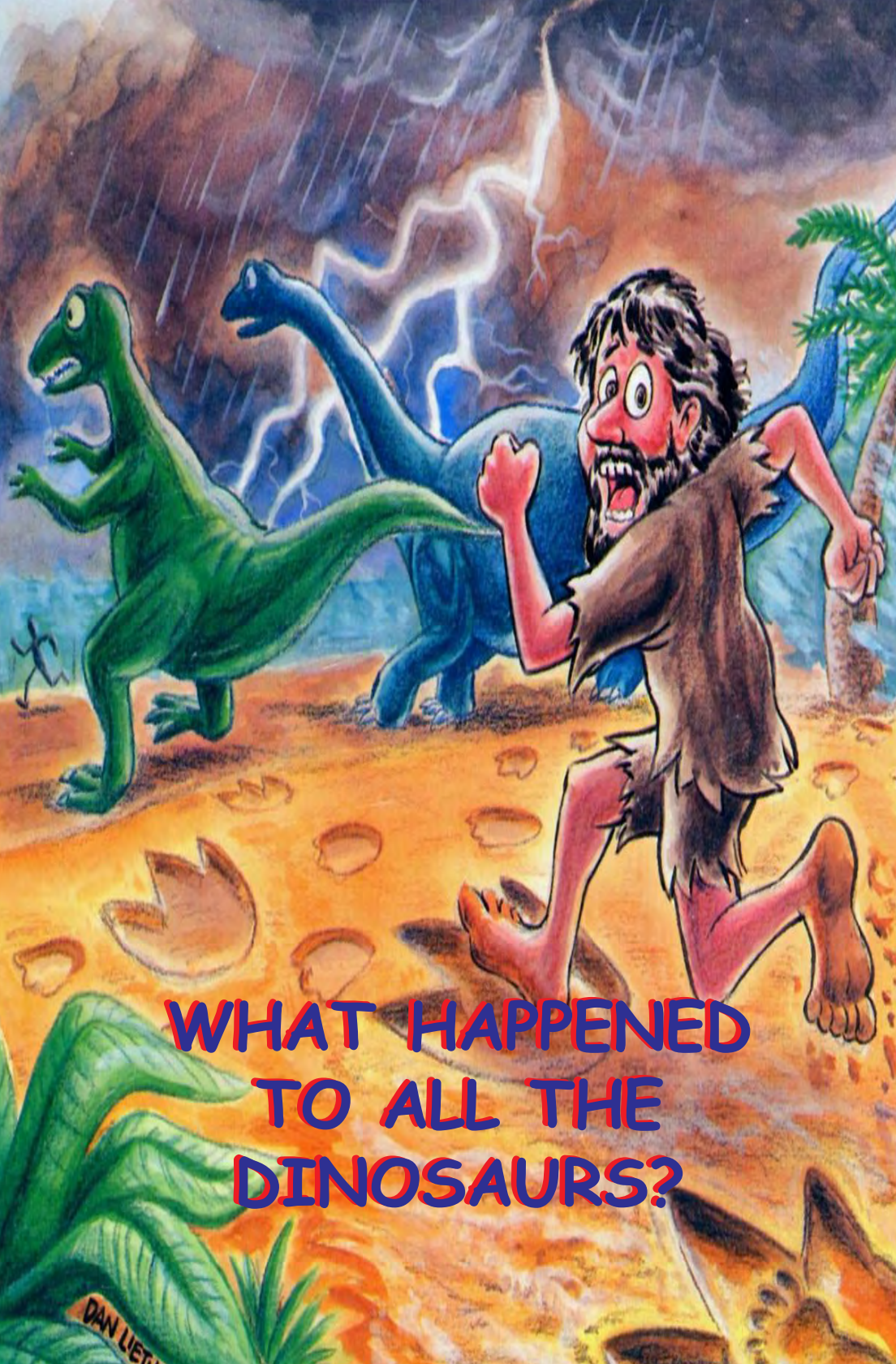

WHAT HAPPENED
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Some people think that all the dinosaurs were killed by giant meteorites that crashed into the earth 65 million years ago.





