

### The hope of the nations

#### God's plan of salvation from Genesis to Revelation

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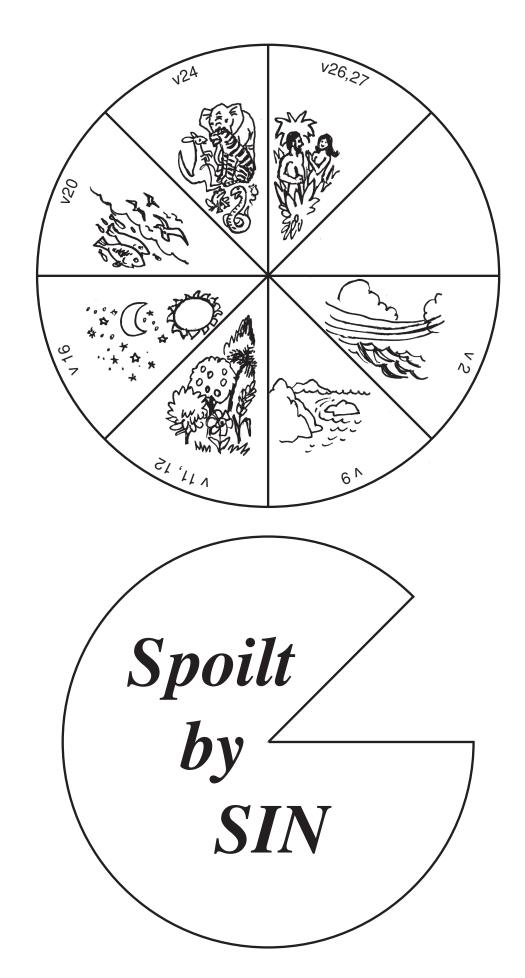
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Bible focus		
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Activities		
Bringing it together	& prayer	
Notes for next week:		

Where	e would you most like to go for a holiday and why?
If yo	ou could have any pet at all, what would it be and why would you choose it?
	What is your favourite memory?
If y	you could surprise your family with one present, what would it be?
If	you were the class teacher at school for a day, what are some things you would do?
	What did you have for breakfast? What do you wish you had for breakfast?
	If you could change your name, would you? What new name would you choose?
	What is your favourite smell?
	What is your favourite colour?
\	Which famous person would you like to meet? What would you ask them?
Wha	at is one thing you wish you were really good at?
	Spell your middle name backwards.
	What scares you most?
	What do you like doing most:
	reading, watching a film or playing sport?
Wha	at is one question you would like God to answer?
	What is one thing you would like God to do?

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#### GENESIS 11 v 1-9 (CEV)

At first everyone spoke the same language, but after some of them moved from the east and settled in Babylonia, they said:

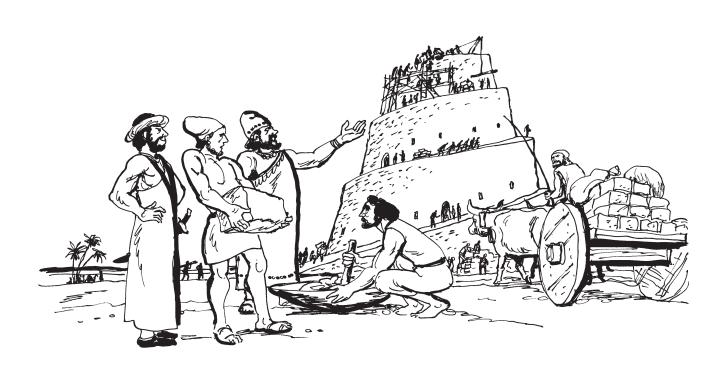
'Let's build a city with a tower that reaches to the sky!
We'll use hard bricks and tar instead of stone and mortar.
We'll become famous, and we won't be scattered all over the world.'

But when the Lord came down to look at the city and the tower, he said:

'These people are working together because they all speak the same language. This is just the beginning. Soon they will be able to do anything they want.

