



**THE WORD
BECAME FLESH**

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Around 700 B.C., a Jewish prophet named Isaiah made a prophecy.



"Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign;

Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son,



and shall call his name Immanuel."

Isa. 7:14

"Which being interpreted is, God with us." Matt. 1:23

700 years later, the angel, Gabriel, was sent from God into a city of Galilee named Nazareth. Luke 1:26



"To a virgin espoused (engaged) to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary."

Luke 1:27

And the angel said...

"Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God." Luke 1:30



"And behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb,
and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS." Luke 1:31

"He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest:

and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David:"

Luke 1:32

"And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever;

and of his kingdom there shall be no end." Luke 1:33



Then said Mary unto the angel,



"How shall this
be, seeing I know
not a man?"

"The Holy Ghost shall come upon
thee, and the power of the Highest
shall overshadow thee."^{**}

*Luke 1:34-35a

"... therefore also that holy thing
(One) which shall be born of thee
shall be called the Son of God."^{**}



*Luke 1:35b

This Holy One was indeed
someone special.

The Bible, God's Holy inspired Word, says:

"For there are three that bear record in heaven,

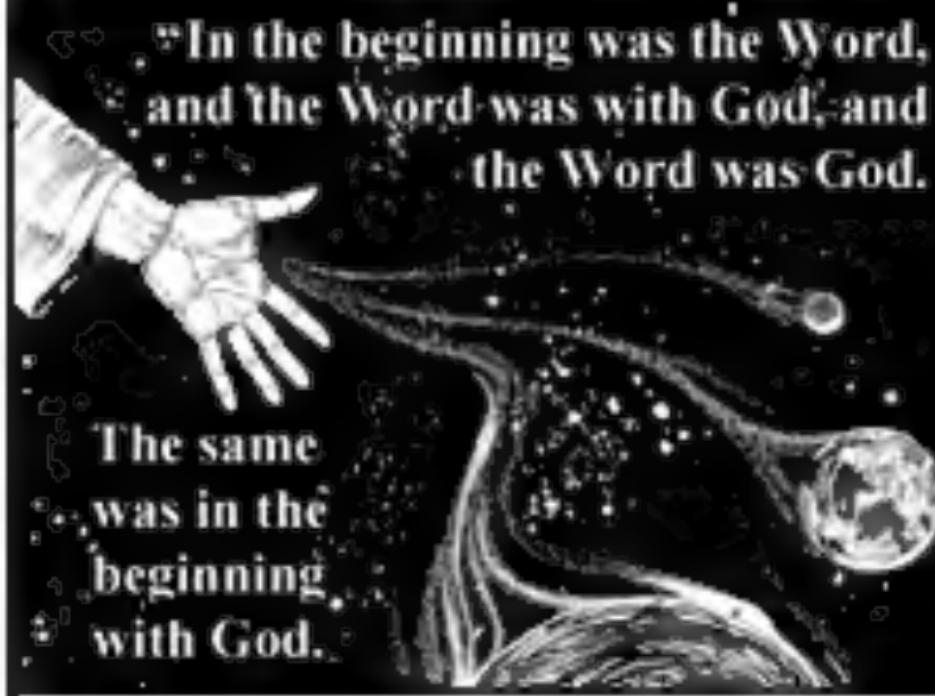


the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one."

*1 John 5:7

We discover that the Word is Jesus.

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.



The same was in the beginning with God.

"All things were made by him (Jesus): and without him was not anything made that was made." John 1:1-3



The prophet, Isaiah, described this Holy One 700 years before He was born.

"For unto us a child is born,

unto us a son is given:

and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace." Isaiah 9:6

God raised up another prophet named Micah. Around 730 B.C. he told us where this Holy One would be born.

"Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel."

"But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah,

yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting." Micah 5:2

Jesus said of Himself: "I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty." Revelation 1:8 (Also see Isaiah 44:6)



The location given for His birth was Bethlehem.

Joseph was upset over Mary being with child. It wasn't his.

The angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream saying:

"Fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife:

for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost."



*Matt. 1:20

"And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS:

for he shall save his people from their sins."

