must always remember that He did many more things than those told of Him. For instance in the Gospel according to John we read, "Jesus wept." Nowhere do we read, "Jesus smiled." Yet can you imagine Him surrounded by little children and not smiling at them? He, who was always talking about joy? Of course he smiled. As other things.

1. Did Jesus ever earn His living by manual labor? Yes
2. Did Jesus ever read aloud? Yes
3. Jesus was, as one of our hymns says, a "friend of little children," when parents brought their children to Him, what did he do? *He too took them in His arms & blessed them.*
4. Was Jesus ever sick? *Not mentioned in Scripture that he was*
5. Jesus was once asked if it was lawful to pay tribute to Caesar. Did He Himself ever pay taxes? Yes.
6. Did Jesus ever write anything? Yes.
7. Did Jesus ever warn people of dangers and evils that lay ahead? Yes.
8. Did Jesus ever sing? Yes.
9. Did Jesus ever prepare a meal? Yes
10. Jesus of course did countless things that we cannot do.
Yet Peter once condensed His life into four words that offer a not impossible program for every one of us. What did Peter say? *Went about doing good*

THINGS JESUS SAID: RECORDED BY MATTHEW

Since these were words spoken by Jesus, they are among the most famous words ever spoken by any one. Can you complete the quotations?

1. "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But ..." *lay up for ourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves don't break through nor steal.*
2. "Judge not..." *that ye be not judged*
3. "Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes..." *"of thorns, or figs of thistles"*
4. "But when thou doest alms, ..." (That is, when you do any good things) "let not thy left hand..." *know what thy right hand doeth.*
5. "And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ..." *Ye have done it unto me.*

6. Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day..." *is the evil thereof*

7. But go ye and learn what that meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice: for I am not come to call the righteous,..." *but sinners to repentance*

8. "For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world,..." *and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?*

9. "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but..." *my words shall never pass away*

10. "Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do...."

do ye even so them: for this is the law and the prophets

THINGS JESUS SAID: RECORDED BY MARK

One of the things Mark tells us about Jesus' teaching is (Mark 12:27) that "the common people heard Him gladly." Can you continue the following quotations?

Give the "sense": it is not always necessary to give the exact wording.

1. And he said unto them, The sabbath was made for man, and ..." *not man for the Sabbath.*

2. "And if a house be divided against itself, ..." *that house cannot stand*

3. "But Jesus said unto them, A prophet is not without honour, but...." *in his own country, and among his own kin, and in his own house*

4. "And when he had called the people unto him with his disciples also, he said unto them,

Whosoever will come after me, let him..." *deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me*

5. "And he sat down, and called the twelve, and saith unto them, If any man desire to be first,..."
the same shall be last of all, and servant of all

6. "But when Jesus saw it, he was much displeased, and said unto them, Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for..." *of such is the Kingdom of Heaven.*

7. "For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but...." *to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.*

8. "For ye have the poor with you always, and whosoever ye will ye may do them good: but...."
me ye have not always.

9. "Watch ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation. The spirit truly is ready, but..."
the flesh is weak.

10. "And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world,..."
and preach the Gospel to every creature.

THINGS JESUS SAID: RECORDED BY LUKE

Continue, if you can, the quotations.

1. "And Jesus answered him, saying, It is written, That man shall not live by bread alone,..."
but by every word of God.

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Rev. Charlotte Brinchman
~~Oct~~ Nov. 4, 2003
S.M.
"Evolution"

I smile at this paper because it shows how utterly foolish evolution is. They claim to be wise, and yet, they are really simple minded. At the same time, I pity the men and women we have fallen into this deception of the devil. It makes me hate Satan and all his works all the more.

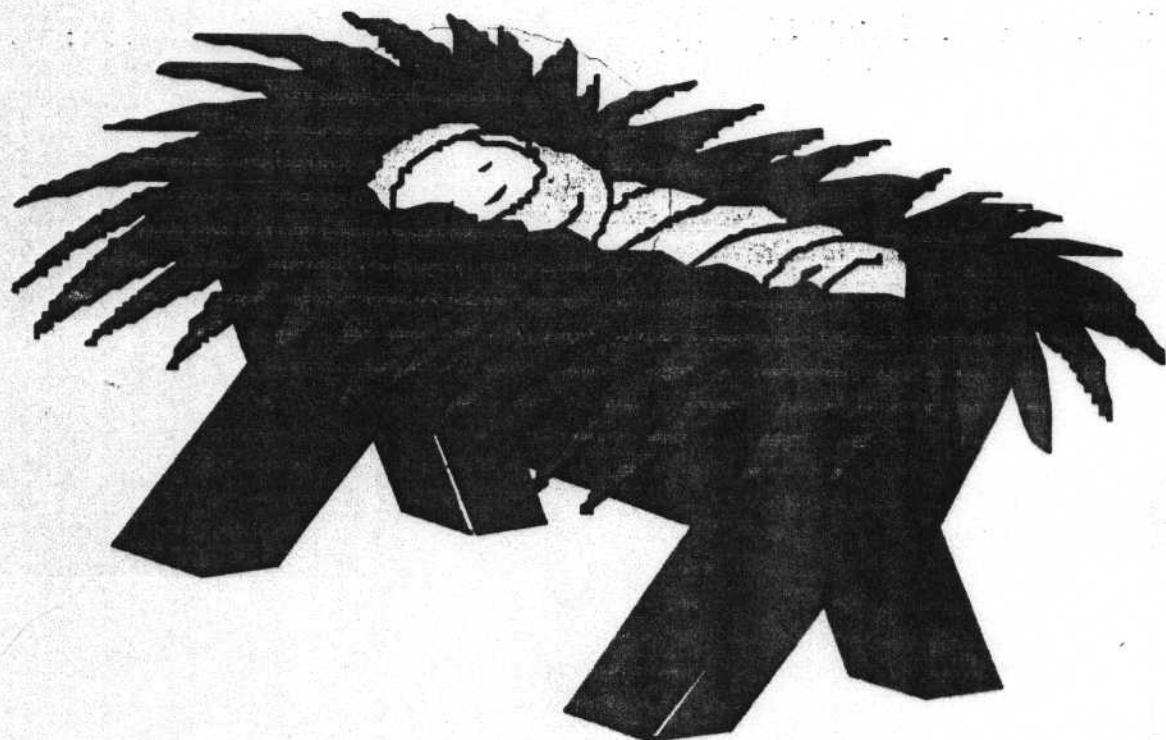
2005, H. M. M.

You used your heart
good

Life of Christ

opening remarks

**Mt:1:18: Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When
as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came
together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost.**



Opening Remarks:

LIFE OF CHRIST

"My prayer is for you and me" Life of Christ work in us forever more"

- A. Estimate 40 Billion souls have lived upon this earth since Adam.
Black, white, brown, yellow red
Every human being shares one vital thing, His purpose of life down here
One's Eternal destiny depends upon his relationship with the Lord Jesus
Christ. The key question of the universe is as following:
What think ye of Christ? Matt/ 22:42

Christ Is:

1.	<u>S. of S. 5:16</u>	<u>Artist</u>	The altogether lovely One
2.	<u>1Peter 2:6</u>	<u>Architect</u>	Chief corner stone
3.	<u>Mal. 4:2</u>	<u>Astronomer</u>	Sun of righteousness
4.	<u>John 6:35</u>	<u>Baker</u>	Bread of Life
5.	<u>Matt 13:44</u>	<u>Banker</u>	Hidden Treasure
6.	<u>Isaiah 28:16</u>	<u>Builder</u>	Sure Foundation
7.	<u>John 10:7</u>	<u>Carpenter</u>	Door
8.	<u>Jer. 8:22</u>	<u>Doctor</u>	Great Physician
9.	<u>Heb. 10:20</u>	<u>Educator</u>	New and Living Way
10.	<u>Luke 10:2</u>	<u>Farmer</u>	Sower and Lord of the Harvest

We have four Gospels — Four is the number of creation

- 1 Great Elements Earth, air, fire, water
2 Regions North, East, South, West
3. Divisions of mankind Lands, Tongues, Families, Nations

Gospel

1Cor.15:1-3

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11 PRE-EXISTENCE OF JESUS CHRIST

Some believe of His pre-existence but not His Deity

A. The fact of His Divine Existence

1. John the Baptist
 - a. John 1:15, 27,30
2. Taught by the Apostles...
 - a. John 1:1, 1John 1:2Connects pre-existence to His Deity
3. Taught by Peter
 - a. 1 Peter 1:20

Continuing with Opening Remarks

4. *Taught by Apostle Paul*
 - a. Phil. 2:6-8

5. *Taught by Christ*
 - a. John 6:38, John 6:51, 61,62
 - b. John 8:58, John 17:5

ISALAH 42:8, "I AM THE LORD THAT IS MY NAME AND MY GLORY I WILL NOT GIVE TO ANOTHER."

B. What was Jesus doing prior to His incarnation?

1. *He was creating the universe*
 - a. John 1:3
 - b. Col. 1:16
 - c. Heb 1:2, 10

2. *He was controlling this universe*
 - a. Heb. 1:3
 - b. Col. 1:17

Note: Our Lord not only put all things together but He continues to keep all things together.

3. *He was communicating with the Father.*
 - a. John 17:23
 - b. John 17:24

-Theo' - God

**III THE OLD TESTAMENT MINISTRY -Records a number of THEOPHANIES
(Pre-Bethlehem appearance of Christ).**

1. *The angel that redeemed me from all destruction* *Jesus*
 - a. Gen. 48:16

2. *Check on the word secret*
 - a. Judges 13:18.....Isaiah 9:6

Note: Let us examine some Old Testament Theophanies

1. *An Angel of the Lord first appeared to a Pregnant pagan girl Hagar.*
 - a. Gen. 16:7-1

2. *How did the Lord appear unto Abraham?*
 - b. Gen. 18: 1
 - c. Gen. 22:11

3. *Destruction of Sodom*
 - a. Genesis 19

continue open remarks

4.. Last minute salvation to Israel

- a. Gen. 28:13

Christ not only appeared to Jacob but wrestled with him . (Genesis 32:24-32)

5. These occasions are connected to Mt. Sinai

- a. Ex. 3:4, 5 Moses, near the mountain
b. Ex. 23:20 Angel sent before the glory passed by
c. Ex. 32:22, Final occasion was in the mountain

6. He appeared to Joshua as the Captain of the Lord's host

- a. Joshua 5:13-18

7. He appeared to Gideon as he was thrashing wheat.

- a. Judges 6:11-24

8. He appeared to Sampson's parents.

- Judges 13

9. He appeared to Isaiah

- a. Isaiah 6:1-13

10. He appeared to the three Hebrew children

- a. Daniel 3:24-25

11. Daniel in the lion's den. Last but not least..

- a. Daniel 6:22, 7:9-14

IV The Old Testament PROPHECIES

- a. Isaiah 7:14, 9:6,7

- b. Micah 5:2

New Testament

- | | |
|--------------|---------------|
| 1. John | Luke 1:17, 76 |
| 2. Mary | Luke 1:31,35 |
| 3. Elizabeth | Luke 1:42 |
| 4. Joseph | Matt. 1:20,21 |
| 5. Shepherds | Luke 2:10-13 |
| 6. Wise men | Matt. 2:1,2 |
| 7. Simeon | Luke 2:25-32 |
| 8. Anna | Luke 2:38 |

V Reasons for Christ incarnation:

1. To reveal the invisible God
2. To fulfill prophecy
3. To guarantee the Dravidic Covenant

continue with open remarks

4. To make a sacrifice for sin
5. To reconcile man to God
6. To provide an example to believers
7. To provide the believer with a High Priest
8. To destroy the Devil and His works
9. To give life in abundance
10. To Glorify the Father.

V1 Biblical Names and Titles of the Lord Jesus found in the Gospels.

Note: when you find the name in the Gospels please circle your Paper..

1. Adam Luke 3:38
2. Advocate
3. Almighty
4. Amen
5. Angel of the Lord
6. Anointed
7. Apostle
8. Author
9. Alpha
10. Babe Luke 2:12
11. Beginning of Creation John 1:2
12. Begotten of the Father John 1:14
13. Beloved Matthew 3:17
14. Bishop
15. Blessed Luke 19:38
16. Branch
17. Brazen Serpent John 3:14
18. Bridegroom Matthew 9:15
19. Bright and Morning Star
20. Captain
21. Carpenter Mark 6:3
22. Child Matthew 18:14
23. Christ 1:18
24. Commander
25. Consolation Luke 2:25
26. Corner Stone Matthew 21:42
27. Day Spring forth on High
28. Day Star
29. Deliverer Matthew 6:13
30. Desire of Nations
31. Door of the Sheepfold John 10:7
32. Emmanuel 1:23
33. Expresses image of God
34. Faithful Witness John 18:37
35. Father of Eternity
36. First fruits

Continue with open remarks

- 37. Fountain
- 38. Forerunner
- 39. Friend of Sinners *Matt. 11:19*
- 40. Gift of God
- 41. Glory of God
- 42. God *Matt. 13:23*
- 43. Governor
- 44. Guide
- 45. Head of Church
- 46. Heir of all things
- 47. High Priest
- 48. Holy child
- 49. Holy One of God
- 50. Holy One of Israel
- 51. Horn of Salvation
- 52. I Am the Bread of Life
- 53. I Am the Light of the World
- 54. I Am the Good Shepherd
- 55. I Am the door
- 56. I Am the resurrection
- 57. I Am the True Vine
- 58. I Am the Way, the Truth and the Life *John 14:6*
- 59. Jehovah
- 60. Jesus *Matt. 1:1*
- 61. Judge
- 62. King of Kings—King of Israel
- 63. King of the Jews *2:2*
- 64. Law Giver
- 65. Lamb of God
- 66. Lion of the Tribe of Judah
- 67. Lord of Lords
- 68. Man
- 69. Master
- 70. Mediator
- 71. Messiah
- 72. Mighty God
- 73. Minister
- 74. Nazareen
- 75. Only Begotten Son *John 3:16*
- 76. Passover
- 77. Physician
- 78. Potentate
- 79. Prince
- 80. Prophet
- 81. Propitiation
- 82. Power Of God
- 83. Purifier

continue with open remarks

- 84. Priest
- 85. Rabbi
- 86. Ransom
- 87. Reaper
- 88. Redeemer
- 89. Refiner
- 90. Refuge
- 91. Righteousness
- 92. Rock *Matt. 7:24*
- 93. Rod
- 94. Root of David
- 95. Rose of Sharon
- 96. Sacrifice
- 97. Samaritan *Luke 10:37*
- 98. Savior
- 99. Sound Mind
- 100. Seed of Abraham
- 101. Seed of the Woman
- 102. Seed of David
- 103. Servant
- 104. Shepherd
- 105. Shiloh
- 106. Son of David *1:1*
Mattew 4:2
- 107. Son of God *Mattew 8:20*
- 108. Son of Man *Mattew 6:3*
- 109. Son of Mary *Mrk. 6:3*
- 110. Son of the Most High God
- 111. Stone *Matt. 21:42*
- 112. Son of Righteousness
- 113. Teacher
- 114. Wonderful
- 115. WORD *John 1:1*

VII REDEMPTIVE NAMES OF JEHOVAH

- 1. Jehovah-Jireh *The Lord will provide*
a. *Genesis 22:13*
- 2. Jehovah-Nissi *The Lord, My Banner*
a. *Exodus 17:15*
- 3. Jehovah-Shalom *The Lord My Peace*
a. *Judges 6:24*
- 4. Jehovah-Sabaoth *The Lord of Hosts*

continue with open remarks

a. *1 Samuel 1:3, Isaiah 6:1-3*

5. *Jehovah-Maccaddeshoem The Lord thy Sanctifier*
a. *Exodus 31:13*

6. *Jehovah-Rohi (Raah) The Lord my Shepherd*
a. *Psalms 23:1*

7. *Jehovah Tsidkenu The Lord our Righteousness*
a. *Jeremiah 23:6*

8. *Jehovah-Shammah The Lord who is present*
a. *Ezekial 48:35*

9. *Jehovah-Rapha The Lord our Healer*
a. *Exodus 15:26*

Wise Parables From Children

A first grade teacher collected well-known proverbs. She gave each child in her class the first half of a proverb, and had them come up with the rest. Their insight may surprise you...



Better to be safe than.....Punch a 5th grader.

Strike While the.....Bug is close.