Come on! Let's go down and confuse them by making them speak different languages – then they won't be able to understand each other.'

So the people had to stop building the city, because the Lord confused their language and scattered them all over the earth. That's how the city of Babel got its name.



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#### Abraham rap

#### **Voice 1 (Chorus)**

Land, kids, blessings Land, kids, blessings God promised Abe Land, kids, blessings

#### Voice 2 (God)

Abe, Abe
Listen to me
I've got a plan
And you're the key

#### Voice 1 (Chorus)

Land, kids, blessings Land, kids, blessings God promised Abe Land, kids, blessings

#### Voice 2 (God)

Go to the land I'll show to you I'll bless you well Watch what I do!

#### **Voice 1 (Chorus)**

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#### Voice 3 (Abraham)

My bags are packed The tents put away I'll obey You Lord I'll do as You say

#### Voice 1 (Chorus)

Land, kids, blessings Land, kids, blessings God promised Abe Land, kids, blessings

#### Voice 3 (Abraham)

I'll worship God
I'll follow Him
I don't know what will
happen
I'll leave that to Him!

#### Voice 1 (Chorus)

Land, kids, blessings Land, kids, blessings God promised Abe Land, kids, blessings

#### **ABRAHAM**

Abraham's descendants become a nation

The nation is called Israel

They live in the land of Canaan

They have kings to rule them

The kings disobey God

The people disobey God

The sin problem is still there

#### **ISAIAH**

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#### Isaiah 2 v 1-5

1. This is the message that was given about Judah and Jerusalem:

- 2. In the future, the with the Lord's temple will be the highest of all. It will reach above the hills; every nation will -b to it.
- 3. Many people will come and say,

  'Let's go to the mountain of the -sw +L God of Jacob
  and worship in His temple.' The -sw +L will teach us

  His law from Jerusalem, and we will obey Him.
- 4. He will settle arguments between nations. They will pound their +s and their spears into rakes and +s; they will never make war or attack 1 another.
- 5. People of Israel, let's live by the of the -sw +L.

#### Isaiah 49 v 6

6. Now the Lord says to me,
'It isn't enough for **u** to **b** merely my servant. **u** must do
more than lead back survivors from the tribes of Israel. I have
placed **u** here as a light for other nations; **u** must take my
saving power to every **1** on earth.'

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#### Isaiah 2 v 1-5

- 1. This is the message that I was given about Judah and Jerusalem:
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- 3. Many people will come and say, 'Let's go to the mountain of the Lord God of Jacob and worship in His temple.' The Lord will teach us His law from Jerusalem, and we will obey Him.
- 4. He will settle arguments between nations. They will pound their swords and their spears into rakes and shovels; they will never make war or attack one another.
- 5. People of Israel, let's live by the light of the Lord.

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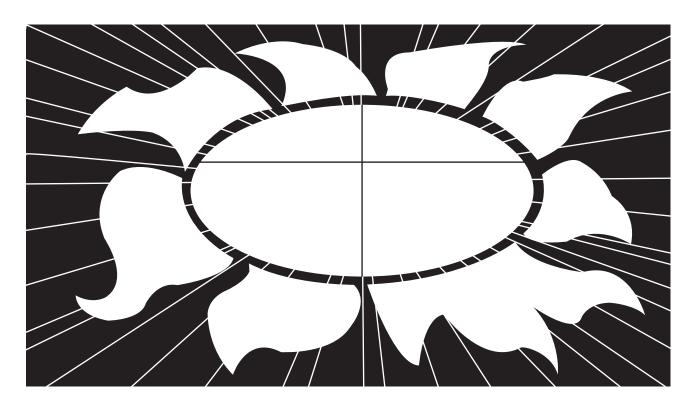
6. Now the Lord says to me,

'It isn't enough for you to be merely my servant. You must do more than lead back survivors from the tribes of Israel. I have placed you here as a light for other nations; you must take my saving power to everyone on earth.'