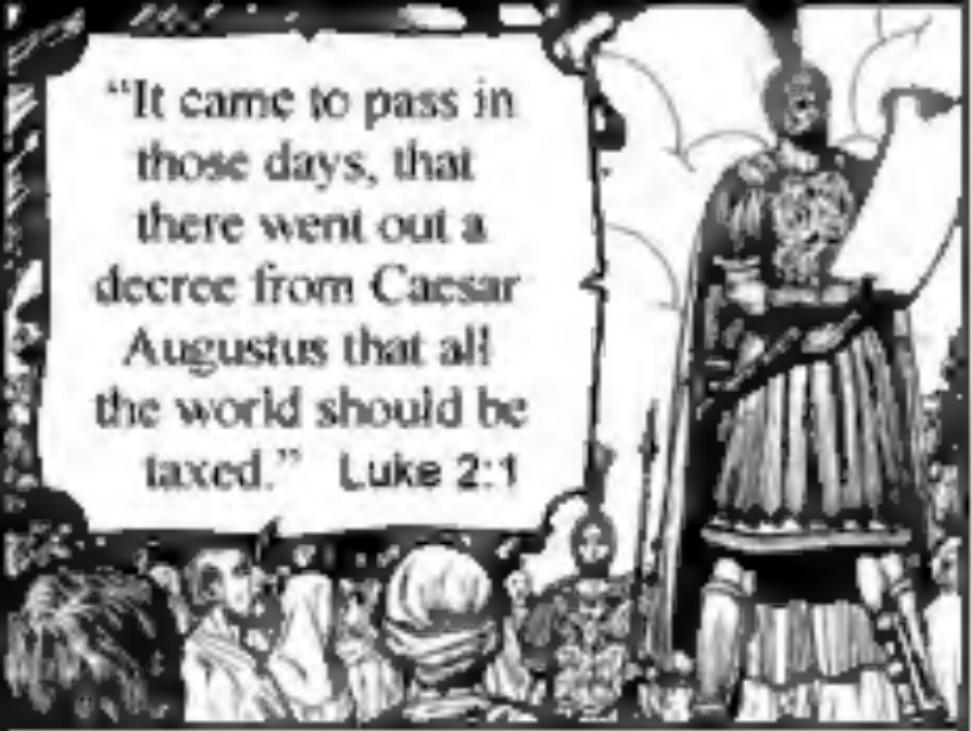
Matt. 1:21

The Bible says he "knew" her not till she had brought forth her firstborn son; and he called his name JESUS."

Matt. 1:25

*The marriage relationship. Gen. 4:1

"It came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be taxed." Luke 2:1



"And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem;..." Luke 2:4

"To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child." Luke 2:5



"And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered." Luke 2:6

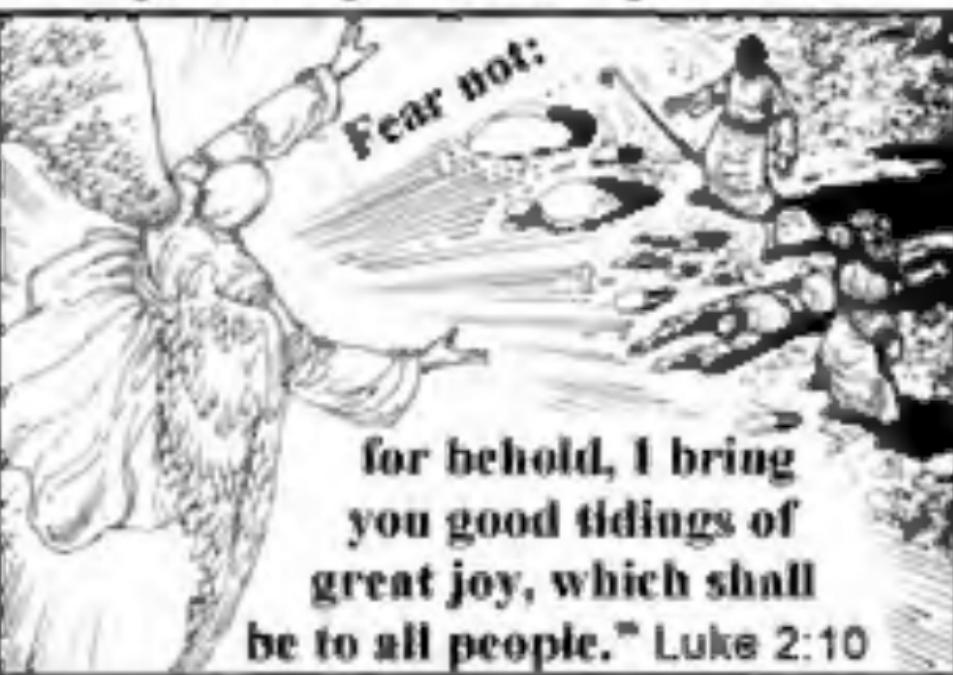
"And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them

in the inn." Luke 2:7



The Bible says: "He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not." John 1:10