It's always darkest before.....Daylight Savings time.

Never underestimate the power of.....Termites.

You can lead a horse to water but.....how?

Don't bite the hand that.....looks dirty.

No news is.....impossible.

A miss is as good as aMr.

You can't teach an old dog new.....math.

If you lie down with dogs, you'll.....stink in the morning.

Love all, trust.....me.

The pen is mightier than thepigs.

An idle mind is.....The best way to relax.

Where there's smoke there's.....Pollution.

Happy the bride who.....gets all the presents.

A penny saved is.....not much.

Two's company, three's.....the Musketeers.

Don't put off till tomorrow what.....you put on to go to bed.

Laugh and the whole world laughs with you, cry and.....you have to blow your nose.

None are so blind as.....Helen Keller.

Children should be seen and not.....spanked or grounded.

If at first you don't succeed.....get new batteries.

You get out of something what you.....see pictured on the box.

When the blind leadeth the blind.....get out of the way.

Matthew

King
"Lion"

MARK

Servant
"Ox"

LUKE

"man"
"Face of a man"

JOHN

God
"Eagle"

Zechariah 9:9
"King"

Isaiah 42:1
"Servant"

Zechariah 6:12
"the man"

Isaiah 40:9
"God"

BRANCH

Jeremiah 23:5
"King"

Zechariah 3:8
"Servant"

Zechariah 6:12
"the man"

Isaiah 4:2
"God"

Lion = "King of the Jungle"

Ox = a male bull; a beast of labor

Man = an emotional and compassionate being

Eagle = soars high above the clouds; Majestic
and powerful

HE IS

He is the First and Last, the Beginning and the End!
He is the keeper of Creation and the Creator of all!
He is the Architect of the universe and The Manager of
all times.

He always was, He always is, and He always will be...
Unmoved, Unchanged, Undefeated, and never Undone!

He was bruised and brought healing!

He was pierced and eased pain!

He was persecuted and brought freedom!

He was dead and brought life!

He is risen and brings power!

He reigns and brings Peace!

The world can't understand him,

The armies can't defeat Him,

The schools can't explain Him, and a.. The leaders can't
ignore Him.

Herod couldn't kill Him,

The Pharisees couldn't confuse Him, and

The people couldn't hold Him!

Nero couldn't crush Him,

Hitler couldn't silence Him,

The New Age can't replace Him, and

Donahue can't explain Him away!

He is light, love, longevity, and Lord.

He is goodness, Kindness, Gentleness, and God.

He is Holy, Righteous, mighty, powerful, and pure.

His ways are right,

His word is eternal,

His will is unchanging, and

His mind is on me.

He is my Redeemer,

He is my Savior,

He is my guide, and

He is my peace!

He is my Joy,

He is my comfort,
He is my Lord, and
He rules my life!

I serve Him because His bond is love,
His burden is light, and
His goal for me is abundant life.

I follow Him because He is the wisdom of the wise,
The power of the powerful,
The ancient of days, the ruler of rulers,
The leader of leaders, the overseer of the overcomers,
and

The sovereign Lord of all that was and is and is to come.
And if that seems impressive to you, try this for size.
His goal is a relationship with ME!

He will never leave me,
Never forsake me,
Never mislead me,
Never forget me,
Never overlook me, and

Ever cancel my appointment in His appointment book!

When I fall, He lifts me up!
When I fail, He forgives!

When I am weak, He is strong!
When I am lost, He is the way!

When I am afraid, He is my courage!

When I stumble, He steadies me!
When I am hurt, He heals me!

When I am broken, He mends me!
When I am blind, He leads me!

When I am hungry, He feeds me!

When I face trials, He is with me!

When I face persecution, He shields me!
When I face problems, He comforts me!
When I face loss, He provides for me!

When I face Death, He carries me Home!

He is everything for everybody, everywhere,
Every time, and every way.
He is God, He is faithful.

I am His, and He is mine!
My Father in heaven can whip the father of this world.
So, if you're wondering why I feel so secure, understand
this...

He said it and that settles it.
God is in control, I am on His side, and
That means all is well with my soul.
Everyday is a blessing for GOD Is!

I love the Lord and thank Him for all that he does in my
life,
therefore, I am passing this on. Yes I do love Jesus.
He is my source of existence and my Savior. He keeps
me
functioning each and everyday. Without Him, I will be
nothing.
Without Him, I am nothing but with Him I can do all
things.

Philippians 4:13

TREASURES

Matt. 2:11

“And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary His mother, and fell down, and worshiped Him:

And when they had opened their TREASURES, they presented unto Him gifts;

GOLD, FRANKINCENSE AND MYRRH.”

Gold
Deity
King

Frankincense
Prayer
Priest

Myrrh
suffering
Prophet

Procedure for use

1. **Gold** *Beaten , hammered*
2. **Frankincense** *Burned*
3. **Myrrh** *Crushed*

Three Treasures

1. **Gold** *Father*
2. **Myrrh** *Son*
3. **Frankincense** *Holy Ghost*

Three TREASURES....Trinity, Resurrection

Stephen Keylor
Life of Christ
Nov. 18, 2003
"Silent Moment"

I chuckle at the paper because it is very...
cute. "A miss is as good as a... Mr.
made me laugh. Thank you for this silent
moment paper I enjoyed it. Laughter makes
good like a medicine

Good comment

Life of Christ

SEVENTY-TWO STEPS FROM GLORY TO GLORY

1
Step One: From Glory to Bethlehem (Lk. 2:1-21)

2
Step Two: From Bethlehem to Jerusalem (Lk. 2:22-38)

3
Step Three: From Jerusalem to Nazareth (Lk. 2:39)

Step Four: From Nazareth to Bethlehem (Mat. 2:1-12)

4
Step Five: From Bethlehem to Egypt (Mat. 2:13-18)

Step Six: From Egypt to Nazareth (Mat. 2:19-23; Lk. 2:40)

Step Seven: From Nazareth to Jerusalem (Lk. 2:41-50)

Step Eight: From Jerusalem to Nazareth (Lk. 2:51, 52)

5
Step Nine: From Nazareth to Bethabara on the Jordan River (Mat. 3:13-17;
Mk. 1:9-11; Luke 3:21-23; See also Num. 4:13)

6
Step Ten: From Bethabara to the temptation wilderness (Mat. 4:1-11;
Mk. 1:12,13; Lk. 4:1-13)

Step Eleven: From the temptation wilderness to Bethabara (Jn. 1:29-42)

7
Step Twelve: From Bethabara to Bethsaida (Jn. 1:43-51)

8
Step Thirteen: From Bethsaida to Cana (Jn. 2:1-11)

9

Step Fourteen: From Cana to Capernaum (Jn.2:12)

Step Fifteen: From Capernaum to Jerusalem (Jn.2:13--3:2)

Step Sixteen: From Jerusalem to the Jordan River (Jn.3:22-36) 16

Step Seventeen: From the Jordan River to Sychar in Samaria (Mt.4:12; Lk.3:19,20 Jn.4:1-42) 11

Step Eighteen: From Sychar to Cana (Jn.4:43-

Step Nineteen: From Cana to Nazareth (Lk.4:16-30)

Step Twenty: From Nazareth to Capernaum (Mat.4:13-22, 8:14-17; Mk.1:14-38;
21. (Mat.4:23, 8:2-4; Mk.1:39-45; Lk.4:43--5:16)

Step Twenty-Two: From the first Galilean preaching tour to Capernaum
(Mat.9:2-9; Mk.2:1-14; Lk.5:17-28)

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Step Twenty-Three: From Capernaum to a Galilean grain field (Mat.12:1-8;
Mt.2:23-28; Lk.6:1-5) 12

Step Twenty-Four: From a Galilean grain field to a Galilean synagogue
(Mat.12:9-14; Mk.3:1-6; Lk.6:6-11)

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Step Twenty-Five: From a Galilean synagogue to Mount Tabor
(Mat.5:1--7:29, 4:24,25, 10:2-4, 12:15-21;
Mk.1:12, 3:7-19; Lk.6:12-49, 12:22-31,57-59, 16:17)

Step Twenty-Six: From Mount Tabor to Capernaum (Mat.8:1, 5:13;
Lk.7:1-10)

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Step Twenty-Seven: From Capernaum to Nain (Lk.7:11-17, 3

Step Twenty-Eight: From Nain to the second Galilean preaching tour
(Mat.12:46-50, 13:1-52; Mk.3:19-35, 4:1-34
Lk.8:1-21, 12:10, 13

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Step Twenty-Nine: From the second Galilean preaching tour to the
country of the Gerasenes (Mat.8:18,23,34;
Mk.4:35--5:20; Lk.8:22-39)

Step Thirty: From the Gerasenes to Capernaum
(Mat.9:1, 10:34, 11:2-19; Mk. 2:15-22;
Mk.5:21-43; Lk.8:40-56, 5:29-39, 7:18-35, 16:16)

Step Thirty-One: From Capernaum to Jerusalem (Jn.5:1-47)

Step Thirty-Two: From Jerusalem to Nazareth (second visit)
(Mat.13:53-58; Mk.6:1-6)

Step Thirty-Three: From Nazareth to His third Galilean preaching tour
(Mat.9:35--10:1, 5-16, 24-33, 37-11:1, 14:1-13;
Mk.6:6-29; Lk.9:1-9)

Step Thirty-Four: From His third Galilean preaching tour to a
wilderness near Bethsaida (Mat.14:13-23; Mk.6:30-47;
Lk.9:10-17; Jn.6:1-18)

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Step Thirty-Five: From the Bethsaida wilderness to the Plain of
Gennesaret (Mat.14:24-36; Mk.6:48-56; Jn.6:19-21

Step Thirty-Six: From the Plain of Gennesaret to Capernaum
(Mat.15:1-20; Mk.7:1-23; Jn.6:22-71, 7:1)

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Step Thirty-Seven: From Capernaum to the Tyre and Sidon area
(Mat.15:21-28; Mk.7:24-30)

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Step Thirty-Eight: From Tyre and Sidon to the Decapolis region
(Mk.7:31-37)

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Step Forty: From Mt. Tabor to Magdala
(Mat.15:39--16:12; Mk.8:9-21)

Step Forty-One: From Magdala to Bethsaida
(Mk.8:22-26; Jn.7:2-9)

Step Forty-Two: From Bethsaida to Jerusalem
(Jn.7:10--10:39)

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Step Forty-Three: From Jerusalem to Perea
(Jn.10:40-42)

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Step Forty-Four: From Perea to Caesarea Philippi
(Mat.16:13-28; Mk.8:27--9:1; Lk.9:18-27)

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Step Forty-Five: From Caesarea Philippi to Mt. Hermon
(Mat.17:1-23; Mk.9:2-32; Lk.9:28-45)

Step Forty-Six: From Mt. Hermon to Capernaum
(Mat.17:24--18:35; Mk.9:33--10:1; Lk.9:4

Step Forty-Seven: From Capernaum to Perea
(Mt.8:19-22, 11:20-30, 19:1,2;
Lk.9:51-10:37; Mk.10:1)

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Step Forty-Eight: From Perea to Bethany and surrounding area
(Mat.10:34-36, 12:22-38, 42-45, 19:3--20:28, 24:43-51
Mk.10:2-45; Lk.10:38--12:9, 13:1-17, 22-35 14:1--
16:15, 18-31, 17:1-37, 18:1-34; Jn.11:1-54)

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Step Forty-Nine: From Bethany to Jericho (Mat.20:29-34; Mk.10:46-52
Lk.18:35--19:28)

Step Fifty: From Jericho to Bethany
(Mat.26:6-13; Mk.14:3-9; Lk.22:1; Jn.11:55--12:11)

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Step Fifty-One: From Bethany to Bethphage
(Mat.21:1-7; Mk.11:1-7; Lk.19:29-35)

Step Fifty-Two: From Bethphage to the upper room
(Mat.10:17-23, 21:8--23:39, 24:1-42, 25:1-46, 26:1-5, 14-
38;
Mk.11:8--13, 37, 14:1, 2, 10:25
Lk.12:11, 12; 13:34, 35; 19:36-20:8, 20-40, 45-47; 45-47 ;
21:1-38; 22:2-34; Jn.12:12)

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Step Fifty-Three: From the upper room to Gethsemane
(Mat.26:31-56; Mk.14:26-52; Lk.22:35-53; Jn.15:1--18:12)

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Step Fifty-Four: From Gethsemane to Annas' house
(Jn.18:12-14, 19-24)

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Step Fifty-Five: From Annas' house to Caiaphas' place
(Mat.26:57--27:1 Mk.14:53-72; Lk.22:54-71; Jn.18:15-18,
25-27)

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Step Fifty-Six: From Caiaphas' place to Pilate's hall
(Mat.27:2, 11-14; Mk.15:1-5; Lk.23:1-6; Jn.18:28-38)

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Step Fifty-Seven: From Pilate's hall to Herod's place
(Lk.23:7-12)

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Step Fifty-Eight: From Herod's place to Pilate's hall
(Mt.27:15-26; Mk.15:6-15; Lk.23:13-25; Jn.18:39--
19:16)

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Step Fifty-Nine: From Pilate's hall to the Praetorium court

(Mat.27:27-31; Mk.15:16-20)

Step Sixty: From the Praetorium court to Calvary
(Mat.27:32-56; Mk.15:21-41; Lk.23:26-49; Jn.19:16-
37)

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Step Sixty-One: From Calvary to Joseph's tomb
(Mat.27:57-66; Mk.15:42-47; Lk.23:50-56; Jn.19:31-
42)

Step Sixty-Two: From Joseph's tomb to the heart of the earth
(1 Peter 3:18-20)

Step Sixty-Three: From the heart of the earth to the resurrection garden
(Mt.28:2-4; Mk.16:9-11; Lk.24:12; Jn.20:1-18)

Step Sixty-Four: From the resurrection garden to the Father
(Jn.20:17)

Step Sixty-Five: From the Father to a road near Jerusalem
(Mat.28:5-15; Mk.16:2-8; Lk.24:1-11)

Step Sixty-Six: From a road near Jerusalem to the Emmaus Road
(Mk.16:12,13; Lk.24:13-35)

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Step Sixty-Seven: From Emmaus to the upper room
(Lk.24:36-43; Jn.20:19-23)

Step Sixty-Eight: From the upper room back to the upper room
(a week later) (Jn.20:24-29)

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Step Sixty-Nine: From the upper room to the Sea off Tiberias
(Jn.21:1-25)

Step Seventy: From the Sea off Tiberias to Mount Tabor
(Mt.28:16-20)

Step Seventy-One: From Mount Tabor to the upper room
(Mk.16:14-18; Lk.24:44-49)

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Step Seventy-Two: From the upper room to the Mount of Olives
(Mk.16:19,20; Lk.24:50-53; Acts 1:4-11) □□

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Life of Christ
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December 2, 2003
Silent Moment

"He Is"

"He is my everything, He is my all."
I am grateful beyond words for what
the Lord Jesus means to me. I feel safe and
sure because He leads me on. I am
confident in this one thing: He is able!

The Candy Cane Story

A candy maker in Indiana wanted to make a candy that would be a witness, so he created the Christmas candy cane.

He incorporated several symbols for the birth, ministry, and death of Jesus Christ.

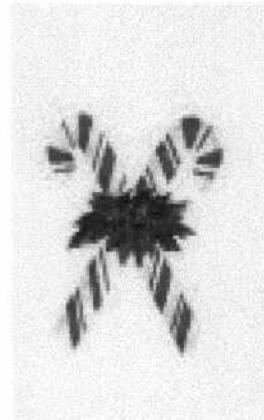
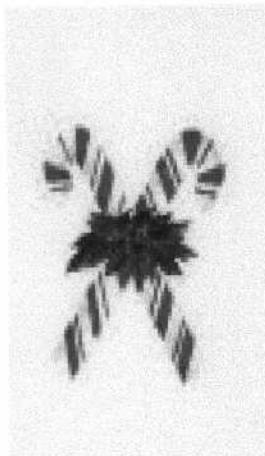
He began with a stick of pure white hard candy. White symbolizes the virgin birth and the sinless nature of Jesus. The hard candy symbolizes the solid rock - the foundation of the church and firmness of God's promises.

The candy maker made the candy in the form of the letter "J" to represent the name of Jesus. It also represents the staff with which the Good Shepherd reaches down to the ditches of the world to lift out the fallen lambs who, like all sheep, have gone astray.