## Jesus said,

# 'lam the light for the world!'

John 8 v 12 (CEV)



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## God's promised King will rule forever

He blesses and protects everyone who runs to Him.

PSALM 2 v 1 2 (CEV)

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## Digging deeper – Bible search

Look up the verses and fill in the missing words that explain how Jesus fulfilled God's promises about the coming King.

Matthew 1 v 1		
Jesus came from the	of	
and also from the	of	
Matthew 1 v 18  Jesus is,	born by the power of the	
Matthew 1 v 21	, 1	
		_ from
Matthew 3 v 17 Jesus is	·	
		Everyone will agree:
Hebrews 7 v 25 He is		ome to God.
Revelation 5 v 5 Jesus has	·	
Revelation 5 v 9 With his blood, Jesus has b	oought for God	from every,
,	, and	·

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#### Drama—Interview with Isaiah

**Isaiah:** (Walks in with a walking stick. Hobbles to chair.) Good morning everyone. Aah—it is so good to

sit down at last. That time-travelling donkey was very uncomfortable.

**Interviewer:** Did you say a 'time-travelling donkey'?

**Isaiah:** Yes, silly little thing hadn't been ridden for ages. Lucky I got here safe and sound!

**Interviewer:** Yes—lucky you did! Um, who did you say...

**Isaiah:** By the way, where am I exactly? (Looks around.) Funny building this. What kind of a place is it?

**Interviewer:** Well, you're at (insert name of town) and this is our hall. We meet here every Sunday. We learn

from God's Word.

**Isaiah:** Well, that's a good idea! By the way, my name is Isaiah—the prophet Isaiah. Pleased to meet

you. I wouldn't mind a little bit of goat stew and a drop of wine—is there any around here?

**Interviewer:** Aah, no. I'm terribly sorry. We're all out of goat stew today. And the red wine, well, um...

**Isaiah:** A pity. Never mind. What did you want to ask me about?

**Interviewer:** Well, now that you're here, we were going to read from your book this morning—chapter 53 as

a matter of fact.

**Isaiah:** Chapter 53, eh. Just remind me how that goes. It's been a while since I wrote it.

**Interviewer:** Verses 4–6 go like this.

**Reader:** 'He suffered and endured great pain for us,

but we thought his suffering was punishment from God.

He was wounded and crushed because of our sins;

by taking our punishment, he made us completely well.

All of us were like sheep that had wandered off.

We had each gone our own way,

but the Lord gave him

the punishment we deserved.'

**Isaiah:** Oh, yes. I remember that bit. It just blew my mind the first time I heard it.

**Interviewer:** But what does it mean?

**Isaiah:** It's about a special servant who was to come. This servant would finally do something about the

biggest problem God's people ever had.

**Interviewer:** Was that the Philistines? Or maybe Queen Jezebel? Or King Ahaz?

**Isaiah:** No. This problem was much worse than they ever were!

**Interviewer:** What was their biggest problem?

**Isaiah:** Their biggest problem was sin. Most of the kings were terrible and just didn't obey God. Most of

the people were the same. The people of God just kept sinning against Him.

**Interviewer:** What sort of things did they do?

**Isaiah:** I don't even want to tell you how bad it was! They broke God's laws. They worshipped idols.

They lied and cheated each other. They let the poor suffer. They wouldn't listen to God's

messengers. It was terrible!

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**Interviewer:** So, how could God fix this problem?

**Isaiah:** Aah—that's the amazing part. Read on.

**Reader:** 'The Lord decided his servant would suffer as a sacrifice

to take away the sin and guilt of others.'

**Isaiah:** Yes! That's the part I was thinking of. This servant would take the punishment that the people

deserved. Read the next bit.

**Reader:** 'Although he is innocent, he will take the punishment for the sins of others,

so that many of them will no longer be guilty."