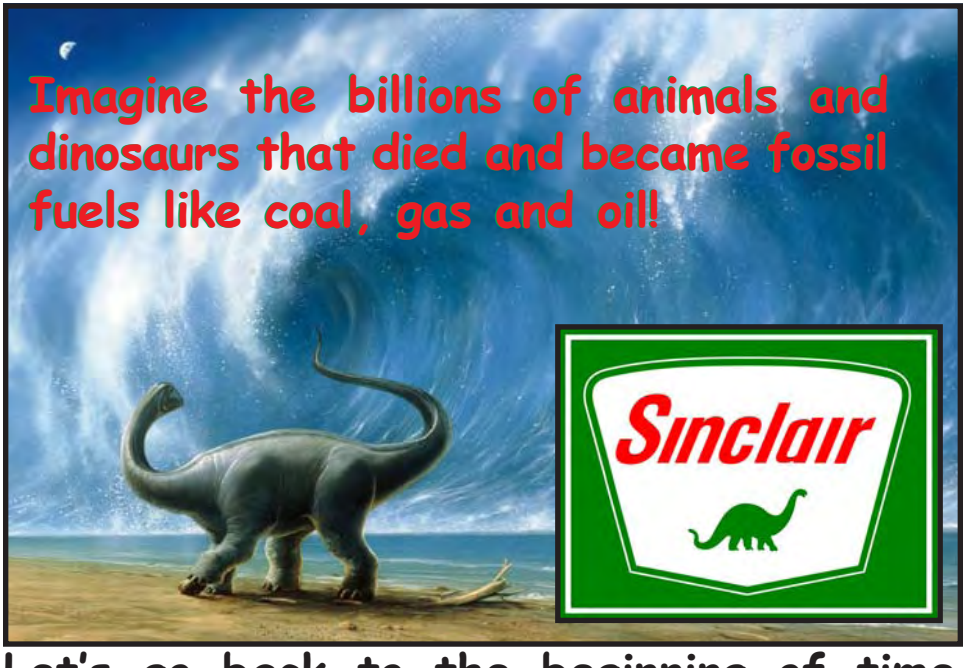
Others think that huge volcanoes must have killed all the dinosaurs millions of years ago.



But many scientists now believe there is a much better explanation:



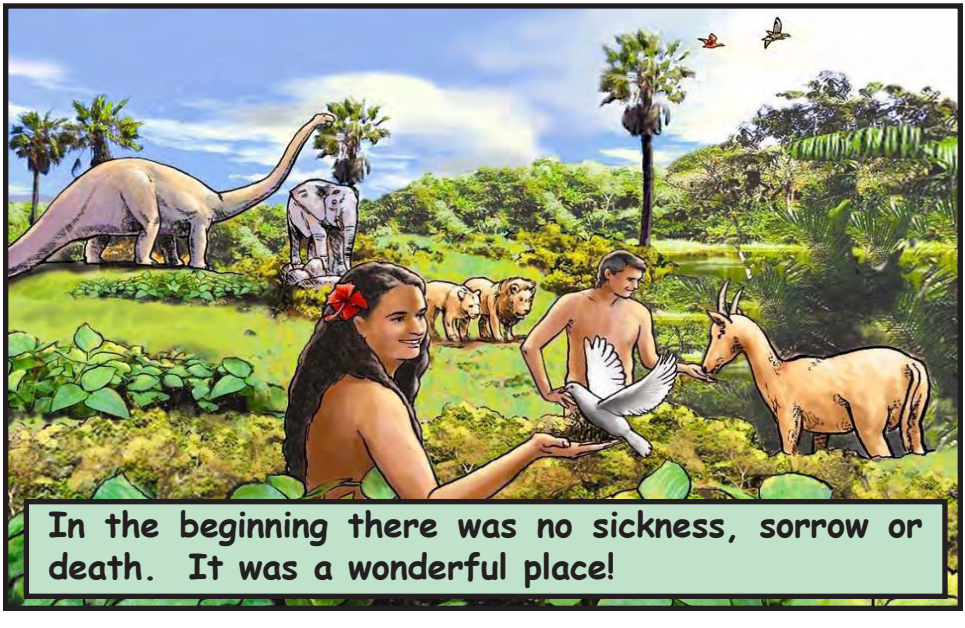
All of the fossils are evidence that dinosaurs and many other animals were killed by a gigantic world-wide flood.