Thinking that the candy was somewhat plain, the candy maker stained it with red stripes. The candy maker used three small stripes to represent the scourging Jesus received by which we were healed. The large red stripe was for the blood shed by Christ on the cross.

Since that time, however, the candy has become known as the candy cane. The story of its creation has been lost to tradition and mass production, and it is now available in many different colors, shapes, and sizes.

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16



THE TWELVE DAYS OF CHRISTMAS

The secret behind the song

In the sixteen century, England proclaimed an official church state, and any other religious teaching was strictly forbidden. So for the next three centuries, those who refused to join the state church developed creative ways to teach their children their beliefs. One popular method was to use lyric and song. Below you discover the secret Christian symbols concealed in the familiar carol "The Twelve Days of Christmas". This cheerful song about a generous benefactor who loved to give, could be freely sung without ever using God's name, because my true love in the song refers to God. So come along and discover for yourself how things are not always as thy seem. See how this old familiar carol overflows with rich spiritual significance that tells us why we celebrate the birth of the only Savior, Jesus. The next time you sing this song notice how even the repetitive pattern represents a special meaning--as the verses repeat over and over. So God's ongoing gifts and blessing continue to flow.

1. **A PARTRIDGE IN A PEAR TREE**----The Partridge was known to fight to the death to defend their young (Jesus is the partridge) a pear tree represents the cross. Jesus died upon the cross to save H is young.
2. **TWO TURTLE DOVES**----Joseph and Mary, forty days after the birth of Jesus, went to the temple to sacrifices two turtle doves as required by the law of the Old Testament. This reminds us that Jesus is the only sacrifice for our sins that can get a person into heaven. (The New Testament.)
3. **THREE FRENCH HENS**—These were valuable poultry that only the rich could afford. These three French hens symbolize the tree valuable gifts given to Jesus by the wise men. Gold (a gift for a King), frankincense (something burned to God), myrrh (something used for burials). Symbolized that the baby Jesus is a King, prayer will saturated his life , and suffering will be His destiny upon this earth.
4. **FOUR CALLING BIRDS**—These birds represent the four gospels, Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. These four Gospels call and proclaim all people to give their life to and live for the only True Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.
5. **FIVE GOLDEN RINGS**...These represent something very valuable they symbolize the first five books in the Old Testament. (Also known as the Torah (Law). Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy.
6. **SIX GEESE A-LAYING**...Eggs represent something new is about to come t o life. These remind us of the six days that God used for a new creation.
7. **SEVEN SWANS A-SWIMMING**...Beautiful swans come from ugly ducklings.

These swans represent the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit that helps us to grow and mature into Beautiful Christians. Romans 12:6-8 6: Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith;

7: Or ministry, let us wait on our ministering: or he that teacheth, on teaching;

8: Or he that exhorteth, on exhortation: he that giveth, let him do it with simplicity; he that ruleth, with diligence; he that sheweth mercy, with cheerfulness.

8. **EIGHT MAIDS A-MILKING**...Milk nourishes a child and helps them to strengthen and grow. These symbolize the eight teaching of Jesus in the beatitudes (Blessed are the poor in spirit, those who mourn, the meek, who hunger and thirst for righteousness are merciful, pure in heart, the peacemakers, those who are persecuted because of Jesus.
9. **NINE LADIES DANCING**...The nine ladies are dancing for joy due to the joyful life they are living. These symbolize the nine fruits of the Spirit, Love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentlemen and temperance. The fruit of the spirit will produce joy in our life if they are a reality to our soul.
10. **TEN LORDS A-LEAPING**...Lords were men with authority to rule over people and command obedience. These Lords represent the ten commandments of God that still are the absolute truth.
11. **ELEVEN PIPERS PIPING**...Pipers call Children to joyfully follow them. These stand for the eleven faithful disciples who were chosen and remained faithful To Jesus Christ (Judas not included) And they called us to follow their tune and joyfully follow the Lord Jesus.
12. **TWELVE DRUMMERS DRUMMING**... Drummers beat out loud and steady rhythm mor marchers to follow. This represents the twelve vital beliefs stated in the APOSTLE's creed for us to follow. Notice Jesus is the only way, not Buddha, (Buddhism) Mohammed (Islam) Karma, (new age)Mormonism, Jehovah witness, etc.

THE APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and Earth,

I believe in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord

Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary

He suffered un Pontius Pilot, was crucified, died and was buried.

He descended into Hell, the third day He rose from the dead.

He shall return to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian church.

The communion of the saints, the forgiveness of sins.

The resurrection of the body, and life everlasting,

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RESPONDING TO GOD

NAMES GOD'S ACTION MAN'S ACTION

"Jehovah is Reknowned"

ZECHARIAS
Luke 1:11-20

Promised a Son

Doubted

"Great form of Mary"

MARY
Luke ~~1:26~~ 38

Promised a Son

Doubted

"May he Increase"

JOSEPH
~~Luke 2:8-18~~
Matt. 1:20-24

Told Joseph Marry Mary

He Obeyed

SHEPHERDS
Luke 2:8-15

Told Shepherds of Christ's Manger
Went to ~~Egypt~~ to Bethlehem
to find Him

"hearing"
SIMEON
Luke 2:25-32

Promised Simeon He would see the Christ
Before he would die

Went to the Temple
to see Christ

"Grace"
ANNA
Luke 2:36-38

In His Providence, brought Anna to
the Temple that day

Gave thanks to God
for Redemption in Jerusalem

WISEMEN
Matt. 2:1-12
Num. 24:17

Placed a star in the sky

Followed the star to
Jerusalem

Jn:10:27: My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me:

- ① Does Scripture say Mary rode in to Bethlehem on a donkey?
- ② Why did the angels appear to the shepherds first?
- ③ Why did God allow the wise men to bring the gifts they did give to the Lord?
- ④ How long did it take for the shepherds to find the Messiah?
- ⑤ How many wise men were there?

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I AM's of Christ

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The Messiah
The Bread of Life
From Above
The Eternal One
The Light of the World
The Door
The Good Shepherd
The Son of God
The Resurrection & Life
The Lord and Master
The Way
The Truth
The True Vine
Alpha and Omega
First and Last

a Jew
a Baker
an Astronomer
a Mathematician
an Electrician
a Carpenter
a Farmer
a Religious Person
a Grave digger
a Foreman of a job
a Map Maker (Cartographer)
a Philosopher
a Vineyard Owner
a NASCAR driver
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in the class!

Congratulations

THINGS THAT JESUS DID

We must always remember that He did many more things than those told of Him.

For instance in the Gospel according to John we read, "Jesus wept." Nowhere do we read, "Jesus smiled." Yet can you imagine Him surrounded by little children and not smiling at them? He, who was always talking about joy? Of course he smiled. As other things.

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Mrs. D

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Teacher

1. Did Jesus ever earn His living by manual labor?

2. Did Jesus ever read aloud?

3. Jesus was, as one of our hymns says, a "friend of little children," when parents brought their children to Him, what did he do?

Took them in His arms and blessed them

4. Was Jesus ever sick?

Not mentioned in Scripture that He was or wasn't.

5. Jesus was once asked if it was lawful to pay tribute to Caesar. Did He Himself ever pay taxes?

Yes.

6. Did Jesus ever write anything?

Yes. In the sand when the adulteress was brought to Him.

7. Did Jesus ever warn people of dangers and evils that lay ahead?

Yes.

8. Did Jesus ever sing?

Yes.

9. Did Jesus ever prepare a meal?

Yes. John 21.

10. Jesus of course did countless things that we cannot do.

Yet Peter once condensed His life into four words that offer a not impossible program for every one of us. What did Peter say? *Went about doing good*

THINGS JESUS SAID: RECORDED BY MATTHEW

Since these were words spoken by Jesus, they are among the most famous words ever spoken by any one. Can you complete the quotations?

1. "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But ..." *Lay up treasures in heaven where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt nor thief break through and steal.*

2. "Judge not..." *that ye be not judged.* Matthew 7:1

3. "Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes..." *of thorns or figs of thistles.*

4. "But when thou doest alms, ..." (That is, when you do any good things) "let not thy left hand..." *know what thy right hand doeth.*

5. "And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ..." *ye have done it unto Me.*

6. Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day..." *is the evil thereof.*

7. But go ye and learn what that meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice: for I am not come to call the righteous,..." *but sinners to repentance.*

8. "For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world,..." *and lose his own soul?*
or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul.

9. "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but..." *my words shall never pass away*

10. "Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do...."
Clem for this is the law and the prophets.

THINGS JESUS SAID: RECORDED BY MARK

One of the things Mark tells us about Jesus' teaching is (Mark 12:27) that "the common people heard Him gladly." Can you continue the following quotations?

Give the "sense": it is not always necessary to give the exact wording.

1. And he said unto them, The sabbath was made for man, and ..." *not man for the sabbath*

2. "And if a house be divided against itself, ..." *it shall not stand.*

3. "But Jesus said unto them, A prophet is not without honour, but...." *in his own country,*
and among his kin, and his own house.

4. "And when he had called the people unto him with his disciples also, he said unto them,
Whosoever will come after me, let him..." *deny himself take up his cross and*
follow me.

5. "And he sat down, and called the twelve, and saith unto them, If any man desire to be first,..."
the same shall be last in the kingdom of Heaven.

6. "But when Jesus saw it, he was much displeased, and said unto them, Suffer the little children
to come unto me, and forbid them not: for..." *of such is the kingdom of Heaven.*

7. "For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but...." *to minister and to give*
His life a ransom for many.

8. "For ye have the poor with you always, and whosoever ye will ye may do them good: but...." *The*
ye have not with you always.

9. "Watch ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation. The spirit truly is ready, but..." *the flesh is*
weak.

10. "And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world,..." *and preach the gospel to every*
creature baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and
of the Holy Ghost.

THINGS JESUS SAID: RECORDED BY LUKE

Continue, if you can, the quotations.

1. "And Jesus answered him, saying, It is written, That man shall not live by bread alone,..."

but by every word that proceedeth out of
the mouth of God.

2. "And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye,..." *but perceived not the beam that is in thine own eye.* ^{Command}
3. "And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and..." *do not the things I tell you.*
4. "Take heed therefore how ye hear: for whosoever hath, to him shall be given; and whosoever hath not,..." *shall be taken even what which he seemeth to have.*
5. "For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: but whosoever..." *shall lose his life for my sake shall find it.*
6. "And Jesus said unto him, No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, ..." *is fit for the kingdom of Heaven.*
7. "Therefore said he unto them, The harvest truly is great, but..." *the labourers are few.* *pray ye the Lord of the harvest that he will send labourers into his field.*
8. "And he said unto them, Take heed, and beware of covetousness: for a man's life..." *consisteth not in the things he owns.*
9. "Consider the lilies how they grow: they toil not, they spin not; and yet I say unto you,..." *that Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of the field.*
10. "In the Gospel according to Luke Jesus mentions by name at least a dozen Old Testament characters. Can you name four of them? *Moses, Lot, Noah, Jonah, Jacob, Isaac, Abraham, Solomon, David, Elisha, Elijah, Naaman*
- ~~good to~~ ~~name them all~~ **THINGS JESUS SAID: RECORDED BY JOHN**
- Continue, if you can, the quotations.

- Name them all John 3:17*
1. "For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world;..." *but that the world through Him might be saved.*
2. "God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must...." *worship Him in spirit and in truth.*
3. "Jesus saith unto them, My meat is to do the...." *will of Him that sent Me.*
4. "So when they continued asking him, he lifted up himself, and said unto them, He that is without sin among you, let...." *cast the first stone.*
5. "I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the...." *night cometh when no man can work.*
6. "Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life:..." *he that believeth in Me though he were dead yet shall he live and he shall never die.*
7. "A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that...." *the love of the Father might be in you.*
8. "Greater love hath no man than this, that...." *John 15:13 then a man lay down his life for his friends.*
9. "Ye are my friends, if..." *ye do whatsoever I command you*
10. "And this is life eternal, that ..." *ye believe in the only true God and Jesus Christ who died to save.*

Happy New Year 2004



1 COR. 13:8 LOVE NEVER FAILS

New Year's Prayer -

The Gate of the Year

I said to the One who stood at the Gate of the New Year

"Give me a light that I may tread safely
Into the unknown." And he replied:

"Go out into the darkness and put your hand
Into the hand of God.

That shall be to you, better than light
And safer than a known way."

So I went forth, and found the hand of God and trod gladly into the
night,

Then He lead me toward the hills and the breaking of the day.

May your hand be held by JESUS each day of this year so that you
know that you are not on your own. And when you hold the hand of
another may it be a source of strength for both of you.

Ps:65:11: Thou crownest the year with thy goodness; and thy
paths drop fatness.

Tamar: Genesis 38:6-30

Tamar was the daughter-in-law of Judah. She was a childless widow, who was given to her brother-in-law after her husband's death. By this marriage, her offspring would continue the name and inheritance of the deceased. Such a union was later called a Leverite marriage (Deut 25:5-6).

Unfortunately, Tamar's brother-in-law refused to have proper intercourse with her. God killed him for this. Afterwards, Judah would not give Tamar to any of his other sons. So Tamar disguised herself as a harlot and seduced Judah. Through him, she became the mother of Perez.

Rahab: Joshua 2:1-24

Rahab was a harlot who lived in Jericho. She hid the spies of Joshua. Because of this, the Israelites spared her life when they conquered Jericho. She later became the wife of Salmon, and the mother of Boaz. Rahab's faith was later commended (Heb 11:30-31).

Ruth: Ruth 1:1-4:22

Ruth was a foreigner from the land of Moab. She was the widow of a Jew. Her mother-in-law, Naomi, also lived in Moab. Naomi journeyed to Israel after her family died. Ruth's devotion was extraordinary. She left her own country to follow Naomi. While in Israel, Ruth was married to Boaz, one of Naomi's relatives. Ruth later became the mother of Obed, the grandfather of David the King.

Bathsheba: 2 Samuel 11:1-27

Bathsheba was the wife of Uriah the Hittite, who was a soldier in the army of King David. She and David had an adulterous affair.

When David discovered Bathsheba was pregnant, he tried to cover it up by summoning Uriah home from war, hoping that Uriah would have intercourse with his wife. Uriah came home to Jerusalem, but refused to lay with Bathsheba as long as the armies of Israel were at war.

So, David sent Uriah back into battle, with orders that Uriah should be withdrawn from when the fighting became fierce. After Uriah was slain in this manner, David took Bathsheba as his own wife. God punished them for this by killing their first child.

Bathsheba later became the mother of Solomon.

Mary: Matthew 1:18-25, Luke 1:26-56

Mary was the mother of Jesus and the wife of Joseph. She was a virgin when Jesus was conceived by the Holy Spirit.

Joseph was betrothed to Mary when he discovered she was pregnant. He intended to put her away secretly because this was shameful. However, an angel told Joseph what had happened. So Joseph took Mary as his wife, and kept her as a virgin until she gave birth to Jesus.

During her pregnancy, Mary spent time with her relative Elizabeth, who was the mother of John the Baptist (Luke 1:39-56). Mary was not a perpetual virgin, as she later became the mother of other sons and daughters (Matthew 13:55-56). Mary was a widow at the time of Jesus' death. While on the cross, Jesus committed her to the care of John, his apostle (John 19:25-27).

Topic: Jehoi'achin

succeeded his father Jehoiakin (B.C. 599) when only eight years of age, and reigned for one hundred days (2 Chr. 36:9). He is also called Jeconiah (Jer. 24:1; 27:20, etc.), and Coniah (22: 24; 37:1). He was succeeded by his uncle, Mattaniah = Zedekiah (q.v.). He was the last direct heir to the Jewish crown.

He was carried captive to Babylon by Nebuchadnezzar, along with the flower of the nobility, all the leading men in Jerusalem, and a great body of the general population, some thirteen thousand in all (2 Kings 24: 12-16; Jer. 52:28). After an imprisonment of thirty-seven years (Jer. 52:31, 33), he was liberated by Evil-merodach, and permitted to occupy a place in the king's household and sit at his table, receiving "every day a portion until the day of his death, all the days of his life" (52:32-34).

**Two Genealogies of Jesus
Found in Matthew 1:1-17
Luke 3:23-38**

The birth and death of Jesus Christ has attracted the gaze of the whole world. Every Christmas the world looks back tow thousand years to a manger In a small town of Bethlehem and gives recognize that the greatest personage in all the earth was born one glorious night. Yes even heaven declared the glory of God by sending angelic beings to proclaim an event that would change man's history and destiny forever.