**Interviewer:** So one person, even though he didn't deserve it, would suffer and die for the sin of others? And

then the guilty ones would no longer be guilty?

**Isaiah:** Yes. You've got it. Doesn't seem fair, does it?

Interviewer: Not really.

**Isaiah:** Well, it might not be fair on the innocent servant, but it's very good for the rest of us! Uh oh!

**Interviewer:** What's wrong?

**Sound FX:** ('Ee aw' donkey sounds off-stage.)

**Isaiah:** I can hear that time-travelling donkey again! I think I have to leave. You know, I really feel like

some goat stew! If you ever visit me, I'll serve you a big bowl of goat stew.

**Interviewer:** Thanks for the invitation. Maybe we'll all drop in some time. Bye Isaiah.

**Isaiah:** Bye. (Voice trails off as he leaves.)

#### Drama—Interview with Matthew

**Sound FX:** ('Ee aw' donkey sounds off-stage.)

Matthew: (Walks in, rubbing his back and stretching.) That stupid donkey! We landed in the middle of the

Antarctic by mistake. I'd love a hot drink of goat's milk—I realise you probably haven't got wine as there is a shortage in these parts. And some lentils on flat bread with a touch of spice.

**Interviewer:** Well, I suppose we could make a pot of tea...

Matthew: Pot of what? I think I'll pass, thanks. Maybe water?

**Helper:** (Child brings a glass of water.)

**Matthew:** What's this stuff? See-through pottery! How amazing! By the way, Matthew's the name. I'm an

ex-tax collector and a bit of a writer. I wrote a biography once—a famous person He was too!

**Interviewer:** He's still famous! You wrote about Jesus, didn't you?

**Matthew:** Yes, I did. I knew Him myself. He was a close friend of mine—a really good bloke.

**Interviewer:** We were just about to read some of your book. Maybe you could help us?

**Matthew:** Go right ahead. Read it and ask anything you want.

**Reader:** 'The chief priests, the leaders, and the teachers of the Law of Moses also made fun of Jesus.

They said, "He saved others, but he can't save himself. If he is the king of Israel, he should come

down from the cross! Then we will believe him."

**Matthew:** (Puts head down onto one hand. Looks sad and closes eyes.)

**Reader:** "He trusted God, so let God save him, if he wants to. He even said he was God's Son." The two

criminals also said cruel things to Jesus.'

Matthew: I remember that day. I was so afraid. I was so confused. How could Jesus let them do such

terrible things to Him? How could all of our dreams end like this—with His death on a cross? He

had never done a thing wrong! He didn't deserve it!

**Interviewer:** Let's hear the next part.

**Reader:** 'At midday the sky turned dark and stayed that way until three o'clock. Then about that time

Jesus shouted, "My God, my God, why have you deserted me?"

'Some of the people standing there heard Jesus and said, "He's calling for Elijah." One of them at once ran and grabbed a sponge. He soaked it in wine, then put it on a stick and held it up to Jesus.

'Others said, "Wait! Let's see if Elijah will come and save him." Once again Jesus shouted, and

then he died.'

Matthew: It was such a terrible thing, Jesus dying. But later we understood why He had done it. He did it

to fulfil God's promise.

**Interviewer:** I think that's the promise we read about before—from Isaiah's book.

**Matthew:** Yes. That's the one. The promise was that a servant would come and die for the sins of others.

That's just what Jesus did on the cross that day. He kept God's promise. (Matthew sits up and

brightens.) It was worth it, you know!

**Interviewer:** What do you mean?

**Matthew:** Because of Jesus' death, we can be forgiven for our sin. He took our punishment.

Uh oh! There's that donkey.