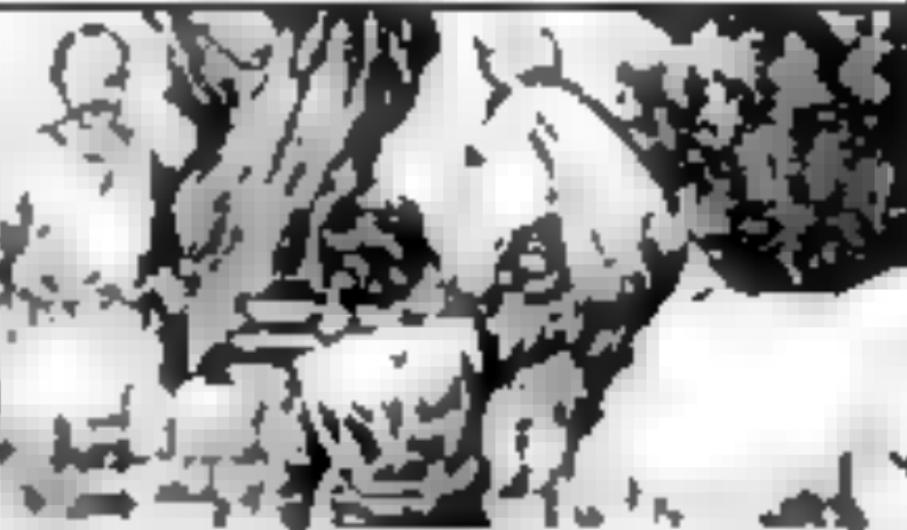
Shepherds in the field were visited by angels at night with the good news.



for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people." Luke 2:10

"For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord." Luke 2:11

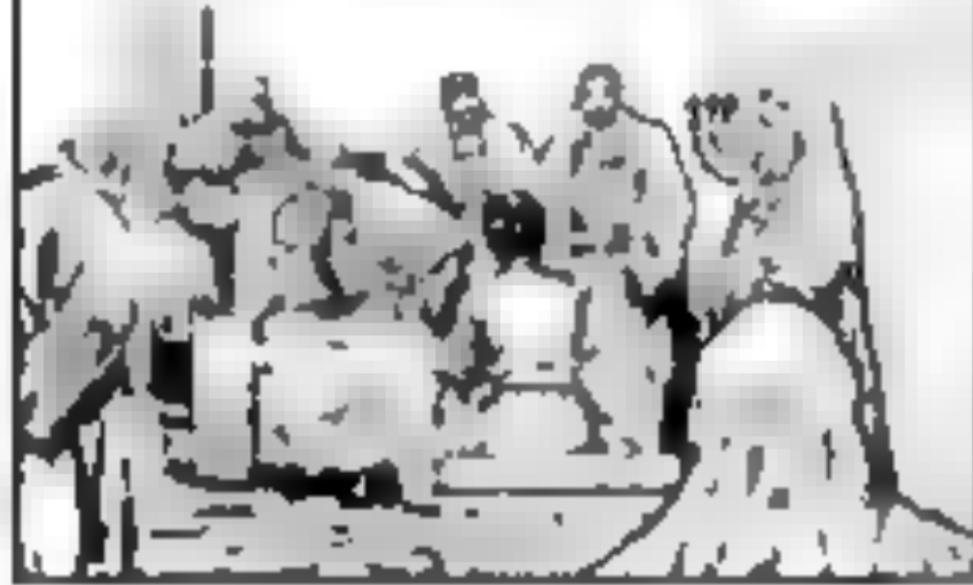
And the Word was made flesh
and dwelt among us John 1:14



The Bible says 'the child grew and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom; and the grace of God was upon him' Luke 2:40