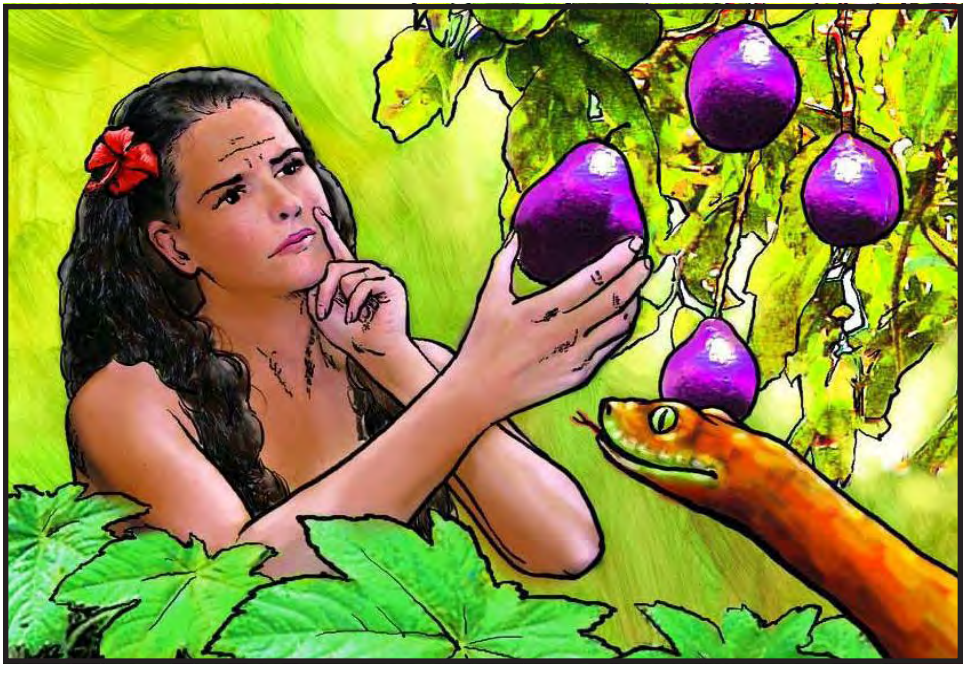


Let's go back to the beginning of time and see why there was such a big flood.