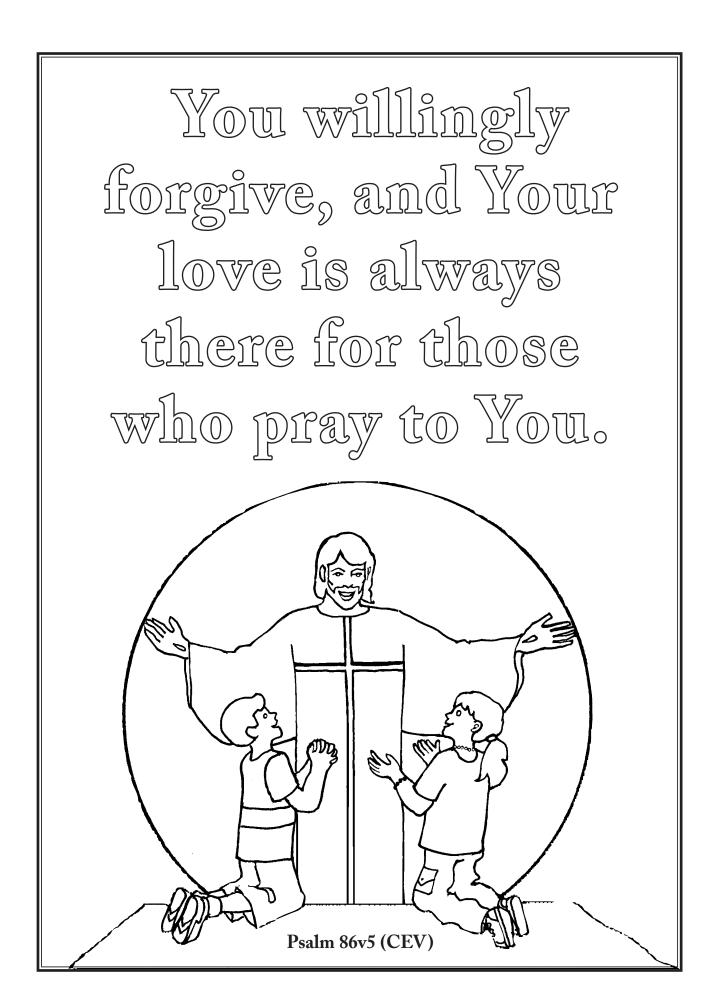
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**Interviewer:** You know I'd really like to see that time-travelling donkey! Maybe we could take a ride one day?