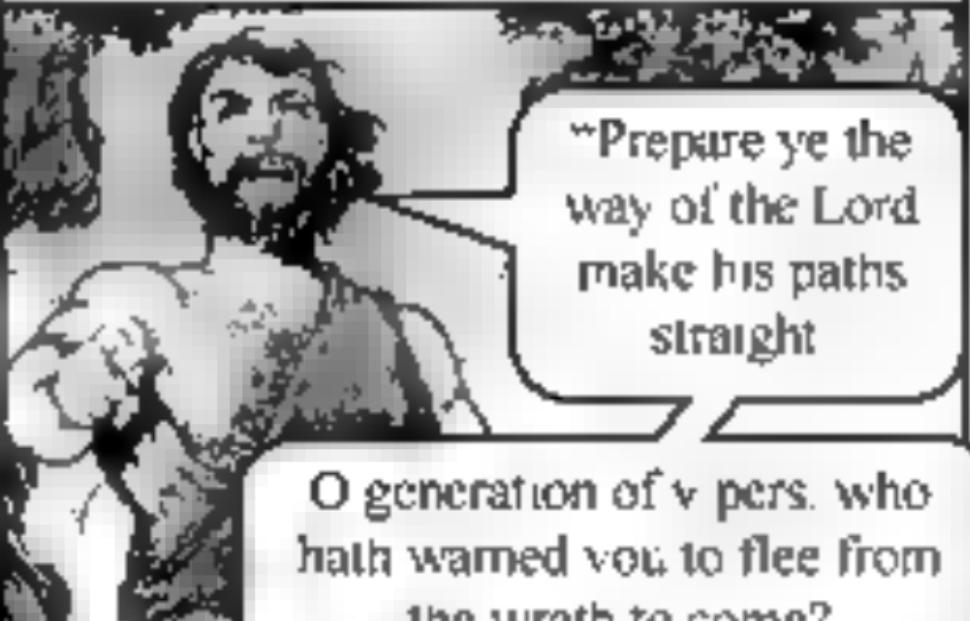
'It is he which was ordained of God to be the Judge of quick and dead' Acts 10:42

When Jesus was 12 years old He was found in the temple in Jerusalem sitting in the midst of the doctors both hearing and asking them questions



'And all that heard Him were amazed at His increase in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man' Luke 2:41-52

Then came John the Baptist, preaching



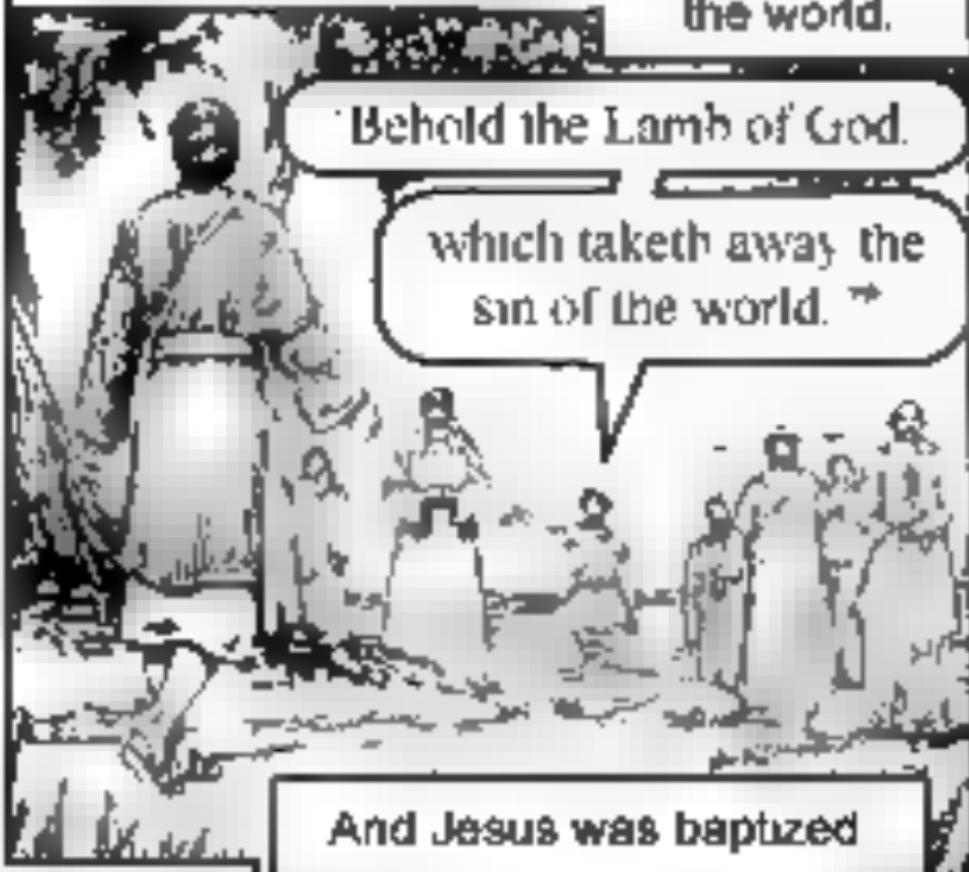
"Prepare ye the way of the Lord
make his paths straight

O generation of v pers. who
hath warned you to flee from
the wrath to come?"

