

# Merry Christmas

*The Greatest Story Ever Told*  
*Tell me the Old Old Story*

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# The First Advent of Christ In Bible Prophecy

Scotfield's First Advent Chain of 80 OT Verses

These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me. ... 46 Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day: And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. Luke 24:44,46



# Bethlehem Ephratah

Birthplace of our Lord Jesus Christ  
Out of an ash heap,... fruitfulness

Churches NOT Preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ, Church of the Nativity, Church of Saint Catherine, Chapel of the Shepherd's Field, Church of the Shepherds, Christmas Lutheran Church, Our Lady of Fatima Church, Milk Gratto Church, Saint Charbel Church and Covenant




Micah 5:2 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.



Luke 2:8 And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

Shepherds announce  
The Lamb of God





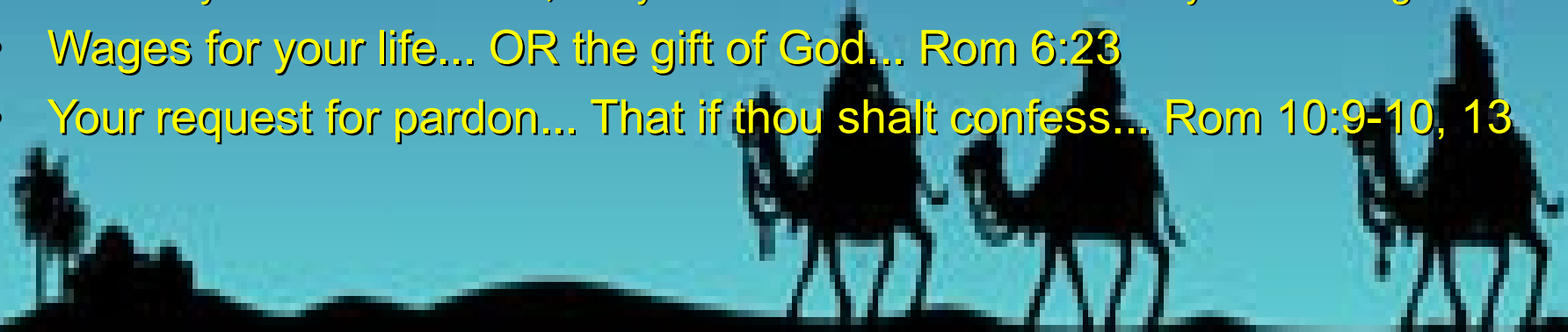
What the wise men knew.  
What the wise men saw.  
What the wise men did.

Matthew 2:2 contains the outline:  
What They Knew: the King of the Jews – Messiah (in Greek – *the Christ*)  
What They Saw: his star in the east  
What They Did: come to worship him.

# Belief in the Messiah

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Genesis 3:15 And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

The seed of woman, the "it" that bruises Satan's head, is the virgin born Messiah.

Psalms 2:7 I will declare the decree: the LORD hath said unto me (Messiah), Thou art my Son; this day have I begotten thee.

Isaiah 7:14 Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.

In the KJB virgin means virgin.

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Isaiah 9:6-7 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.

Wonderful  
Counsellor  
The mighty God  
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7 Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.