**Matthew:** I don't think you'd enjoy it as much as you think you would. Bye for now.

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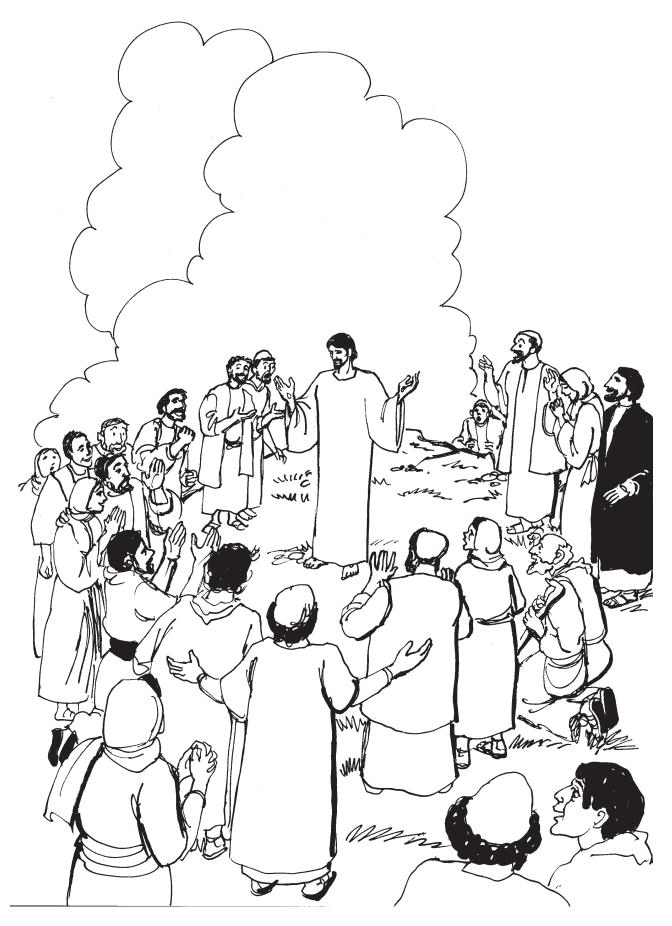
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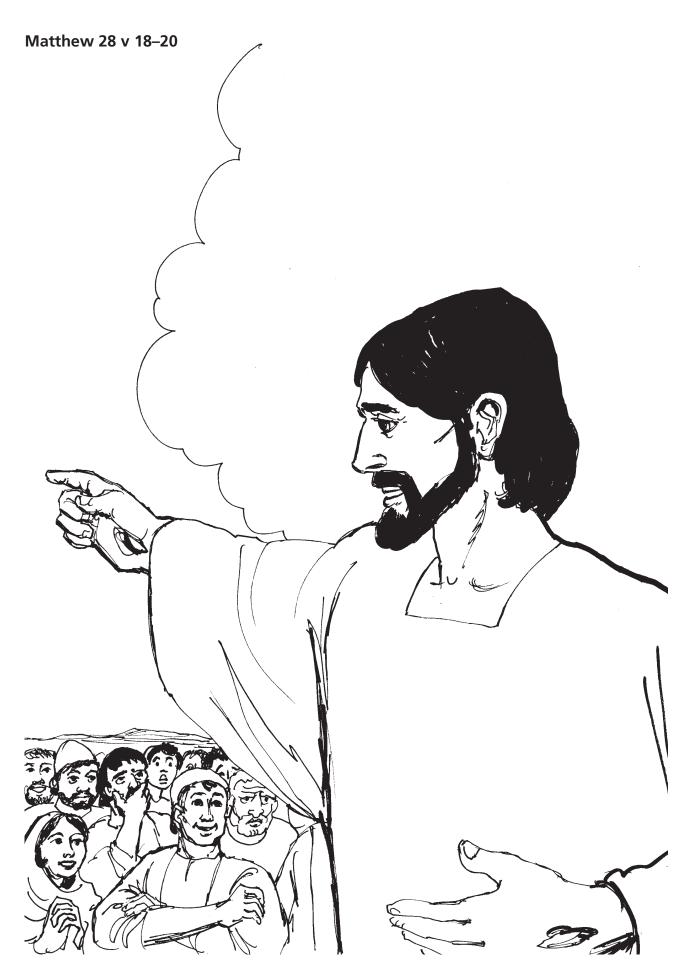
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#### Acts 1 v 9-10a





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#### God's great plan quiz

- 1. How did sin come to spoil God's good creation?
- 2. Where do we see what sin has done in our world today?
- 3. How did the people of Babylonia show they were proudly going their own way?
- 4. What did God do to stop their plans?
- 5. What was God's command to Abraham?
- 6. What did God promise Abraham?
- 7. What plans did God have for people of other nations?
- 8. What promise did God make to King David?
- 9. What kind of king did God promise to send?
- 10. Isaiah told the people that God would send a special servant. What would the special servant do for God's people?
- 11. Who was the special servant?
- 12. Who was the promised King?
- 13. What did Jesus do to show He was the King and the special servant?
- 14. After He came back to life, what command did Jesus give His disciples?
- 15. Where did Jesus go?
- 16. What did the angels promise about Jesus?
- 17. What did Jesus send to His disciples?
- 18. What happened on the day the Spirit came on the disciples?
- 19. How does the Spirit help God's people today?
- 20. Finish the words of this memory verse: You willingly forgive, and your love is...