Bring forth therefore fruits
worthy of repentance ***

Luke 3:4-8

John the Baptist introduced Jesus to
the world.



And Jesus was baptized

John 1:29

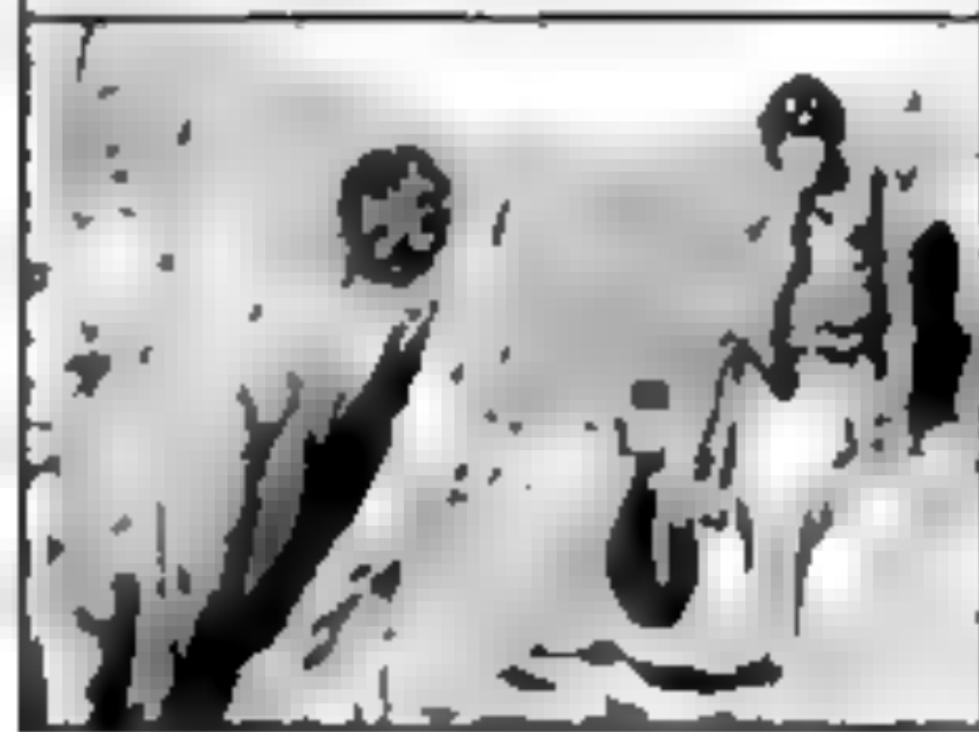
Then was Jesus led up of the Spirit into
the wilderness to be tempted of the devil



And when he had fasted forty days
and forty nights he was afterward
an hungered

Matthew 4:1-2

And he was there in the wilderness
forty days tempted of Satan



and was with the wild beasts and the
Devil ministered unto him

Mark 1:13

Now after that John was put in prison, Jesus came into Galilee preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God. Mark 1:14

"And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand."

repent ye and believe the gospel

He collected men to follow Him as His disciples and one of them was a devil (John 6:70)

Mark 1:15

Jesus taught the multitudes

"Ye are the light of the world"

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

Matthew 5:14-16

Jesus exposed the religious phonies

"Even so ye go outwardly appear righteous unto men but within ye are full of hypocrisy and iniquity " Matthew 23:28



"Ye serpents. ye generation of vipers how can ye escape the damnation of hell " Matt 23:33

Then from that day forth they took counsel together for to put him to death " John 11:53

He warned the people to fear God and not man.