Lk:2:10: And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

13: And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

14: Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.
Sing them over again to me wonderful words of life!

1. Who is this Jesus who is called the Christ?

He is indeed the God-man, the Creator of this universe,
the judge of all the world, the Messiah, and who is the promised Messiah.

Col. 1:16 For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:

17: And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.

He is either the biggest fraud and perjurer that this world has ever known or He is the Greatest personage of all History. I am inclined to go along with this last statement. He is God Himself and does not need anyone or anything to prove His Omnipotent power, Omniscient knowledge or Omnipresence everywhere. Must crown him Lord of all today in our hearts and King of Kings.

1John 3:5 And ye know that he was manifested to take away our sins; and in him is no sin.
Heb:2:16: For verily he took not on him the nature of angels; but he took on him the seed of Abraham.

2. Why did Christ come to earth in a human body? Incarnation

Jesus came to tell forth God. Thank You God for this great eternal plan you stepped out of the Holy scrip and step into our heart with those wounded feet and set up a kingdom which can not be moved. He was and is the expressed Image of God's love. Prior to the Incarnation, Men were basically afraid of Jehovah-God. Notice when God spoke to Moses in the mount there was fearful lightening and thundering and all where filled with great fear. Al the people realized that no man could see God and live. Christ came and dwelt among men to pave a highway with His holy Blood for all who would receive and believe His message of Hope.

9: Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? he that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Shew us

the Father?

10: Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.

11: Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works' sake.

12: Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.

Illustration: A prince wanted to go among his subjects and see what they needed. He knew that if He went in his princely robes, they would fear Him, so he dressed as they did. He spoke their language and instead of fearing Him , as a King and ruler, they loved Him as a friend. What a friend we have in Jesus. One day he returned to His palace and putting His royal robes back on His spotless body , He executed the judgment and authority which were His.

Matt. 28:18 : And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

3. How do we account for these two genealogies of our Lord, and Saviour?

Matthew 1:1-17

We have a record of two genealogies, one in Matthew and one in Luke. We find the names given are the same from Abraham to David but from David to Christ, they are different. At first you may say, I am not interested in a long list of names but if your name was that list, you would suddenly become interested in it. .

Now there are things of great interest in genealogies, specially in the genealogy of Jesus Christ. God planned these two genealogies of Jesus and it was no accident that Matthew and Luke wrote them. They are not dry and they are not contradictory. They are vital to the record that God gave of his Son.

In Luke the third chapter, we see Jesus' genealogy traced through his mother, Mary. She was the daughter Heili, through Nathan the Son of David. The line goes back to Adam, This was the Genealogy of one that was promised to Adam Gen. 3:15, "Seed of the Woman" This is the redeemer who was to go to the throne of David.

In Matthew , chapter one, the line is traced through Joseph," the supposed father of Jesus" He was the legal father , through Solomon, the son of David. This record goes back to Abraham. It is the legal genealogy that gives Jesus the right to the throne of David.

In Luke " Christ is presented a s the "seed of the woman" Gal. 4:4

In Matthew Christ is presented as the Son of David.

Jesus was the son of man but not the son of Joseph. " as was supposed" he could neither be King or Savior.

Sea of Galilee

Since the beginning of time, the Sea of Galilee has provided its fishermen with a plentiful source of sustenance. Some of the apostles were fishermen: "As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will make you fishers of men."

At once they left their nets and followed him. Going on from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John. They were in a boat with their father Zebedee, preparing their nets. Jesus called them, and immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him" [Matthew 4:18-22]. The most famous fish of the 23 family varieties found in the Galilee is now commonly named for Simon Peter — "the St. Peter's fish." The fish is actually the "telapia" a so called "mouth breeder." This fish protects its young by scooping them into her mouth in times of peril. Some have suggested that this fish may have been the type that scooped the shekel tax in the story of the fish with the coin. (Mt.17:24 -27)

Biblical figures lived and worked on the shores of the Sea of Galilee. Two millennia ago Jesus lived, sojourned, and preached on the shores of the Sea of Galilee and in its neighboring towns, making Capernaum the center of his ministry. Mary Magdalene was from Migdal, and three disciples were born in Bethsaida. One city survives today, the city of Tiberias was built during Jesus' lifetime, to honor the Roman Caesar Tiberius.

Shaped like a harp, some eight miles across (E-W) and 13 miles (N-S), the Sea of Galilee (in Hebrew Kinneret) is the most important body of fresh water in the land of Israel. The Kinneret provides the modern State with nearly one third of its water needs. It is Israel's only sweet-water lake, and averages over 180-200 day at center. There are 23 family varieties of fish in the Sea.

Seen from almost any vantage point the Sea of Galilee is a delight. Sometimes it shimmers in the sunlight, giving the waters a beautiful glow. At others it waxes cloudy — enigmatic and mysterious. The sight of the Sea of Galilee by ancients who crossed parched deserts in the region must have moved the onlooker to tears.

LIFE OF CHRIST
CIRCUMCISION
Genesis 17:12 (1450B. C.)

And he that is eight days old shall be circumcised among you, every man child in your generations, he that is born in the house, or bought with money of any stranger, which is not of thy seed

a. *Of all the examples of scripture considered thus far, this has been one of the more remarkable verses. In this scripture, God tells Abraham that the eighth day is when circumcision is to be performed. This Is an amazing statement especially when one considers the following:*

1. *Medical doctors have found during the last half century that circumcision is valuable health practice. It reduces the occurrence of penile cancer in males and cancer of the cervix in their wives. Medical science has confirmed, after 4000 years of study, that the best method of preventing these two forms of cancer is circumcision.*

2. *Medical Science has recently discovered that the newborn infant is susceptible to bleeding between the second and fifth day of life. Extensive hemorrhaging could occur at this time and could cause damage to the brain and internal organs or even death.*

3. *The Ability to clot the blood is dependent on a variety of chemical factors present in the blood. Let us consider two of these factors, Vitamin K and Prothrombin.*

a. *Vitamin K is manufactured in the human intestinal tract by bacteria. In the newborn infant, this does not take place until the fifth to the seventh day when the bacterium begins to develop in sufficient numbers. Therefore, the first day that one knows for sure that it is safe to perform circumcision is the eighth day. Who knew about bacteria and their ability to make Vitamin K at this time?*

b. *Pro thrombin is another important element necessary for the proper clotting of the blood. It has been shown that in the blood stream of the newborn infant the amount f prothrombin is less than normal. The concentration of prothrombin is below normal and then skyrockets to a level of 10% above normal on the eighth day. It then levels off to normal values after the eighth day.*

c. *In light of the above scientific facts the best day to perform a circumcision is the eighth day just as described in this passage of scripture. Certainly this is evidence to be considered for Biblical inerrancy.*

Messianic Prophecies Fulfilled by Jesus Christ

"What is a prophecy?"

A prophecy is the future told in advance by God through a prophet.

Isaiah 48:2-5 [3] I foretold the former things long ago, my mouth announced them and I made them known; then suddenly I acted, and they came to pass. [4] For I knew how stubborn you were; the sinews of your neck were iron, your forehead was bronze. [5] Therefore I told you these things long ago; before they happened I announced them to you so that you could not say, 'My idols did them; my wooden image and metal god ordained them.'

"Isn't 'fulfilled prophecy' just a guess or luck or coincidence?"

2 Peter 1:19-21 [19] And we have the word of the prophets made more certain, and you will do well to pay attention to it, as to a light shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. [20] Above all, you must understand that no prophecy of Scripture came about by the prophet's own interpretation. [21] For prophecy never had its origin in the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

"Does the Old Testament contain any prophecies about the Messiah?"

Yes! The Old Testament contains about FOUR HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIVE prophecies about the Messiah. Here is a small sample (in roughly chronological order):

GOD WOULD COME TO EARTH

BE BORN AS A HUMAN MALE

Isaiah 9:6-7 [6] 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 Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. [7] Of the increase of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. ... 700 B.C.

Mark 1:1 The beginning of the gospel about Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

John 1:1-3, 14 [1] In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. [2] He was with God in the beginning. [3] Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. [14] The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

BORN OF A VIRGIN

Isaiah 7:14 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. 700 B.C.

Matthew 1:20-23 [20] But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. [21] She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." [22] All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: [23] "The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel" --which means, "God with us."

FROM THE HOUSE OF JUDAH

Isaiah 37:31 Once more a remnant of the house of Judah will take root below and bear fruit above. 700 B.C.

Matthew 1:1-2, 16 [1] A record of the genealogy of Jesus Christ the son [descendant] of David, the son of Abraham: [2] Abraham was the father of Isaac, Isaac the father of Jacob, Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers, [16] and [a later] Jacob the father of Joseph, the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus, who is called Christ.

FROM THE ROOT AND STUMP OF JESSE

Isaiah 11:10 In that day the Root of Jesse will stand as a banner for the peoples; the nations will rally to him, and his place of rest will be glorious. 700 B.C.

Isaiah 11:1-5 [1] A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse; from his roots a Branch will bear fruit. [2] The Spirit of the LORD will rest on him-- the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding, the Spirit of counsel and of power, the Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD-- [3] and he will delight in the fear of the LORD. He will not judge by what he sees with his eyes, or decide by what he hears with his ears; [4] but with righteousness he will judge the needy, with justice he will give decisions for the poor of the earth. He will strike the earth with the rod of his mouth; with the breath of his lips he will slay the wicked. [5] Righteousness will be his belt and faithfulness the sash around his waist. 700 B.C.

Romans 15:12 And again, Isaiah says, "The Root of Jesse will spring up, one who will arise to rule over the nations; the Gentiles will hope in him."

Matthew 1:1-2a, 5-6, 16 [1] A record of the genealogy of Jesus Christ the son of David, the son of Abraham: [2] Abraham was the father of Isaac, ... [5] ... Obed the father of Jesse, [6] and Jesse the father of King David. [16] and Jacob the father of Joseph, the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus, who is called Christ.

FROM THE HOUSE OF DAVID

Isaiah 16:5 In love a throne will be established; in faithfulness a man will sit on it--one from the house of David--one who in judging seeks justice and speeds the cause of righteousness. 700 B.C.

Matthew 1:1-2A, 6, 16 [1] A record of the genealogy of Jesus Christ the son of David, the son of Abraham: [2] Abraham was the father of Isaac, ... [6] and Jesse the father of King David. [16] and Jacob the father of Joseph, the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus, who is called Christ.

BORN IN BETHLEHEM EPHRATHAH

Micah 5:2 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. 700 B.C.

Matthew 2:1 After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem

Over the years there have been a number of "Bethlehems" in Israel. At the time of Jesus' birth, Bethlehem Ephrathah, referred to in Matthew as "Bethlehem in Judea", was a village about five miles south of Jerusalem, and there also was a town named Bethlehem about seven miles northwest of Nazareth. (Per footnote Matthew 2:1 of the Zondervan NIV Study Bible, 10th Anniversary Edition, (c) 1995)

BE FROM NAZARETH OF GALILEE

Isaiah 9:1-2 [1] Nevertheless, there will be no more gloom for those who were in distress. In the past he humbled the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the future he will honor Galilee of the Gentiles, by the way of the sea, along the Jordan -- [2] 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. 700 B.C.

Matthew 2:22-23 [22] But when he heard that Archelaus was reigning in Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. Having been warned in a dream, he withdrew to the district of Galilee, [23] and he went and lived in a town called Nazareth. So was fulfilled what was said through the prophets: "He will be called a Nazarene."

Matthew 4:13-16 [13] Leaving Nazareth, he [Jesus] went and lived in Capernaum, which was by the lake in the area of Zebulun and Naphtali-- [14] to fulfill what was said through the prophet Isaiah: [15] "Land of Zebulun and land of Naphtali, the way to the sea, along the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles -- [16] the people living in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has dawned."

HIS BIRTH WOULD TRIGGER A MASSACRE OF INFANT BOYS

Jeremiah 31:15 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." 625 B.C.

Matthew 2:16-18 [16] When Herod realized that he had been outwitted by the Magi, he was furious, and he gave orders to kill all the boys in Bethlehem and its vicinity who were two years old and under, in accordance with the time he had learned from the Magi. [17] Then what was said through the prophet Jeremiah was fulfilled: [18] "A voice is heard in Ramah, weeping and great mourning, Rachel weeping for her children and refusing to be comforted, because they are no more."

An interesting side note: most people think that Herod killed thousands of babies. However, Bethlehem was "in the boondocks." The chances are that less than thirty babies were killed.

COME OUT OF EGYPT

Hosea 11:1 When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son. 725 B.C.

Matthew 2:14-15 [14] So he got up, took the child and his mother during the night and left for Egypt, [15] 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."

MISSION WOULD INCLUDE THE GENTILES

Isaiah 49:6 he [the Lord] says: "It is too small a thing for you to be my servant to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back those of Israel I have kept. I will also make you a light for the Gentiles, that you may bring my salvation to the ends of the earth." 700 B.C.

Isaiah 42:1-4, 6 [1] "Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen one in whom I delight; I will put my Spirit on him and he will bring justice to the nations. [2] He will not shout or cry out, or raise his voice in the streets. [3] A bruised reed he will not break, and a smoldering wick he will not snuff out. In faithfulness he will bring forth justice; [4] he will not falter or be discouraged till he establishes justice on earth. In his law the islands will put their hope." [6] "I, the LORD, have called you in righteousness; I will take hold of your hand. I will keep you and will make you to be a covenant for the people and a light for the Gentiles, 700 B.C.

Matthew 12:14-21 [14] But the Pharisees went out and plotted how they might kill Jesus. [15] Aware of this, Jesus withdrew from that place. Many followed him, and he healed all their sick, [16] warning them not to tell who he was. [17] This was to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet Isaiah: [18] "Here is my servant whom I have chosen, the one I love, in whom I delight; I will put my Spirit on him, and he will proclaim justice to the nations. [19] He will not quarrel or cry out; no one will hear his voice in the streets. [20] A bruised reed he will not break, and a smoldering wick he will not snuff out, till he leads justice to victory. [21] In his name the nations will put their hope."

Note that in Biblical usage the Gentiles are often referred to as "the nations."

MINISTRY WOULD INCLUDE MIRACULOUS HEALINGS

Isaiah 29:18 In that day the deaf will hear the words of the scroll, and out of gloom and darkness the eyes of the blind will see. 700 B.C.

Isaiah 35:5-6a [5] Then will the eyes of the blind be opened and the ears of the deaf unstopped. [6a] Then will the lame leap like a deer, and the mute tongue shout for joy. 700 B.C.

Luke 7:20-22 [20] When the men came to Jesus, they said, "John the Baptist sent us to you to ask, 'Are you the one who was to come, or should we expect someone else?'" [21] At that very time Jesus cured many who had diseases, sicknesses and evil spirits, and gave sight to many who were blind. [22] So he replied to the messengers, "Go back and report to John what you have seen and heard: The blind receive sight, the lame walk, those who have leprosy are cured, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the good news is preached to the poor."

MINISTRY WOULD DELIVER SPIRITUAL CAPTIVES

Isaiah 61:1-2 [1] 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 brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners, [2] to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all who mourn, 700 B.C.

Luke 4:16-21 [16] He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. And he stood up to read. [17] The scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written: [18] "The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed, [19] to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." [20] Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him, [21] and he began by saying to them, "Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing."

Not too shabby, considering it was His first sermon!

DESPISED AND REJECTED BY MEN

Isaiah 53:3 He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows, and familiar with suffering. Like one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not. 700 B.C.

The Crucifixion narratives in all four Gospels show this prophecy fulfilled.

HATED WITHOUT CAUSE

Psalm 69:4 Those who hate me without reason outnumber the hairs of my head; many are my enemies without cause, those who seek to destroy me. I am forced to restore what I did not steal. 1000 B.C.

Isaiah 49:7 This is what the LORD says-- the Redeemer and Holy One of Israel-- to him who was despised and abhorred by the nation, to the servant of rulers: "Kings will see you and rise up, princes will see and bow down, because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you." 700 B.C.

John 7:48-49 "Has any of the rulers or of the Pharisees believed in him? [49] No! But this mob that knows nothing of the law--there is a curse on them."