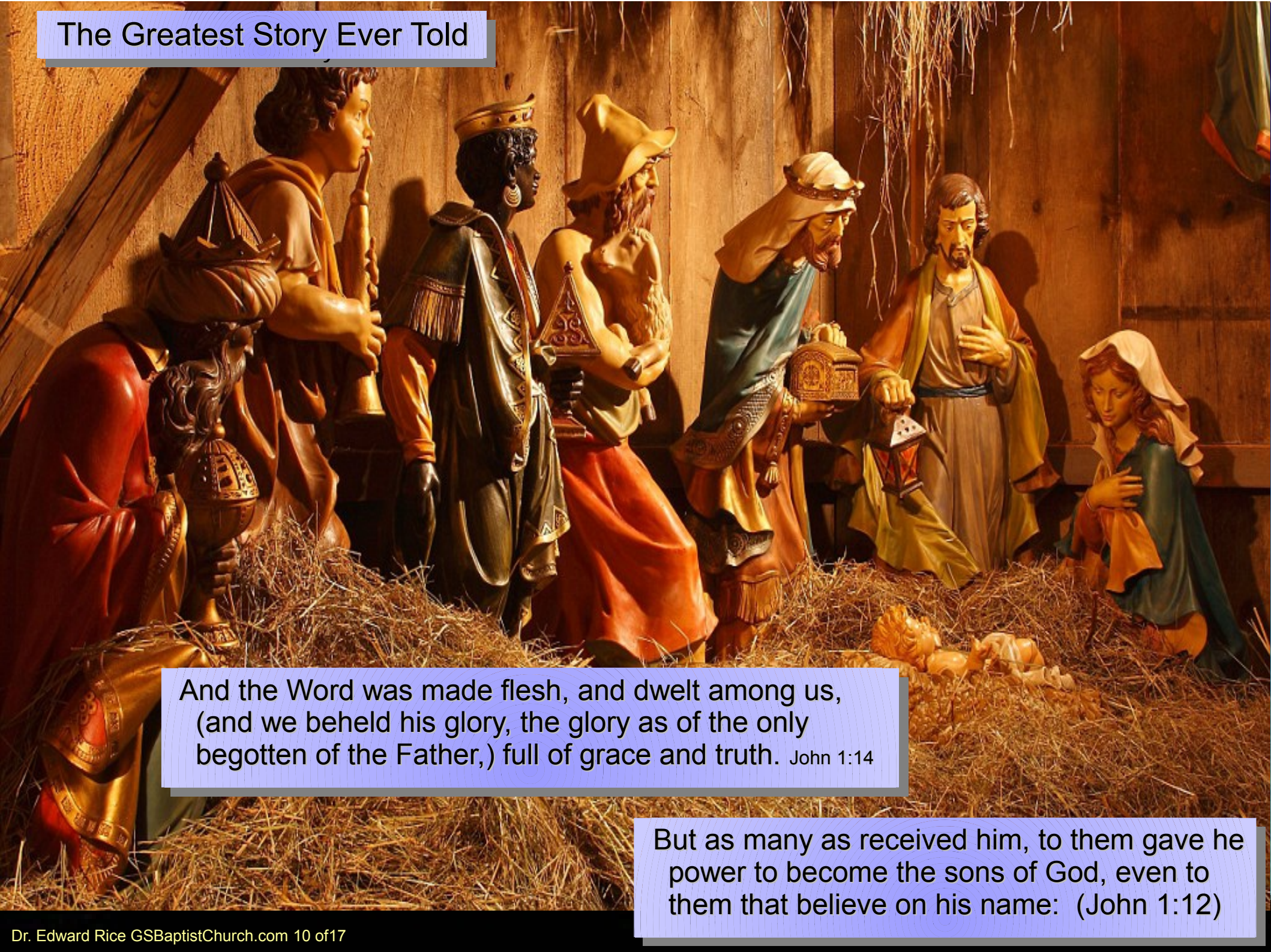
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Be careful here to know the TRUTH of the Bible:  
All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works. 2Tim 3:16-17

These are not just stories, these are the precious infallible, inerrant, verbally inspired Words of God.



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And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us,  
(and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only  
begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth. John 1:14

But as many as received him, to them gave he  
power to become the sons of God, even to  
them that believe on his name: (John 1:12)

## The Greatest Gift Ever Given

For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Romans 6:23

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For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Eph 2:8

Jesus said to the woman at the well: If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink; thou wouldest have asked of him, and he would have given thee living water. John 4:10

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

I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep. I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine. John 10:11,14

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. Isaiah 53:6



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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



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That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death; Phil 3:10

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

Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Matt 28:18-19

Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation; 2Cor 5:17-18

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Christ Died for our sin.

Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. Mark 16:15

I wish that my neighbor knew as much about Messiah:

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