"And fear not them which kill the body but are not able to kill the soul



but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell " Matt 10:28

"And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire " Rev 20:15

Jesus explained why He came to Earth



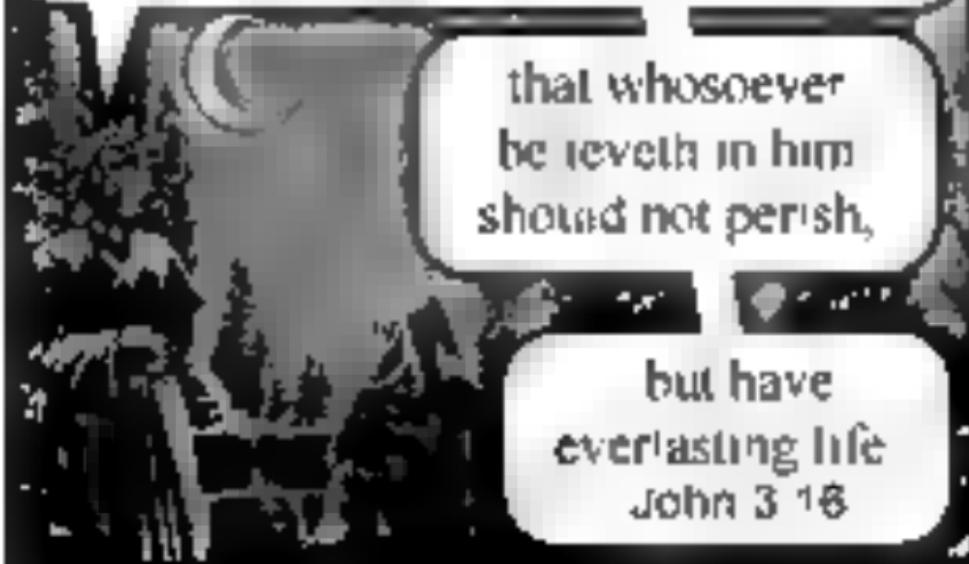
"For the Son of man
is come to seek and
to save that which
was lost " Luke 19:10

The Bible says

"As it is written. There s none
righteous, no, not one " Rom 3:10

For all have sinned, and come short
of the glory of God," Rom 3:23

For God so loved the world that he
gave his only begotten Son. (Jesus)

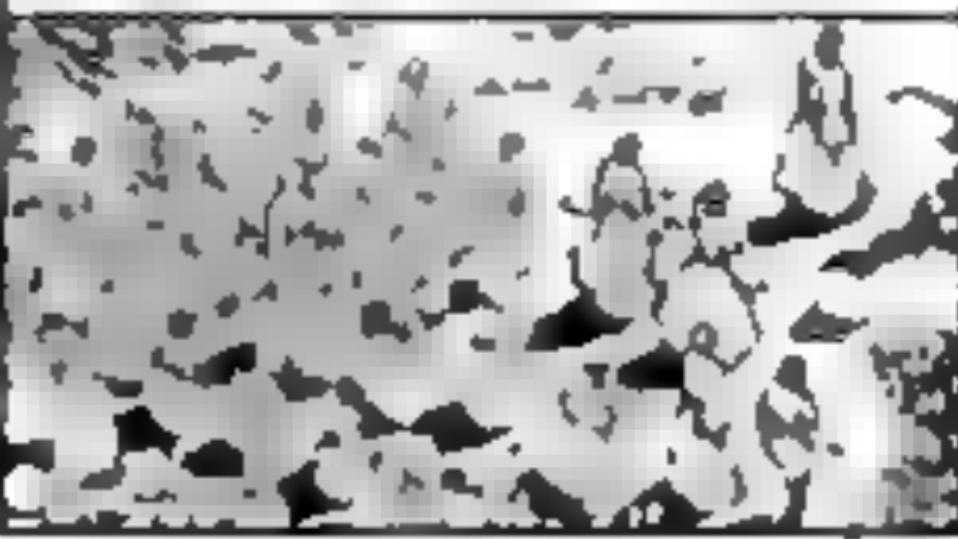


that whosoever
be leveth in him
should not perish,

but have
everlasting life
John 3:16

"For God sent not his Son into the
world to condemn the world: but
that the world through him might
be saved " John 3:17

great multitudes followed him
and he healed them all Matt 12:15b



Jesus said The blind receive their sight
and the lame walk the lepers are cleansed
and the deaf hear the dead are raised up
and the poor have the gospel preached to
them

Matthew 11:5

He raised Lazarus from the dead
He had been in the grave for four days



John 11:4b

Jesus said I am the resurrection and the
life he that believeth in me though he
were dead yet shall he live John 11:25

Jesus told his followers



"Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me."