John 15:24-25 [24] If I had not done among them what no one else did, they would not be guilty of sin. But now they have seen these miracles, and yet they have hated both me and my Father. [25] But this is to fulfill what is written in their Law: 'They hated me without reason.'

REJECTED BY RULERS

Psalm 118:22 The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone [cornerstone of a building]; [23] the LORD has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes. before 400 B.C.

Matthew 21:42 Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures: " 'The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone; the Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes' ?

John 7:48-49 Has any of the rulers or of the Pharisees believed in him? [49] No! But this mob that knows nothing of the law--there is a curse on them.

REJECTED BY HIS OWN BROTHERS

Psalms 69:8 I am a stranger to my brothers, an alien to my own mother's sons 1000 B.C.

(Side note: this pretty much kills the Catholic Church's claim that when the Gospels name Jesus' brothers they are talking about His cousins.)

Mark 3:20-21 [20] Then Jesus entered a house, and again a crowd gathered, so that he and his disciples were not even able to eat. [21] When his family heard about this, they went to take charge of him, for they said, "He is out of his mind."

John 7:1-5 [1] After this, Jesus went around in Galilee, purposely staying away from Judea because the Jews there were waiting to take his life. [2] But when the Jewish Feast of Tabernacles was near, [3] Jesus' brothers said to him, "You ought to leave here and go to Judea, so that your disciples may see the miracles you do. [4] No one who wants to become a public figure acts in secret. Since you are doing these things, show yourself to the world." [5] For even his own brothers did not believe in him.

BETRAYED FOR 30 PIECES OF SILVER

Zechariah 11:12 I told them, "If you think it best, give me my pay; but if not, keep it." So they paid me thirty pieces of silver. 500 B.C.

Matthew 26:14-15 [14] Then one of the Twelve--the one called Judas Iscariot--went to the chief priests [15] and asked, "What are you willing to give me if I hand him over to you?" So they counted out for him thirty silver coins.

SILVER RETURNED

SILVER USED TO BUY POTTER'S FIELD

Zechariah 11:12-13 [12] I told them, "If you think it best, give me my pay; but if not, keep it." So they paid me thirty pieces of silver. [13] And the LORD said to me, "Throw it to the potter"--the handsome price at which they priced me! So I took the thirty pieces of silver and threw them into the house of the LORD to the potter. 500 B.C.

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Matthew 27:3-10 [3] When Judas, who had betrayed him, saw that Jesus was condemned, he was seized with remorse and returned the thirty silver coins to the chief priests and the elders. [4] "I have sinned," he said, "for I have betrayed innocent blood." "What is that to us?" they replied. "That's your responsibility." [5] So Judas threw the money into the temple and left. Then he went away and hanged himself. [6] The chief priests picked up the coins and said, "It is against the law to put this into the treasury, since it is blood money." [7] So they decided to use the money to buy the potter's field as a burial place for foreigners. [8] That is why it has been called the Field of Blood to this day. [9] Then what was spoken by Jeremiah the prophet was fulfilled: "They took the thirty silver coins, the price set on him by the people of Israel, [10] and they used them to buy the potter's field, as the Lord commanded me."

DISCIPLES WOULD SCATTER

Zechariah 13:7 "Awake, O sword, against my shepherd, against the man who is close to me!" declares the LORD Almighty. "Strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered, and I will turn my hand against the little ones." 500 B.C.

Matthew 26:31 Then Jesus told them, "This very night you will all fall away on account of me,

for it is written: " 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.'"

More Messianic Prophecies Fulfilled by Jesus Christ

BACK TO MESSIANIC PROPHECIES

BEATEN WITH A ROD

Micah 5:1 Marshal your troops, O city of troops, for a siege is laid against us. They will strike Israel's ruler on the cheek with a rod. 700 B.C.

Mark 15:19 Again and again they struck him on the head with a staff and spit on him. Falling on their knees, they paid homage to him.

GIVEN VINEGAR AND GALL TO DRINK

Psalm 69:21 They put gall in my food and gave me vinegar for my thirst. 1000 B.C.

Matthew 27:34 There they offered Jesus wine to drink, mixed with gall; but after tasting it, he refused to drink it.

Matthew 27:48 Immediately one of them ran and got a sponge. He filled it with wine vinegar, put it on a stick, and offered it to Jesus to drink.

HANDS AND FEET NAILED

Psalm 22:16 Dogs have surrounded me; a band of evil men has encircled me, they have pierced my hands and my feet. 1000 B.C.

John 20:25 So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!" But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe it."

CRUSHED FOR OUR INIQUITIES

Isaiah 53:5-6 [5] But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed. [6] We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. 700 B.C.

Romans 4: 25 He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification.

1 Corinthians 15:3 (NAB*) I handed on to you first of all what I myself received, that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures

*NAB=New American Bible (not NASB=New American **Standard** Bible)

SUFFERED FOR THE SINS OF OTHERS

Psalm 69:4 Those who hate me without reason outnumber the hairs of my head; many are my enemies without cause, those who seek to destroy me. *I am forced to restore what I did not steal.* 1000 B.C.

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Romans 4: 25 He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification.

1 Corinthians 15:3 (NAB) I handed on to you first of all what I myself received, that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures

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John 19:33-34; 36-37 [33] But when they came to Jesus and found that he was already dead, they did not break his legs. [34] Instead, one of the soldiers pierced Jesus' side with a spear, bringing a sudden flow of blood and water. [36] *These things happened so that the scripture would be fulfilled:* "Not one of his bones will be broken," [37] and, as another scripture says, "They will look on the one they have pierced."

NO BONES BROKEN

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Matthew 27:35 When they had crucified him, they divided up his clothes by casting lots.

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See all four Gospels.

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BURIED IN A RICH MAN'S TOMB

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Matthew 27:57,59-60 [57] As evening approached, *there came a rich man* from Arimathea, named Joseph, who had himself become a disciple of Jesus. [59] Joseph took the body, wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, [60] and *placed it in his own new tomb* that he had cut out of the rock. He rolled a big stone in front of the entrance to the tomb and went away.

THE MESSIAH WOULD RETURN FROM THE DEAD

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Matthew 28:2, 5-7, 9 [2] There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. [5] The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. [6] He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. [7] Then go quickly and tell his disciples: '*He has risen from the dead* and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him.' Now I have told you." [9] Suddenly Jesus met them. "Greetings," he said. They came to him, clasped his feet and worshiped him.

FAMILIAR WITH SUFFERING

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The Crucifixion of Jesus was not an anomaly in how people treated Him:

- He was "run out of town" at several places.

Mark 5:14-17 [14] Those tending the pigs ran off and reported this in the town and countryside, and the people went out to see what had happened. [15] When they came to Jesus, they saw the man who had been possessed by the legion of demons, sitting there, dressed and in his right mind; and they were afraid. [16] Those who had seen it told the people what had happened to the demon- possessed man--and told about the pigs as well. [17] Then the people began to plead with Jesus to leave their region.

- People tried to stone Him.

John 10:31-33 [31] *Again* the Jews picked up stones to stone him, [32] but Jesus said to them, "I have shown you many great miracles from the Father. For which of these do you stone me?" [33] "We are not stoning you for any of these," replied the Jews, "but for blasphemy, because you, a mere man, claim to be God."

- Some Jewish leaders conspired to kill Him.

John 7:1 After this, Jesus went around in Galilee, purposely staying away from Judea because the Jews there were waiting to take his life.

Matthew 12:14 But the Pharisees went out and plotted how they might kill Jesus.

- His own family thought He was crazy.

Mark 3:20-21 [20] Then Jesus entered a house, and again a crowd gathered, so that he and his disciples were not even able to eat. [21] When his family heard about this, they went to take charge of him, for they said, "He is out of his mind."

- His brothers told Him to go to a festival, expecting He would be killed.

John 7:1-3, 5 [1] After this, *Jesus* went around in Galilee, *purposely staying away from Judea because the Jews there were waiting to take his life.* [2] But when the Jewish Feast of Tabernacles was near, [3] *Jesus' brothers said to him, "You ought to leave here and go to Judea,* so that your disciples may see the miracles you do." [5] For even his own brothers did not believe in him.

- His disciples abandoned Him.
- He was crucified.

"You are taking a bunch of things out of context -- two sentences here, half a sentence there ..."

It is true that taking a few sentences here and part of a sentence there would not prove anything. But there are OVER FOUR HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIVE references that are considered Messianic prophesies. *Taken as a group* it becomes obvious they aren't just coincidences.

Also, some of the references, particularly **Isaiah 11** and **Isaiah 53** *clearly* are referring to the (at that time) coming Messiah.

Furthermore, in a number of instances, the New Testament authors *expressly state* "This was to fulfill the prophecy '<whatever>'."

"Aren't these really mainly self-fulfilling prophecies?"

Unless He was operating under the authority of God, how could Jesus arrange to fulfill any of the following Messianic prophecies?

- Born in Bethlehem
- Be from Nazareth
- Come out of Egypt (as a young child)
- Descended from Judah
- Descended from Jesse
- Descended from David
- No bones broken
- Betrayed by a friend
- Betrayed for exactly 30 pieces of silver
- 30 pieces of silver returned
- 30 pieces used to buy the potter's field
- *Born of a virgin*
- *Perform miracles*
- ***RESURRECTION!!!***

The Gospel of Jesus Christ

"Gospel" means "Good News"

"Gospel" means "**Good News**". A gospel presents the Good News that Jesus Christ has made salvation available to all people, not just Jews.

The Gospel According to Isaiah

700 B.C.

Isaiah 7:14 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.

Immanuel means "God with us." It is important to remember that Israelite names were **descriptive phrases**. It was not unusual for a person to have several names, e.g. (1) Saul and Paul, (2) Peter, Simon and Cephas.

Isaiah 9:6-7 [NIV] [6] For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. [New American Bible: upon his shoulder dominion rests] And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. [7] Of the increase of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the LORD Almighty will accomplish this.

Isaiah 11:2-5 [2] The Spirit of the LORD will rest on him-- the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding, the Spirit of counsel and of power, the Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD-- [3] and he will delight in the fear of the LORD. He will not judge by what he sees with his eyes, or decide by what he hears with his ears; [4] but with righteousness he will judge the needy, with justice he will give decisions for the poor of the earth. He will strike the earth with the rod of his mouth; with the breath of his lips he will slay the wicked. [5] Righteousness will be his belt and faithfulness the sash around his waist.

Isaiah 52:13 through 53:12 is called the "suffering servant" passage.

Isaiah 52:13-15 [13] See, my servant will act wisely; he will be raised and lifted up and highly exalted. [14] Just as there were many who were appalled at him -- his appearance was so disfigured beyond that of any man and his form marred beyond human likeness -- [15] so will he sprinkle many nations, and kings will shut their mouths because of him. For what they were not told, they will see, and what they have not heard, they will understand.

Isaiah 53:1-12 [1] Who has believed our message and to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? [2] He grew up before him like a tender shoot, and like a root out of dry ground. He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him. [3] He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows, and familiar with suffering. Like one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not. [4] Surely **he took up our infirmities** and carried our sorrows, yet we considered him stricken by God, smitten by him, and afflicted. [5] But **he was pierced** for our transgressions, **he was crushed** for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed. [6] We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; and **the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all**. [7] He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; **he was led like a lamb to the slaughter**, and as a sheep before her shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. [8] **By oppression and judgment he was taken away. And who can speak of his descendants? For he was cut off from the land of the living**; for the transgression of my people he was stricken. [9] **He was assigned a grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death**, though he had done no violence, nor was any deceit in his mouth. [10] Yet it was the LORD's will to crush him and cause

him to suffer, and though *the LORD makes his life a guilt offering*, he will see his offspring and prolong his days, and the will of the LORD will prosper in his hand. [11] *After the suffering of his soul, he will see the light of life* and be satisfied; by his knowledge my righteous servant will justify many, and he will bear their iniquities. [12] Therefore I will give him a portion among the great, and he will divide the spoils with the strong, because *he poured out his life unto death*, and was numbered with the transgressors. For *he bore the sin of many*, and made intercession for the transgressors.

Isaiah 61:1-2 [1] 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 brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners, [2] to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all who mourn

Friend, that is *the gospel*, just as clear and certain as **Matthew, Mark, Luke and John!**

IN CASE YOU HAVEN'T HEARD THE *GOOD NEWS* . . .

GOD HAS AN ETERNAL SON.

Proverbs 30:4 [NKJV] Who has ascended into heaven, or descended? Who has gathered the wind in His fists? Who has bound the waters in a garment? *Who has established all the ends of the earth? What is His name, and what is His Son's name*, if you know?

HIS SON CAME TO EARTH. HE WAS BORN AS A HUMAN MALE.

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HE WAS BORN OF A VIRGIN.

Isaiah 7:14 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. 700 B.C. (cf. **Matthew 1:20-23**)

HE WAS FROM THE HOUSE OF JUDAH.

Isaiah 37:31 Once more a remnant of the house of Judah will take root below and bear fruit above. 700 B.C. (cf. **Matthew 1:1-2, 16**)

HE WAS FROM THE ROOT AND STUMP OF JESSE.

Isaiah 11:10 In that day the Root of Jesse will stand as a banner for the peoples; the nations will

rally to him, and his place of rest will be glorious. 700 B.C.

Isaiah 11:1 A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse; from his roots a Branch will bear fruit. 700 B.C. (cf. Romans 15:12; Matthew 1:1-2a, 5-6, 16)

HE WAS FROM THE HOUSE OF DAVID.

Isaiah 16:5 In love a throne will be established; in faithfulness a man will sit on it--one from the house of David--one who in judging seeks justice and speeds the cause of righteousness. 700 B.C. (cf. Matthew 1:1-2A, 6, 16)

HE WAS BORN IN BETHLEHEM EPHRATHAH.

Micah 5:2 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. 700 B.C. (cf. Matthew 2:1)

HE WAS FROM NAZARETH OF GALILEE.

Isaiah 9:1-2 [1] Nevertheless, there will be no more gloom for those who were in distress. In the past he humbled the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the future he will honor Galilee of the Gentiles, by the way of the sea, along the Jordan -- [2] 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. 700 B.C. (cf. Matthew 2:22-23; 4:13-16)

HIS BIRTH TRIGGERED A MASSACRE OF INFANT BOYS.

Jeremiah 31:15 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." 625 B.C. (cf. Matthew 2:16-18)

HE CAME OUT OF EGYPT.

Hosea 11:1 When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son. 725 B.C. (cf. Matthew 2:14-15)

HE BROUGHT SALVATION TO THE GENTILES.

Isaiah 49:6 he [the Lord] says: "It is too small a thing for you to be my servant to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back those of Israel I have kept. I will also make you a light for the Gentiles, that you may bring my salvation to the ends of the earth." 700 B.C.

Isaiah 42:1-4, 6 [1] "Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen one in whom I delight; I will put my Spirit on him and he will bring justice to the nations. [2] He will not shout or cry out, or raise his voice in the streets. [3] A bruised reed he will not break, and a smoldering wick he will not snuff out. In faithfulness he will bring forth justice; [4] he will not falter or be discouraged till he establishes justice on earth. In his law the islands will put their hope." [6] "I, the LORD, have called you in righteousness; I will take hold of your hand. I will keep you and will make you to be a

covenant for the people and a light for the Gentiles, 700 B.C. (cf. Matthew 12:14-21)

Note that in Biblical usage the Gentiles are often referred to as "the nations."

HIS MINISTRY INCLUDED MIRACULOUS HEALINGS.

Isaiah 29:18 In that day the deaf will hear the words of the scroll, and out of gloom and darkness the eyes of the blind will see. 700 B.C.

Isaiah 35:5-6a [5] Then will the eyes of the blind be opened and the ears of the deaf unstopped. [6a] Then will the lame leap like a deer, and the mute tongue shout for joy. 700 B.C. (cf. Luke 7:20-22)

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HE WAS REJECTED BY RULERS.

Psalm 118:22-23 The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone [cornerstone of a building]; [23] the LORD has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes. before 400 B.C. (cf. Matthew 21:42; John 7:48-49)

HE WAS REJECTED BY HIS OWN BROTHERS.

Psalms 69:8 I am a stranger to my brothers, an alien to my own mother's sons 1000 B.C. (cf. Mark 3:20-21; John 7:1-5)

HE WAS BETRAYED FOR 30 PIECES OF SILVER.