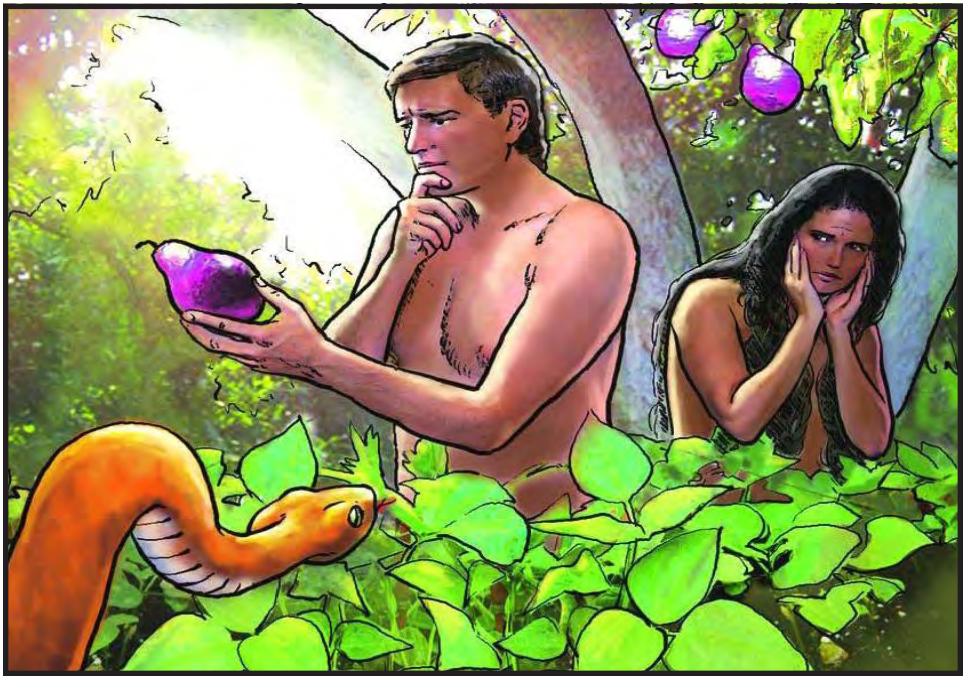


When God created the world it was perfect! He created all the animals including dinosaurs, BIG and small. When God created Adam and Eve He put them into a beautiful garden called Eden and provided everything they needed to make them healthy and happy.





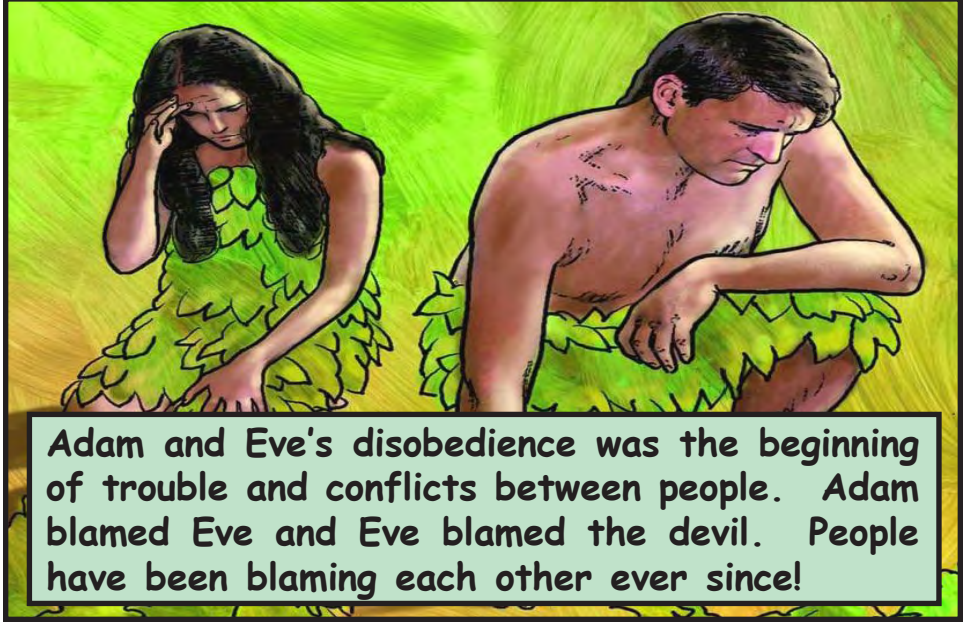
God told Adam and Eve that they could eat anything in the garden except from one tree. But the devil came and lied to Eve. He told her that the fruit was really good and would make her very wise.



Adam and Eve both ate the forbidden fruit and when they disobeyed God something terrible happened to them - and also to all of US.



God warned Adam and Eve that if they sinned they would die. The day they sinned their bodies didn't die, but they died in their hearts and could no longer walk in joyful fellowship with God.





Adam and Eve had to leave the beautiful garden that God had made for them; but God still loved them and made clothing for them to wear.