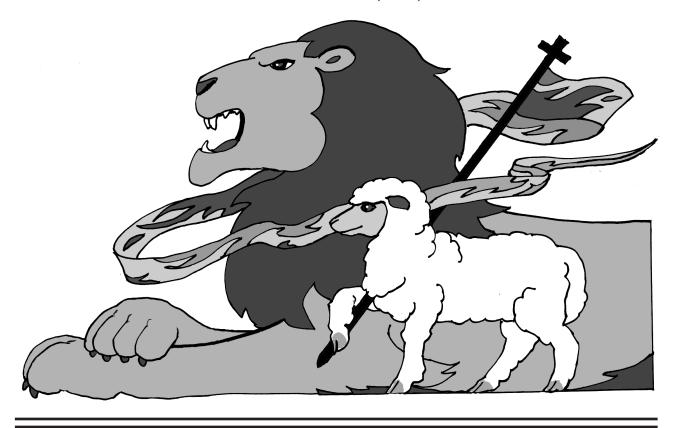
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## Our God,

who sits upon the throne, has the power to save His people, and so does the Lamb.

Revelation 7 v 10 (CEV)

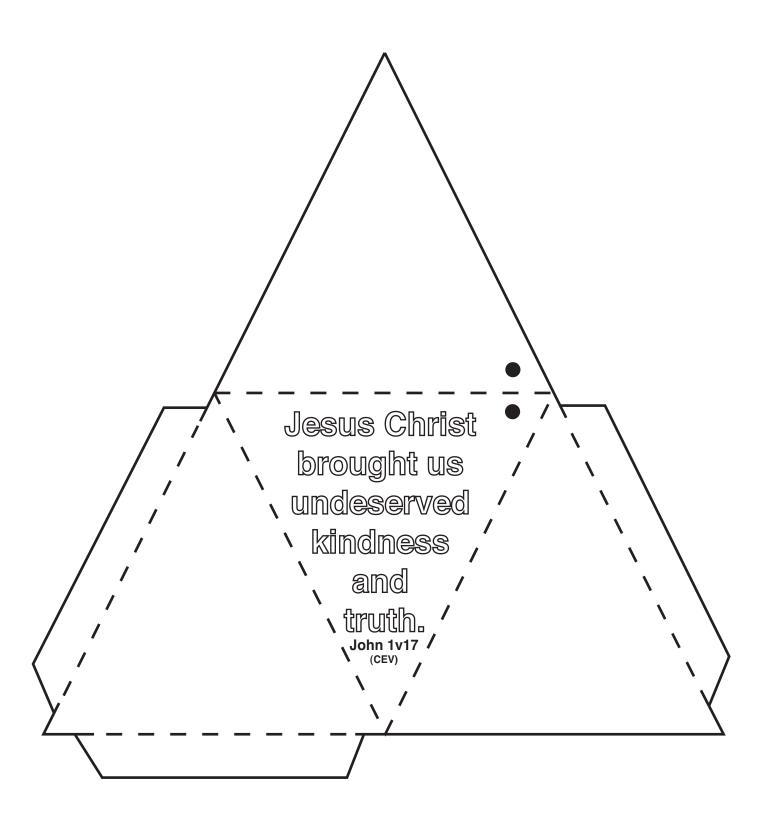


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The	G	od and	truly God	d.
The became				
his true g	lory, the glory	of the only S	Son of the F	ather.
From him all the kindr to us.	ness and all the	e truth of Go	od have com	16
John spoke about him come! He i before I born.'	is greater than			