In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself, that where I am, there ye may be also." John 14:1-3

His disciples asked: "what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world?" Matt 24:3

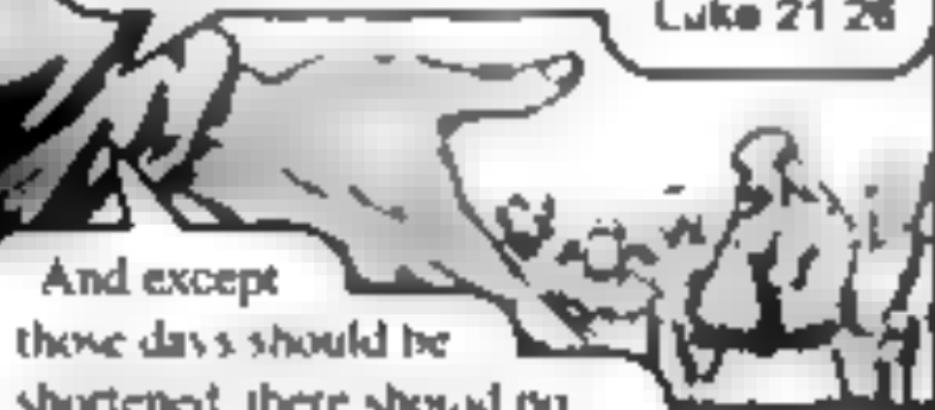
Jesus said:

- Ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars.
- There shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes.
- Iniquity (sin) shall abound.
- There shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders.

Multitudes will be deceived.
See Matthew 24

Men's hearts failing them for fear
and for looking after those things
which are coming on the earth

Luke 21:26

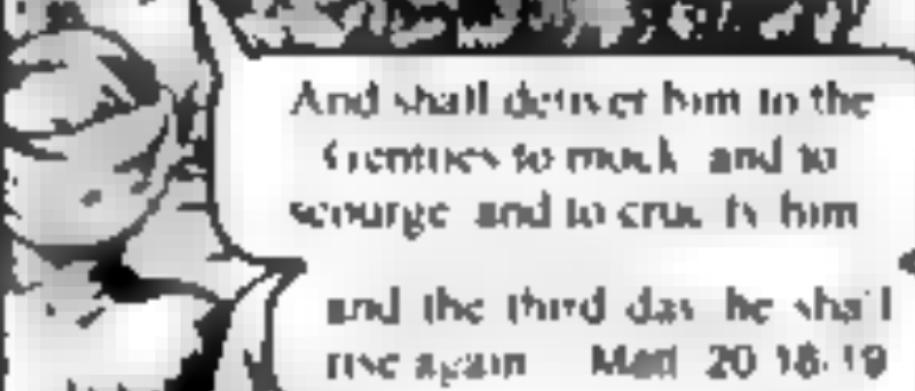


And except
those days should be
shortened there should no
flesh be saved but for the elect's sake
those days shall be shortened Matt 24:22

And then shall they see the Son of
man coming in a cloud with power
and great glory Luke 21:27

Jesus told His disciples what
must shortly take place

'Behold we go up to Jerusalem and
the Son of man shall be betrayed
unto the chief priests and
unto the scribes, and they
shall condemn him to death.



And shall deliver him to the
Gentiles to mock and to
scourge and to crucify him
and the third day he shall
rise again Matt 20:18-19

One of His disciples betrayed Him.

Judas betrayed
the Son of God
with a kiss.



"Then the band and the captain and officers of the Jews took Jesus, and bound him."

John 18:12

He was falsely accused, tortured and sentenced to death by crucifixion.

"But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." Rom. 5:8



"John 19:30

"...and without (the) shedding of blood (there) is no remission (for sins)." Heb. 9:22

"But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God;"

Heb. 10:12



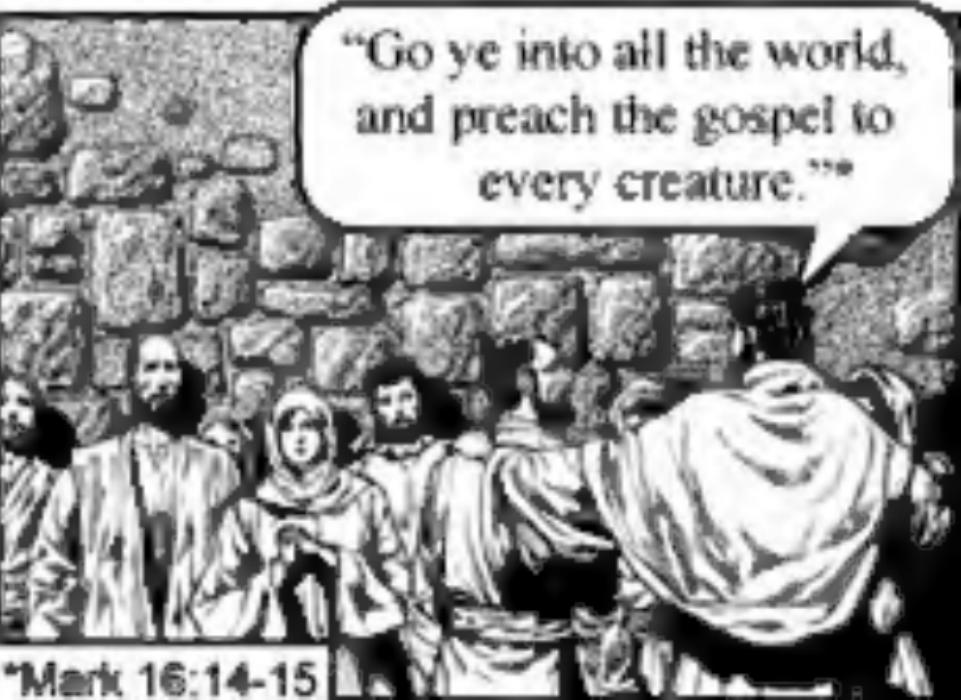
Then they took the body of Jesus and laid it in a sepulchre (tomb).