Zechariah 11:12 I told them, "If you think it best, give me my pay; but if not, keep it." So they paid me thirty pieces of silver. **500 B.C.** (cf. **Matthew 26:14-15**)

THE SILVER WAS RETURNED. THEN IT WAS USED TO BUY POTTER'S FIELD.

Zechariah 11:12-13 [12] I told them, "If you think it best, give me my pay; but if not, keep it." So they paid me thirty pieces of silver. [13] And the LORD said to me, "Throw it to the potter"--the handsome price at which they priced me! So I took the thirty pieces of silver and threw them into the house of the LORD to the potter. **500 B.C.** (cf. **Matthew 27:3-10**)

HIS DISCIPLES SCATTERED.

Zechariah 13:7 "Awake, O sword, against my shepherd, against the man who is close to me!" declares the LORD Almighty. "Strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered, and I will turn my hand against the little ones." **500 B.C.** (cf. **Matthew 26:31**)

HE WAS BEATEN WITH A ROD.

- **Micah 5:1** Marshal your troops, O city of troops, for a siege is laid against us. They will strike Israel's ruler on the cheek with a rod. **700 B.C.** (cf. **Mark 15:19**)

HE WAS GIVEN VINEGAR AND GALL TO DRINK.

Psalm 69:21 They put gall in my food and gave me vinegar for my thirst. **1000 B.C.** (cf. **Matthew 27:34, 48**)

HIS HANDS AND FEET WERE NAILED.

Psalm 22:16 Dogs have surrounded me; a band of evil men has encircled me, they have pierced my hands and my feet. **1000 B.C.** (cf. **John 20:25**)

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??? WHY DID HE DO THIS ???

Romans 5:8 But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

John 3:16-18 [16] For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. [17] For *God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him*. [18] Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because he has not believed in the name of God's one and only Son.

Acts 4:12 Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved.

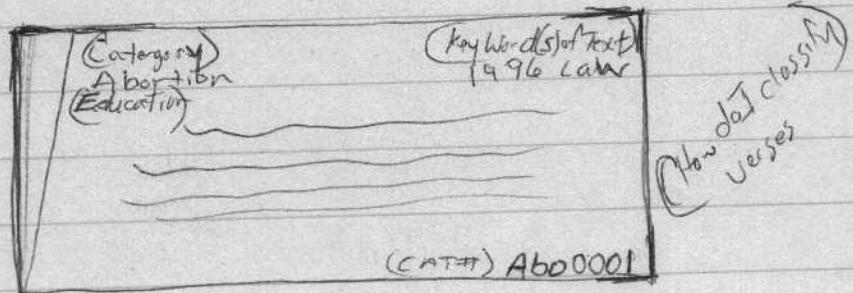
Romans 10:9 If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord *and believe* in your heart that God raised him from the dead, **YOU WILL BE SAVED.**

Life of Christ
January 6, 2004

Esther means "Star"

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3 Synoptics Matthew, Mark, Luke



Silver = Redemption

Matt. 27: 3 "repented himself" compare NIV
"sized with remorse"

Matthew 27:34 + 48 wineVingar, wine + gall?

John 7:13, 5

"Stay sharp for God"

TEST YOURSELF*

* Answer key is at end of test.

Subject: The Simplicity and Grace of THE NEW BIRTH

Instructions: You may use your Bible or the teaching to answer the questions. First try to answer them from memory. Check your answers with the answer key and make any necessary corrections. Use a pencil when taking the test.

1. True or False Believing *in* God and believing God are two different things.

2. The very important Scriptures that pertain to being born again are:

a. Romans 9: 10 & 9

b. Romans 12: 1 & 2

c. Romans 10: 9 & 10

3. When you confess that Jesus Christ is Lord in your life and believe that God raised him from the dead, you are to say this:

a. Only when a priest is present

b. Every day

c. In front of a large congregation

d. To God alone once in your life

4. True or False When a person becomes born again, their mind changes.

5. The renewed mind is:

a. A myth

b. Your key to power

c. A continuous process

d. Both b. and c. are correct

e. None of the above

6. Ephesians 2:8 says we are saved by:

a. Works

b. A minister

c. Religion

d. Grace

7. The term 'grace' used in the Bible means:

a. blessing your food

b. the nickname of Mary's sister

c. the renewed mind

d. divine favor

8. In order to renew the mind and walk with the power of God, we must

a. Study philosophy

b. Study religion

c. Watch the 6'o'clock news every night.

d. Go to church

e. None of the above

9. We must study God's Word to renew the mind and walk with the power of God.

10. The Bible in I Cor. 2:14 refers to the man of body and soul as the:

- a. creature
- b. normal man
- c. natural man
- d. spiritual being

11. Yes No Can the natural man know and understand spiritual matters?

12. A person's heart, in the Bible, is referred to as:

- a. their personal life
- b. the innermost part of their being
- c. an internal organ of perception
- d. All of the above

13. Believing emanates from the heart.

14. When you become born again, you now become body, soul and:

- a. heart
- b. mind
- c. full of grace
- d. spirit

15. True or False Once you are born again, God can then teach your spirit and your spirit then teaches your mind.

16. True or False Once you are born again and continue to sin, you can lose the spirit within and then you need to get born again, again!

17. Romans 12:2 says we are to be transformed like a caterpillar to butterfly. How does this take place?

- a. By listening to the religious leaders
- b. By prayer alone
- c. By staying in great physical condition
- d. By renewing the mind to the Word of God.

18. When will we be able to stop renewing the mind?

- a. Never
- b. When we read the complete Bible
- c. When Jesus Christ returns
- d. Both b. and c. are correct

19. If someone is not born again, they have the ability to become born again by:

- a. Believing Romans 10: 9, 10
- b. Confessing their sin
- c. Getting baptized in water
- d. Giving up everything they care about

20. True False First we look for results from God, then we act on the Word.

Answer Key:

1. True	2. C	3. D	4. False	5. D	6. D	7. D	8. E
9. God's Word		10. C	11. No	12. B	13. Heart	14. D	
15. True	16. False		17. D	18. C	19. A	20. False	

.THE MINISTRY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IN THE LIFE OF CHRIST

1. **Luke 1:35**
2. **Matt. 3:16; Hebrews 1:9**
3. **Luke 4:18**
4. **John 6:27**
5. **Matt. 4:1**
6. **Matt. 12:28; Acts 10:38**
7. **Luke 4:1; John 3:34**
8. **John 11:33**
9. **Luke 10:21**
10. **Hebrews 9:14**
11. **Romans 1:4; 1 Peter 3:18**

12. **Acts 1:2**
13. **Romans 8:11**

Acts 1:5 For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence.

Acts 2:1 And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.

2: And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.

3: And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.

4: And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Home work assignment

Look up above the above Scriptures and tell how the Holy Spirit was operative in Our Saviour's Life

I asked God

I asked God to Take away my habit. God said, No.
It is not for me to take away, but for you to give it up.

I asked God to make me a millionaire
God said, No.

As your day so shall your needs be met
I asked God to grant me patience.

God said, No.
Patience is a byproduct of tribulations;

it isn't granted, it is learned.

I asked God to give me happiness.
God said, No.

I give you blessings; Happiness is up to you.
I asked God to spare me pain.

God said, No.

Suffering draws you apart from worldly cares
and brings you closer to me.

I asked God to make my spirit grow.
God said, No.

You must grow on your own!
but I will prune you to make you fruitful.

I asked God for all things that I might enjoy life.
God said no

I will give you life, so that you may enjoy all things.
I ask God to help me LOVE others, as much as He loves me.

God said...Ahhhh, finally you have the idea.

THIS DAY IS YOURS DON'T THROW IT AWAY May God Bless You,
"To the world you might be one person, but to one
person you just might be the world"

**I ASKED GOD TO SAVE MY SOUL AND IMMEDIATELY I WAS CHANGED,
BROUGHT OUT OF DARKNESS INTO His marvelous light. He gave me a
new robe of Righteousness and now my name is written in the lamb's
book of life. Than I said Yes, yes, yes, yes. Amen, Amen. Amen,Amen**

**WHAT IS YOUR TESTIMONY? DOES IT REALLY
MATTER IF HE SAYS NO TO ALL YOUR DEMANDS?**

I am very optimistic and excited for this new year. God is always faithful to lead and Guide and I know He has nothing but good planned for those that trust in Him. He is the door! Amen.

good thinking

1. Bethlehem
2. Jerusalem
3. Nazareth
4. Egypt
5. Bethabara
6. Temptation Wilderness
7. Bethsaida
8. Cana
9. Capernaum
10. Jordan River
11. Sychor
12. Galilee
13. Mount Tabor
14. Nain
15. Gerasenes
16. Plain of Gennesaret
17. Tyre
18. Sidon
19. Decapolis
20. Magdala
21. Derea
22. Ceasarea Philippi
23. Mt. Hermon
24. Bethany
25. Jericho
26. Bethpage
27. Gethsemane
28. Calvary
29. Emmaus
30. Tiberias
31. Mt. of Olives

MAP OF ISRAEL



THE PERSONAL DIALOGUES OF THE SAVIOR

1. With Nathaniel, concerning His omniscience and ascension
John 1:47-51
2. With his mother, concerning His life's purpose
John 2:3,4
3. With Nicodemus, concerning His life's purpose
John 3:1-21
4. With a Samaritan woman, concerning Living Waters
John 4:6-25
5. With a leper, concerning his healing
Mt. 8:2-4
6. With Centurion, concerning healing and faith
Mt. 8:6-13, Lk. 7:4-9
7. With Simon, the Pharisee, concerning love and forgiveness
Lk. 7:40-47
8. With Jairus, concerning his daughter
Mk. 5:22, 23, 35, 36
9. With an impotent, concerning healing
Jn. 5:6-8, 14
10. With a Syro-phoenician mother, concerning her daughter
Mt. 15:21-28
11. With a blind man, concerning healing
Mk. 8:22-26
12. With an adulterous woman, concerning her accusers
Jn. 8:10, 11
13. With a man born blind, concerning His own Deity
Jn. 9:7, 35-37
14. With the father of a demoniac boy
Mk. 9:17-24
15. With a lawyer, concerning one's neighbor
Lk. 10:25-37
16. With three-would be disciples, concerning discipleship
Lk. 9:57-62
17. With a man in the crowd, concerning covetousness
Lk. 12:13,14
18. With a leper, concerning gratitude
Lk. 17:13-19
19. With a rich young ruler, concerning eternal life
Mt. 19:16-22
20. With a blind man, concerning healing
Lk. 18:35-42
21. With Zacchaeus, concerning Salvation
Lk. 19:1-10
22. With blind Bartimaeus, concerning healing
Mk. 10:46-52
23. With a scribe, concerning the greatest of the commandments
Mk. 12:28-34
24. With Judas (not Iscarchiot), concerning the abiding presence of the Trinity
Jn. 14:22,23
25. With Annas, concerning his teaching

Jn. 18:19-23

26. With Caiaphas, concerning His own Deity
Mt. 26:62-64
27. With a dying thief, concerning paradise
Lk. 23:42,43
28. With Mary Magdalene, concerning his resurrection
Jn. 20:14-18
29. With Cleopas, concerning his own resurrection
Lk. 24:17-27
30. With Peter:
 - a. concerning soul-winning (Lk. 5:4-11)
 - b. concerning faith (Mt. 14:26-31)
 - c. concerning discipleship (Jn. 6:66-70)
 - d. concerning his deity (Mt. 16:15-19)
 - e. concerning his sufferings (Mt. 16:21-23)
 - f. concerning the paying of tribute (Mt. 17:25-27)
 - g. concerning forgiveness (Mt. 18:21-22)
 - h. concerning humility (Jn. 12:6-11)
 - i. concerning his first denials (Jn. 13:36-38)
 - j. concerning his second denials (Mk. 14:29-31)
 - k. concerning his love for Christ (Jn. 21:15-22)
31. With Martha:
 - a. concerning the most important things
(Lk. 10:38-42)
 - b. concerning the resurrection
(Jn. 11:21-23,31,40)
32. With Judas:
 - a. concerning his betrayal in the upper room
(Mt. 26:25, Jn. 13:27)
 - b. concerning his betrayal in the garden
(Mt. 26:29,50; Lk. 22:48)
33. With Pilate:
 - a. concerning His kingdom
(Mt. 27:11-24; Mk. 15:1-5; Lk. 23:3)
34. With James and John:
 - a. concerning Sectarianism (Mk. 9:38-42)
 - b. concerning revenge (Lk. 9:54-56)
 - c. concerning arrangements of The Kingdom (Mt. 20:2; Mk. 10:35-40)
35. With Philip
 - a. concerning the feeding of 5,000 (Jn. 6:5-7)
 - b. concerning the Father (Jn. 14:8,9)
36. With Thomas
 - a. concerning the way of life (Jn. 14:5-6)
 - b. concerning belief (Jn. 20:26-29)

Life of Christ

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Luke 2:51-52

- Jesus increased in:
- wisdom
- stature
- in favor with God
- in favor with man

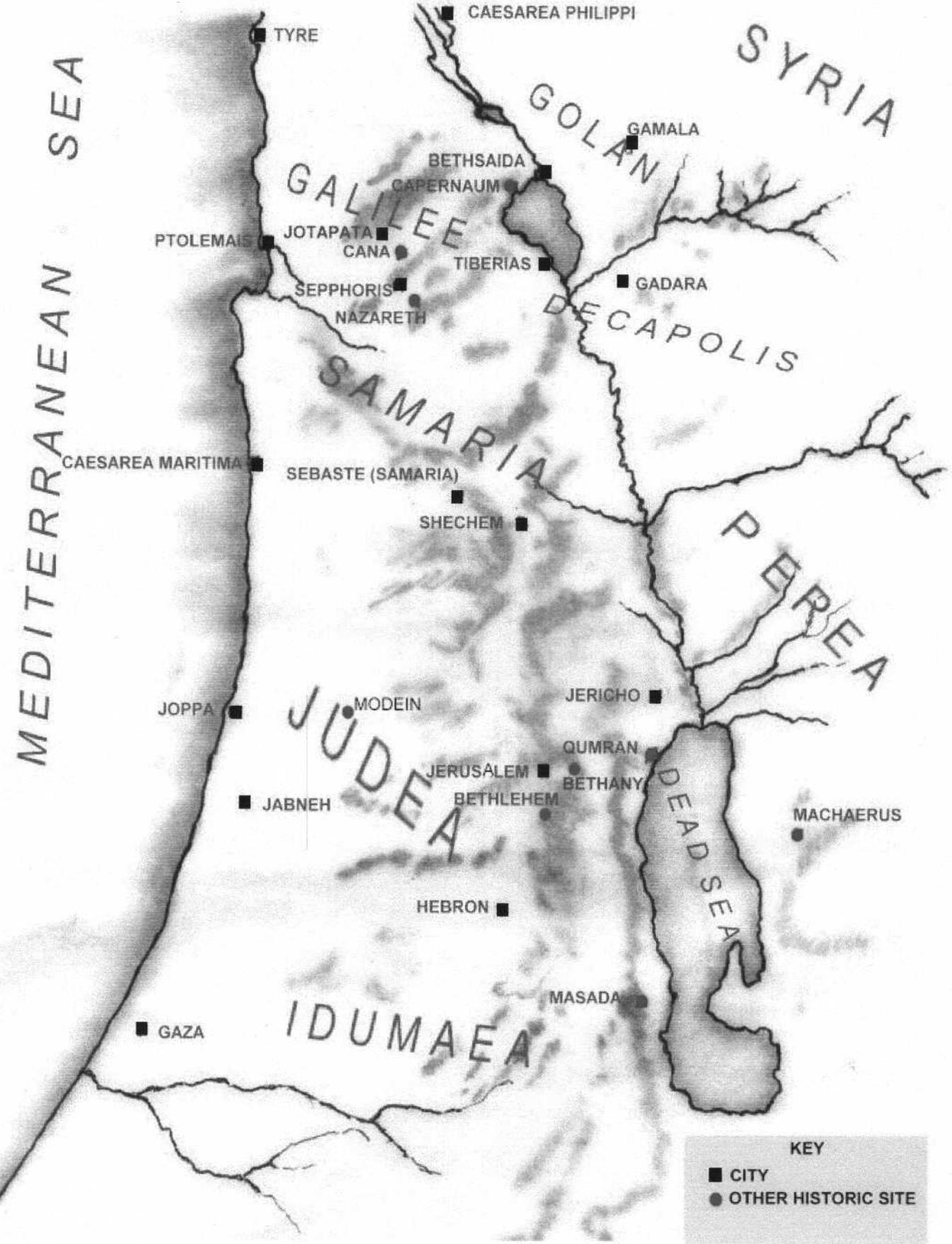
John 3:13-17 Christ's Baptism in Water &
the Holy Spirit lighting on Him