Because of all that the after another.	e Son is, h	nave been g	iven one ble	ssing
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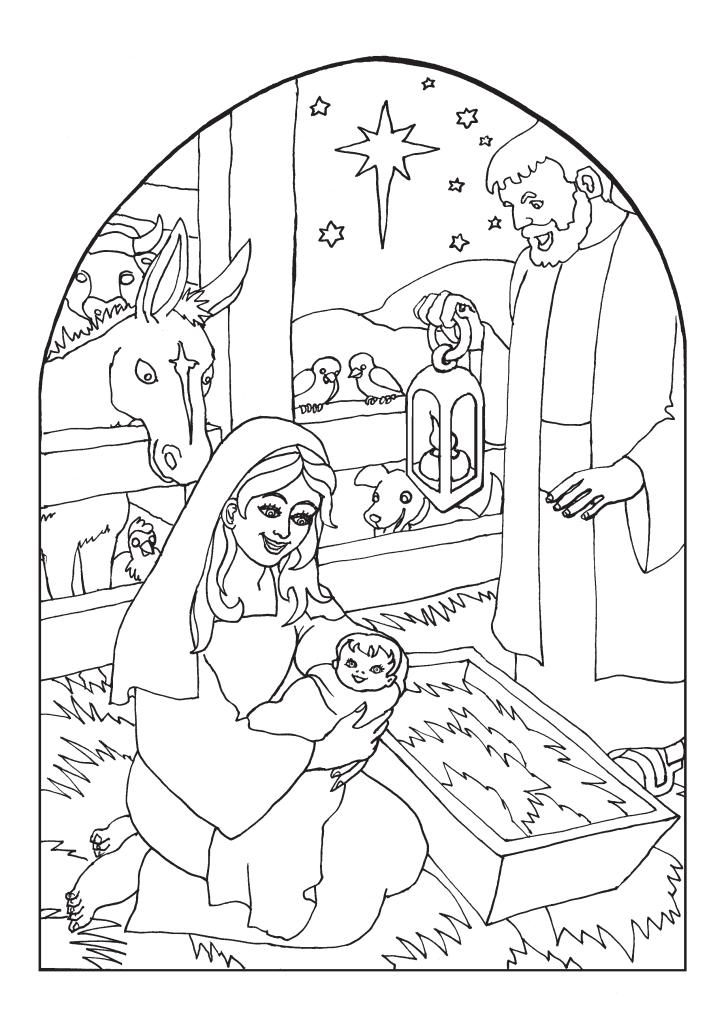
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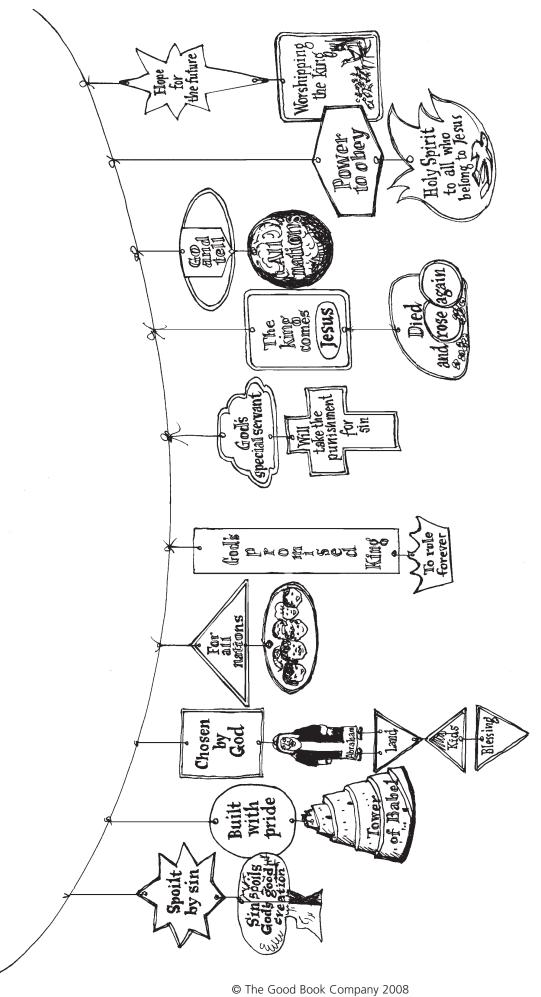
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CHRISTMAS JESUS ANGELS MARY JOSEPH SHEPHERDS MANGER ANIMALS INN SHED HAY WRAPPED DONKEY
BETHLEHEM
STAR
WISE MEN
SHEEP
GLORY



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