On the first day of the week, three women came to the sepulchre. But the body of Jesus was gone and angels told them this wonderful news...



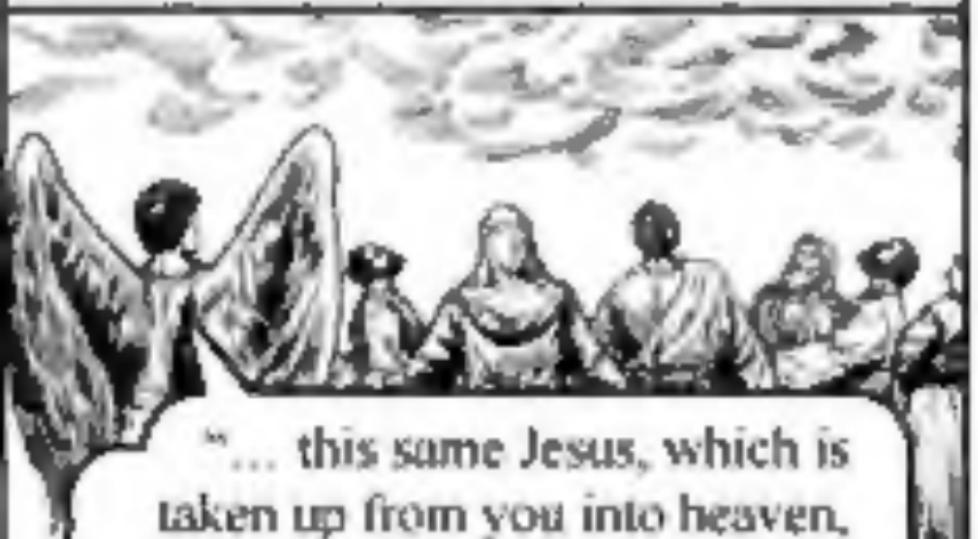
*Mark 16:6

"Afterward he appeared unto the eleven as they sat at meat, and upbraided them with their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they believed not them which had seen him after he was risen. And he said unto them,"



*Mark 16:14-15

As Jesus was taken into heaven, two angels said to His disciples:



"... this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven." Acts 1:11

Jesus said:

"Surely I come quickly." Rev. 22:20

Jesus can come at any moment.

"Behold he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him..." Rev. 1:7



"... at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth. And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father." Phil. 2:10-11

*See also Isaiah 45:21-23.

THE BIBLE SAYS THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY TO HEAVEN!

Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life; no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." John 14:6

NOBODY ELSE CAN SAVE YOU. TRUST JESUS TODAY!

"That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved." Rom. 10:9

1. Admit you are a sinner. See Romans 3:10
2. Be willing to turn from sin (repent). See Acts 17:30
3. Believe that Jesus Christ died for you, was buried and rose from the dead. See Rom. 10:9-10
4. Through prayer, invite Jesus into your heart to become your personal Saviour. See Rom. 10:13

WHAT TO PRAY

Dear God, I am a sinner and need forgiveness. I believe that Jesus Christ shed His precious blood and died for my sin. I am willing to turn from sin. I now invite Christ to come into my heart as my personal Saviour.

If you trusted Jesus as your Saviour, you have just begun a wonderful new life with Him. Now:

1. Read your Bible (KJV) every day to get to know Jesus Christ better.
2. Talk to God in prayer every day.
3. Be baptized, worship, fellowship, and serve with other Christians in a church where Christ is preached and the Bible is the final authority.
4. Tell others about Jesus Christ.

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