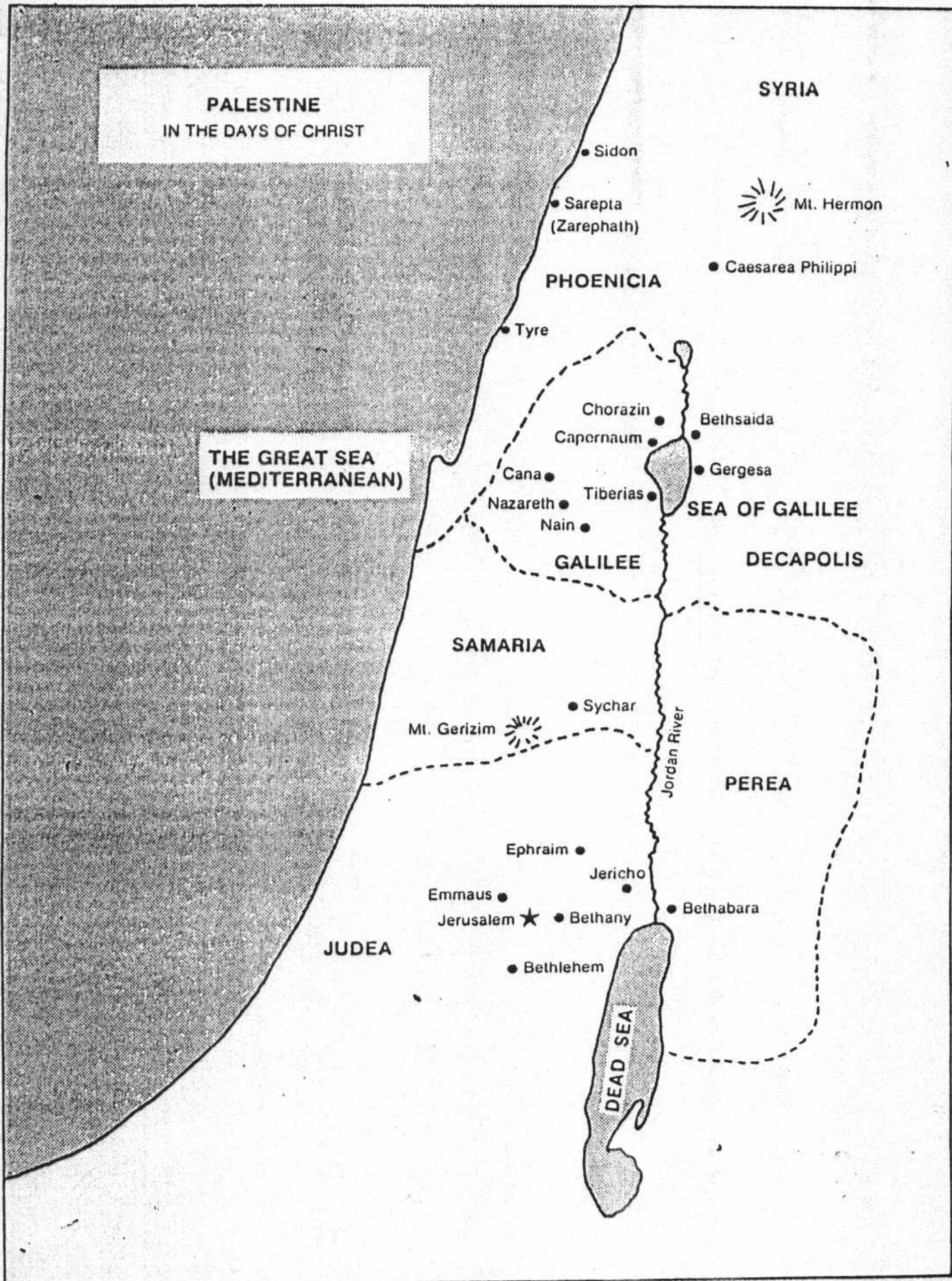
-Even Christ was water baptized.-

Water baptism is an expression of the inward
change that has already taken place.

Confessing to the world I will follow Jesus.

God confirms Christ as His Son here,





THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW"

Introduction To The Sermon On The Mount (5:1-2)



- 1. In Matthew 5-7, we have recorded the most famous sermon that has ever been preached...**
 - a. Commonly referred to as "The Sermon On The Mount"**
 - b. It has touched more hearts, and in turn has sparked more sermons than any other**
- 2. In Mt 5:1-2, the setting for the sermon is given...**
 - a. He saw the multitudes that were following Him - Mt 4:25**
 - b. He therefore ascended a mountain**
 - 1) Many believe this refers to a natural amphitheater between the "Horns of Hattin", on a slope that arises above Capernaum (Believers' Study Bible)**
 - 2) This may be the same occasion as "The Sermon On The Plain"**
- cf. Lk 6:17-49
 - c. When His disciples came to Him, He sat down and began to speak**
 - 1) It was common to speak while sitting, rather than standing as we do today**
 - 2) Cf. Mt 13:1-2; Jn 8:2**
- 3. What is Jesus talking about in this sermon?**
 - a. What is the main "THEME?"**
 - b. What is the "CONTENT" of this sermon?**

[In this study we shall introduce "The Sermon On The Mount" by seeking to answer these two questions. To begin, let's determine...]

I. THE "THEME" OF THE SERMON

- A. NOTE THE "SETTING" LEADING UP TO THE SERMON...**
 - 1. In Mt 3:1-3, we read of the preaching of John the Baptist**
 - a. Who was sent to prepare the way of the Lord**
 - b. The theme of his preaching concerned "the kingdom of heaven"**
 - 2. In Mt 4, we read of the beginning of Jesus' ministry**
 - a. After His temptation, Jesus preaches a message similar to John's - Mt 4:17**
 - b. His preaching in Galilee pertained to the "gospel of the kingdom" - Mt 4:23**

B. NOTE A "PHRASE" USED THROUGHOUT THE SERMON...

1. "for theirs is the kingdom of heaven" - Mt 5:3
 2. "for theirs is the kingdom of heaven" - Mt 5:10
 3. "...shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven" - Mt 5:19
 4. "...shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven" - Mt 5:19
 5. "...will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven" - Mt 5:20
 6. "Your kingdom come" - Mt 6:10
 7. "But seek first the kingdom of God" - Mt 6:33
 8. ". . . shall enter the kingdom of heaven" - Mt 7:21
- Isn't Jesus talking about "the kingdom of heaven"?

[Both the setting and His repeated use a particular phrase should lead us to conclude that the "theme" of Jesus' sermon on the mount is:

"THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN"

With this in mind, let's briefly consider the "content" of the sermon as I offer the following outline...]

II. THE "CONTENT" OF THE SERMON

A. THE "CITIZENS" OF THE KINGDOM...

1. Their character and blessedness - Mt 5:3-12
 - a. Qualities to be found in those who will be citizens of this kingdom
 - b. The blessings enjoyed by these citizens
2. Their relation to the world - Mt 5:13-16
 - a. They are the salt of the earth
 - b. They are the light of the world

B. THE "RIGHTEOUSNESS" OF THE KINGDOM...

1. In contrast to the "traditional interpretations and applications" of the Law - Mt 5:17-48
 - a. Jesus has not come to destroy or show disrespect to the Law
 - 1) It will not pass away until it is fulfilled
 - 2) Those who violate it teach contrary to it (while it exists) will be least in the kingdom
 - b. Jesus does require that the righteousness of those in the kingdom exceed the righteousness of the Scribes and Pharisees
 - c. He illustrates by a series of contrasts concerning:
 - 1) Murder and anger
 - 2) Adultery
 - 3) Divorce
 - 4) The swearing of oaths
 - 5) The taking of revenge
 - 6) The treatment of enemies

- In each case His teaching is consistent with the Law, but not the traditional interpretations and applications of the Law
2. With respect to man's relation to God - Mt 6:1-33

Have you been born again of water and the Spirit? - Mk 16:16; Acts 2:38

Nicodemus said to Him, "How can a man be born when he is old?" Jesus answered, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born into his mother's womb and be born?" Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God (Jn 3:3-5)

"unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." Jesus answered and said to him, "Most assuredly, I say to you,

the words of our Lord to Nicodemus... Have you responded to the exhortation to enter the kingdom? Remember

- C. THE "EXHORTATION TO ENTER" THE KINGDOM...
- 1. The "beginning" of the way - Mt 7:13-14
 - a. It will be narrow and difficult
 - b. You will know them by their fruits
 - c. The "end" of the way - Mt 7:21-27
 - 2. The "progress" along the way - Mt 7:15-20
 - a. Beware of false prophets who are wolves in sheep's clothing
 - b. Not many will find it
 - c. The golden rule
 - 3. With respect to man's relation to man - Mt 7:1-12
 - a. Charitable deeds
 - b. Prayer
 - c. Fasting
 - d. Materialism
 - e. Anxiety
 - f. Judging others
 - g. Asking, seeking, knocking
 - h. Begging

- B. THE KINGDOM OF GOD...
- 1. The "Kingdom of God" is like a man's kingdom
 - a. It is like a mustard seed which a man took and sowed in his field.
 - b. It grows and becomes a great tree, and the birds of the air come and lodge in its branches.
 - c. It is like leaven which a woman took and hid in three measures of flour until it was all leavened.
 - d. It is like a grain of mustard seed which a man took and sowed in the ground; and it grew and became a very large tree, so that the birds of the air came and lodged under its branches.
 - e. It is like a pearl of great price which a man found hidden in a field.
 - f. Or like a merchant looking for fine pearls;
 - g. Who when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had and bought it.
 - h. It is like a king who made himself ready to judge his servants.
 - i. He sent forth his servants to gather those who were evil and bring them into the judgment seat of the king, to be punished.
 - j. The king then said to those servants, "As for this servant who did not work for me but ate my bread, let him go."
 - k. And he said to the other servants, "Bring also the poor and maimed and blind and lame."
 - l. And he said to them, "Enter ye into the kingdom of heaven, for it is prepared for you from the foundation of the world."
 - 2. The "Kingdom of God" is like a man who sows good seed in his field; but while men slept, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and went his way.
 - 3. But when the harvest was made, the reapers gathered them into barns, and brought them before the master of the house, and he commanded them to be cast into the fire; but the good were gathered into his kingdom.

THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT

Rules for the redeemed

The Money Rule

Matthew 6:19: Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal:

20: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal:

THE GOLDEN RULE

Matt. 7:12: Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets.

THE JUDGMENT RULE

Matt.7:1: Judge not, that ye be not judged.

THE WORRY RULE

Matt. 6:31: Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed?

32: (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things.

33: But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

THE PRAYER RULE

7: Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you:

8: For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

DUETS

**Two Metaphors Ye are the salt of the earth
Matt. 5:13, 14**

**Two gates Wide gate
Mt. 7:13,14 leads to destruction
 Many take this way**

**Two trees The good tree
Mt. 7:15-23 Much fruit
 A type of the true teacher
 Professing and Possessing**

**Two builders The Wise builder
7:24-27 Built his house on a rock
 Survived the storm**

Ye are the light of the world

**The Narrow gate
Leads to salvation
Few there be that take it**

**The bad fruit
No fruit
A type of a false teacher
Professing only**

**The foolish Builder
Built his house upon the sand
Destroyed by the storm**

The Sermon on the Mount (Matthew chapters 5-7) (Luke 6:20-49)

The Eightfold Highway to Happiness (Matthew 5:1-12)

BEUTITUDE (happy)	EXEMPLIFIED BY CHRIST	EXEMPLIFIED BY OTHERS	REWARD
THOSE ^{POOR} IN SPIRIT (Mt 5:3)	1 Peter 2:22	The New Testament Joseph (Mt.1:18-20)	The Kingdom of Heaven
THOSE THAT MOURN (Mt.5:4)	Mt.26:37,38	Job	To be comforted
THE MEEK (MT. 5-5)	Mt.11:28-30 Jn13:4,5	Moses Num 12:3	To inherit the earth
THOSE WHO HUNGER AND THIRST FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS SAKE (MT. 5:6)	John 4:34	Paul (Phil 1:21;3:7-14)	To be filled
THE MERCIFUL (MT. 5:7)	Luke 23-43 Hebrew 2:17	David	To obtain mercy
THE PURE IN HEART(MT.5:8)	Luke 2:40,52	Old Testament Joseph	To see God
THE PEACEMAKERS	Eph.2:14-17	Barnabas	To be called the sons of God
THOSE PERSECUTED FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS' SAKE (MT. 5:10)	Acts 13:28	Daniel	The Kingdom of Heaven

The Law of God and the Son

The Relationship Of Christ To The Law

"Think not that I am come to destroy the law of the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfill. For verily I say unto you, till heaven and earth shall pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled." (Mt. 5:17,18)

THE AMPLIFICATION BY CHRIST OF THE LAW

.....the OLD and the NEW.....

"YE HAVE HEARD IT SAID..."

5:21 Thou shalt not kill.
Ex. 20:13

5:27 Thou shalt not commit adultery.
Ex. 20:14

5:31 Whosoever shall put away his wife, let him give her a writing of divorce.
Deut. 24:1,3

5:33 Thou shalt not perjure thyself, but shall perform unto the Lord thine oaths.
Ex. 20:7 Lev. 19:12

5:38 An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth.
Ex. 21:24 Lev. 24:20

5:43 Thou shalt love thy neighbor, and hate thine enemy.
Lev. 19:18 Num. 28:11 Deut. 30:7

"BUT I SAY UNTO YOU..."

5:22 Whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of judgment.

5:28 Whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her in his heart.

5:32 Whosoever shall put away his wife except for the cause of fornication causeth her to commit adultery.

5:34, 37 Swear not at all....but let your communication be, Yea,yea; Nay, nay.

5:39 Resist not evil, but whosoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also.

5:44 Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them who despitefully use you, and persecute you.

Parabolic words found in Matthew 5-7

Rom:16:25: Now to him that is of power to stablish you according to my gospel, and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which was kept secret since the world began,

1Cor:2:7: But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory:

{Parabolic- having the form of or relating to a parable}

<i>salt</i>	<i>serpent</i>
<i>light</i>	<i>gate</i>
<i>candlestick</i>	<i>way</i>
<i>house</i>	<i>sheep</i>
<i>bushel</i>	<i>wolves</i>
<i>Gehenna</i>	<i>fruits</i>
<i>judge</i>	<i>grapes</i>
<i>adversary</i>	<i>thorns</i>
<i>officer</i>	<i>figs</i>
<i>prison</i>	<i>thistles</i>
<i>throne</i>	<i>tree</i>
<i>footstool</i>	<i>rock</i>
<i>feet</i>	<i>flood</i>
<i>inner chamber</i>	<i>birds</i>
<i>door</i>	<i>Lilies</i>
<i>moth</i>	<i>scorpio</i>
<i>rust</i>	<i>mote</i>
<i>thieves</i>	<i>dogs</i>
<i>stone</i>	<i>swine</i>
<i>fish</i>	<i>loaf</i>

MOUNTAINS IN THE LIFE OF CHRIST

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| 1. TEMPTATION | MT. 4:8 AGAIN, THE DEVIL
INTO AN EXCEEDING HIGH MOUNTAIN:
SHEWETH HIM ALL THE KINGDOMS OF THE
WORLD, AND THE GLORY OF THEM. |
| 2. SERMON | MT. 5:1 AND SEEING THE MULTITUDE,
HE WENT UP INTO A MOUNTAIN: HIS DISCIPLES
WERE SET THEREUP WITH HIM. |
| 3. PRAYER | MT. 14:23: AND AFTER SIX DAYS JESUS
TAKETH PETER, JAMES, AND JOHN THE
BROTHER, AND BRINGETH THEM UP ON A
HIGH MOUNTAIN APART, |
| 4. TRANSFIGURATION | MT. 17:1 AND AFTER SIX DAYS JESUS
TAKETH PETER, JAMES, AND JOHN THE
BROTHER, AND BRINGETH THEM UP ON A
HIGH MOUNTAIN APART, |
| 5. PROPHECY | MT. 24:3 AND AS HE SAT UP ON THE MOUNTAIN
OF OLIVES, THE DISCIPLES CAME UNTO HIM
PRIVATELY, SAYING, TELL US, WHEN THESE THINGS
SHALL BE? AND WHAT SIGN OF THY COMING, AND OF
THE END OF THE WORLD? |
| 6. AGONY | MT. 26: 30,31 AND WHEN THEY HAD SUNG
HYMN, THEY WENT OUT INTO THE GARDEN OF
OLIVES.
THEN SAITH JESUS UNTO THEM, ALL YE
SHALL BE OFFENDED BECAUSE OF ME THIS
NIGHT: FOR IT IS WRITTEN, I WILL
SHEPHERD, AND THE SHEEP OF THE FLOCK. |
| 7. ASCENSION | LUKE 24: 50 AND HE LED THEM OUT AS
FAR AS TO BETHANY, AND HE LIFTED UP
HIS HANDS, AND BLESSED THEM. |

Mt. 17:20

And Jesus said unto them, Because of your unbelief: for verily I say unto you, If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove: and nothing shall be impossible unto you.

THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT"

Expository Outlines On Matthew 5-7

Introduction To The Sermon On The Mount

The Beatitudes (Mt 5:3-12)

Salt And Light (Mt 5:13-16)

Jesus And The Law (Mt 5:17-19)

Righteousness Of The Scribes & Pharisees (Mt 5:20)

Murder And Anger (Mt 5:21-26)

Concerning Adultery (Mt 5:27-30)

The Effects Of Divorce (Mt 5:31-32)

The Swearing Of Oaths (Mt 5:33-37)

Taking Revenge (Mt 5:38-42)

Treatment Of Enemies (Mt 5:43-48)

Charitable Deeds (Mt 6:1-4)

Prayer (Mt 6:5-15)

Fasting (Mt 6:16-18)

Materialism (Mt 6:19-24)

Anxiety (Mt 6:25-34)

Judging Others (Mt 7:1-6)

Asking, Seeking, Knocking (Mt 7:7-11)

The Golden Rule (Mt 7:12)

Exhortations In Entering The Kingdom (Mt 7:13-27)

NOTE: WORTHY SERMONS

<u>SERMON</u>	<u>WHERE PREACHED</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>	<u>SCRIPTURE</u>
1. Taken from Isaiah 61	Nazareth	To identify himself <i>As the Messiah</i>	Lk.4
2. Sermon on the Mt.	Mt Tabor (?)	To review what believers should do today To preview what believers Will do in the Millennium	Mt. 5-7
3. On judgment And resurrection	In the Jerusalem Temple	To equate himself with The Father as the source Source of life	Jn. 5:19-47
4. On the Bread of Life	By the Sea of Galilee	The Father as the Bread of Life	Jn. 6:22-71
5. Feast of Tabernacles Sermon	Outside the Jerusalem Temple	To invite people to the Living Water	Jn. 7: 1-53
6. Temple treasury Sermon	In the Jerusalem Temple	To identify Himself as The Light and the Life Of the World	Jn. 8:12-59
7. Good Shepherd Sermon	In Jerusalem	To fulfill Psalm 23 And Ezekiel 34	Jn. 10:1-28
8. Mt. Olivet discourse	On the Mt of Olives	To act as a survival Guide to believing Jews During the tribulation	Mt. 24-25
9. Sermon on the Father's House	In the Upper Room	To prepare Apostles For the crucifixion And Pentecost	Jn. 14
10. Sermons on the Holy Spirit and the vine	En route to Gethsemane	To prepare believers for Christian Service	Jn. 15-16

Temptation LIFE OF CHRIST

"...God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able, but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it." I Corinthians 10:13

I. Who or what is the source of temptation?

A God does not tempt man.

James 1:13

B. Satan is called "the tempter."

Mat 4:1, 3; Mk 1:13; 1 Corin 7:5; 1 Chron 21:1; 1 Thes 3:5

C. Temptation comes from our own lusts.

James 2:14, 15; 1 John 2:16

II. God has put certain restrictions upon Satan's efforts.

A. God never allows us to be tempted beyond our ability to endure & triumph victoriously.

1 Corin 10:13

B. Satan is limited in his power in that he must request permission of God to come against us.

Job 1:12

III. Why does God allow temptation?

A. The primary purpose of temptation, if overcome, is to "perfect" us, or to make us complete.

Job 23:10; Jas 1:1-4

B. We have the choice of what to do with each temptation: either to overcome it by God's grace; or, to yield to it in sin.

1. The reward for victory over temptation will be the crown of life.

Jas 1:12; Revel 3:11

2. The result of defeat under temptation is death.

Ezek 18:4; Jas 1:15

IV. How can temptation be overcome?

A. By faith.

1 Pet 5:9; 1 Jn 5:4

B. By the Word of God.

Mat 4; Luke 4 ("...it is written...")

C. By prayer.

Mat 6:13; Lu 22:40, 46

V. In fighting temptation, it is important that the child of God recognize exactly what he is up against. "We are not ignorant of [Satan's] devices." 2 Corin 2:11

A. We do not fight "against flesh & blood" (things in the natural realm), "but against...spiritual wickedness..."

Eph 6:12; 2 Corin 10:3-5

B. Satan deals most successfully in the realm of deception.

Gen 3:1; Mat 4:3; 2 Corin 11:3

C. Satan operates in the soulish realm, too--that of the mind, will and emotions--for our thoughts have yet to be put under subjection to Christ.

2 Corin 11:3

VI. Much can be learned from the account of Jesus' temptation in the wilderness.

A. Jesus was tempted on all three levels: 1. the lust of the flesh; 2. the lust of the eyes; and 3. the pride of life. (Mat 4; Lu 4) This was the same means by which Satan tempted Eve (Gen 3:6), and it is the same way he tries to make us fall today (1 Jn 2:15-17).

B. This is what God means when He says that Jesus was "in all points tempted like as we are."

Heb 4:15

C. However, Jesus never yielded to temptation. He never sinned.

Jn 8:29; 14:30; 2 Corin 5:21; Heb 4:15; 7:26; 10:7 1 Pet 2:22; 1:19; 1 Jn 3:5

D. Therefore, Jesus Christ is qualified to be an understanding Mediator (go-between) for man.

Heb 2:17, 18



TEMPTATION OF JESUS

**GENESIS 3:6 LUKE 4:1-13 1 JOHN
2:16, 17**

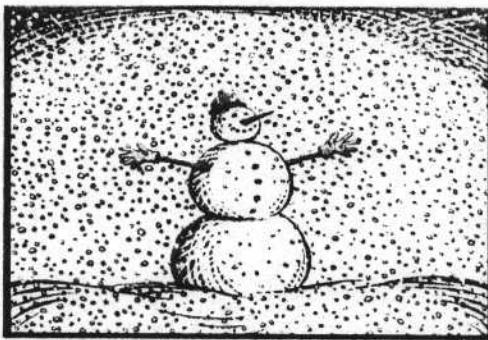
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Heb:4:15: For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.

SILENT MOMENT #3
Pleasing One



Mt:6:24: No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.

The story is told of a painter who desired to produce one work that would please the entire world. Marshaling all of her skills, she drew a picture and took it to the marketplace. At the bottom of the piece, she posted the directions for spectators to mark each portion of the picture that did not meet their approval. The spectators came, and in general applauded her work. However, eager to make a personal critique each person marked a small portion of the picture. By evening, the painter was mortified to find the entire picture had become a blot.

The next day the painter returned with a copy of the original picture. This time she asked the spectators to mark the portion of the work they admired. The spectators again complied. When the artist returned several hours later, she found that every stroke that had been panned the day before had received praise by this day's critics.

The artist concluded "I now believe the best way to please one-half the world is not to mind what the other half says."

People will always have an opinion about what we say or do. That's why we need to live our lives according to the Words of the Bible one opinion. What we do, we will not fret over the opinions of others, because God's opinion is the only one that merits our efforts.

THE FORMULA FOR FAILURE, TRY TO PLEASE EVERYONE.

A Letter From Jesus

Author Unknown



Dear Friend,

I just had to write to tell you how much I love you and care for you.

Yesterday, I saw you walking and laughing with your friends; I hoped that soon you'd want Me to walk along with you, too. So, I painted you a sunset to close your day and whispered a cool breeze to refresh you. I waited; you never called. I just kept on loving you.

As I watched you fall asleep last night, I wanted so much to touch you. I spilled moonlight onto your face trickling down your cheeks as so many tears have. You didn't even think of me; I wanted so much to comfort you.

The next day I exploded a brilliant sunrise into a glorious morning for you. But you woke up late and rushed off to work—you didn't even notice.

My sky became cloudy and My tears were the rain.

I love you! Oh, if you'd only listen. I really love you! I try to say it in the quiet of the green meadow and in the blue sky. The wind whispers My love throughout the treetops and spills it into the vibrant colors of the flowers.

I shout it to you in the thunder of the great waterfalls and composed love songs for birds to sing for you. I warm you with the clothing of My sunshine and perfume the air with nature's sweet scent.

My love for you is deeper than the ocean and greater than any need in your heart. If you'd only realize how I care. I died just for you. My Dad sends His love. I want you to meet Him. He cares, too. Fathers are just that way.

So please call Me soon. No matter how long it takes, I'll wait because I love you.

Your Friend,
Jesus

"What a friend we have in Jesus!" Jesus knows our every weakness. "Every time I read His love letter—I encouraged and strengthened. His provision for man is so COMPLETE. Thank you Lord!

Stephen Reynolds, Jr.

A different Mother's Day



Long, long ago so I 've been told there were two mothers on the streets of glory sharing all the wonders of this celestial city, New Jerusalem.

"By the stars in your crown, " said one to the other, "I see that on earth , you, too were a mother."

"Aye yes,I once had a son, sweet boy full of laughter and fun."

"But tell of your son..."

"Oh, I knew he was blessed from the moment I held Him close to me, and my heart almost burst with the joy of that day."

"Ah, yes, "said the other mother""I too felt the same way."

The first mother continued, "The first step he took, so timid and careful, that sweet startled look that came over His face...He trusted me so."

"Ah, yes , "said the other, "How well I know."

"But soon he had grown to a tall handsome boy, kingly that it gave me great joy just to have Him walk down the street by my side."

"Oh, yes, "cried the other. "I felt the same pride."

"How often I shielded and spared him from pain, for others was so cruelly slain, when they crucified Him and spit in His face, How gladly would I have died to take His place."

A moment of silence, "Ah, then you are she, the mother of Christ" and she fell on one knee.

But blessed one raised her drawing her near, kissed from the cheek of the woman, a tear.

"Tell of your son, the one you loved so, that I may share with you your grief and your woe.. "

She raised her eyes and look straight at the other , and said, and said,

He was Judas Iscariot.....I am his mother."

SO SEND I YOU

Margaret Clarkson, who was born in 1915, was a teacher in a gold-mining camp in northern Ontario, Canada. It was a lonely life for this woman, but she also knew that this is where God wanted her to serve Him. She had a great desire to be a missionary on a foreign field but because of her health was unable to go. One day she was reading again the verse John 20:21, "Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you." While meditating on this verse she wrote the words to a hymn that has become a favorite during missionary conferences, "So Send I You." Maybe after reading the words to this hymn a person would fear the call to missions. But, what a person must understand is that when God calls, He gives such a great desire that all else is unsatisfying and empty.

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*So send I you to labor unrewarded,  
To serve unpaid, unloved, unsought, unknown,  
To bear rebuke, to suffer scorn and scoffing-  
So send I you to toil for me alone.*

*So send I you to bind the bruised and broken,  
O'er wand'ring souls to work, to weep, to wake,  
To bear the burdens of a world aweary-  
So send I you to suffer for My sake.*

*So send I you to loneliness and longing,  
With heart ahung'ring for the loved and known,  
Forsaking home and kindred, fr:end and dear one-  
So send I you to know My love alone.*

*So send I you to leave your life's ambition,  
To die to dear desire, self-will resign,  
To labor long, and love where men revile you-  
So send I you to love your life in Mine.*

*So send I you to hearts made hard by hatred,  
To eyes made blind because they will not see,  
To spend, tho' it be blood, to spend and spare not-  
So send I you to taste of Calvary.*

Freedom of religion and religious beliefs is a fundamental right in Holland. This means that people are free to worship as they choose, either individually or in groups, provided they remain within the boundaries imposed by the law and respect others (for example with regard to noise levels, health hazards and disturbances of the peace). In Holland, church and state are separate. The government does not interfere in the internal affairs of organizations that profess religious or philosophical beliefs, and the latter do not interfere with matters of state. Of the population 41% is not religious, 27% Roman Catholic, 23% Protestant and 9% of other religion (including Islam, Hinduism and Buddhism).

**Total Population (2002): 16,067754 (Second most densely populated country in the world to Singapore)**

**Percentages of Ethnic Groups: Dutch - 83%, Other - 17% (9% Non-Western, mostly Slavic)**

**Languages Spoken: National Language - Dutch. English is nearly universal and this is a source of pride for the Dutch.**

**John 20:21 Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you.**

## Those Who Love You

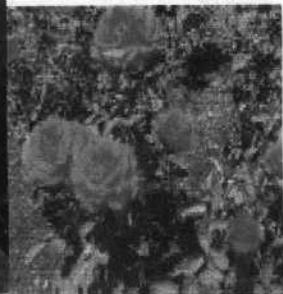
If anyone should hurt you  
And say a thing unkind,  
Remember what I tell you,  
And keep these things in mind.

For every one who makes you cry,  
There are three who make you smile,  
And a smile will last a long, long time,  
But a tear just a little while!

If someone says a thing that's cruel,  
Don't let it get to you,  
There's so much good about you,  
And your faults are very few.

So if a certain someone  
Should act a certain way,  
Just think of those who love you  
And don't let it ruin your day.

Don't let someone who hates the world  
Cause you to hate it too,  
For behind the clouds is a golden son,  
And a sky that's bright and blue!



## Many ROSES

**Philippians 1:6 God, who began a good work in you, will continue His work until it is finally finished. Ecclesiastes 3:1 For everything there is a season.**

**Sixty beautiful long stemmed roses - what a sight! The mixed bouquet or red, pink, white and yellow mingled together to make an exquisite arrangement.**

**My sisters' children surprised her with these to celebrate a most special birthday, and she was thrilled with the gift. She said, "I watched them all day, unfolding a little at a time." "When they die", she continued, "I plan to dry them so that I might still enjoy them."**

**I looked at those roses and noticed something interesting. Each day, as they unfolded, each color did so at its own speed. The pink and white were the first but the red never did. They just stayed in bud the entire week I was visiting. The yellow were the first to wilt and begin to die- their beautiful heads drooping toward the ground. Each color in the bouquet was set on its path of blooming, so to speak. Each held great beauty, ready to unfold in its own time. I believe God looks at us just as my sister looked at her bouquet. We are His bouquet of love, and He watches us unfold and change. He sees the beauty in each of His children. no matter the speed we blossom. He sees us as we are in tight bud at first, holding all the love He has bestowed upon us . Then we begin to open up to the power of the Holy Spirit, and as we unfold we share what He has given us, we become more beautiful. In full bloom, we are what He has called us to be here on earth, and then we, like the rose, wither and die. But we will not be forgotten, for when God uses us to touch the lives of others, the memory of His love will remain with them. Are you a rose in God's bouquet? It is a delight and privilege to be in this spiritual flower arrangement, and He invites you to be a part of it.**





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Dear Stephen Reynolds,

We are happy to inform you that you have been accepted as a student of Deliverance Bible Institute.

We are looking forward to a great year. God is doing a quick work in this end-time. We are seeing signs everywhere of prophecy being fulfilled. We look forward to sharing with you the truth of the Scripture. "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." The TRUTH of God's Word must be understood. We must live what the Word teaches. We must come into obedience to God's ways and help others to find their way to HIM.

The registration fee of \$25 is due upon arrival. The tuition for the year is \$500. The first half is due prior to the Christmas vacation and the remainder paid prior to closing in May. The room and board is \$35.00 per week for on campus students. This will include washing and drying of clothes, room and food.

We know that you will benefit from the classes, and we look forward to working with you.

In His Service for Souls,

Pastor James Reynolds Sr.