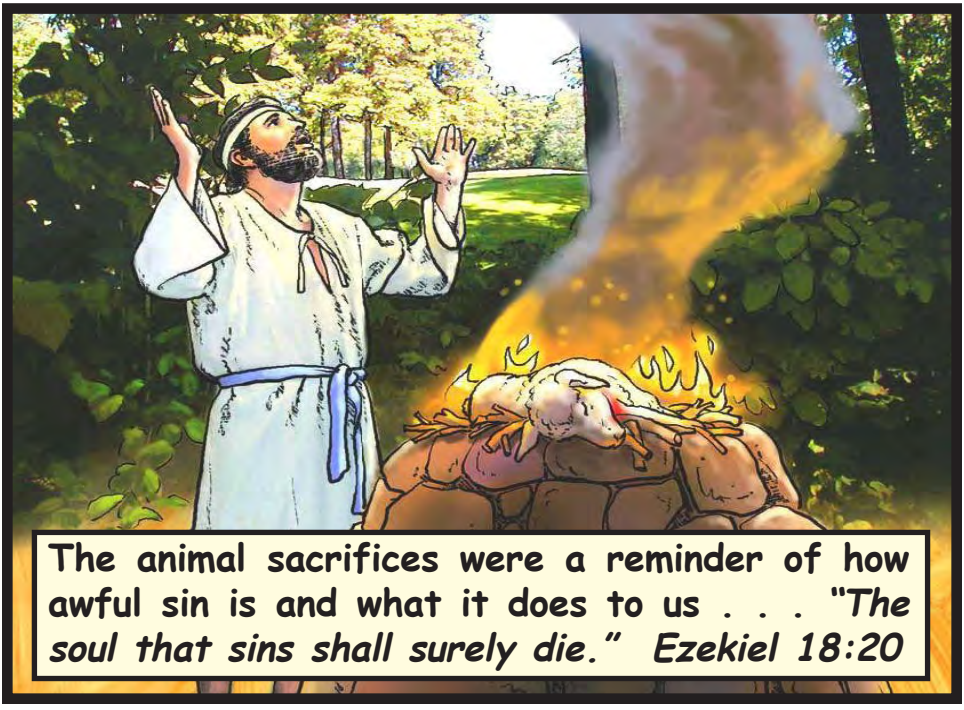


The Lord shed the blood of an innocent animal in order to make coverings for them. He was showing them that a sinless sacrifice would someday have to die in order to pay the penalty for all of our sins.

Adam and Eve's children were born with sinful hearts, and so were we. Their oldest son Cain became angry and killed his younger brother Abel.

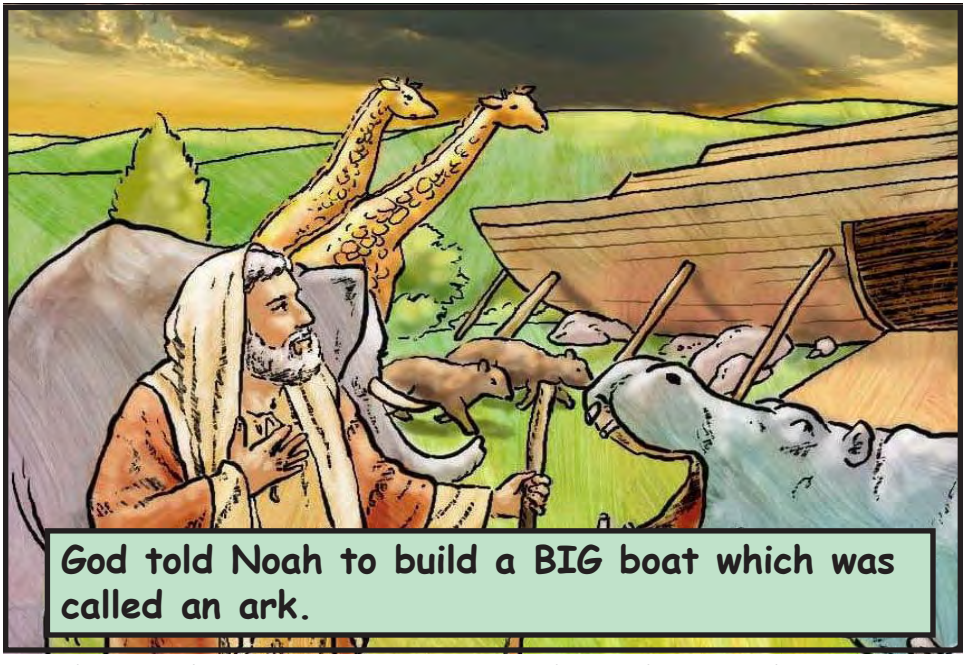


For thousands of years, whenever someone needed to be forgiven, he had to shed the blood of an innocent animal as a sacrifice for his sins.

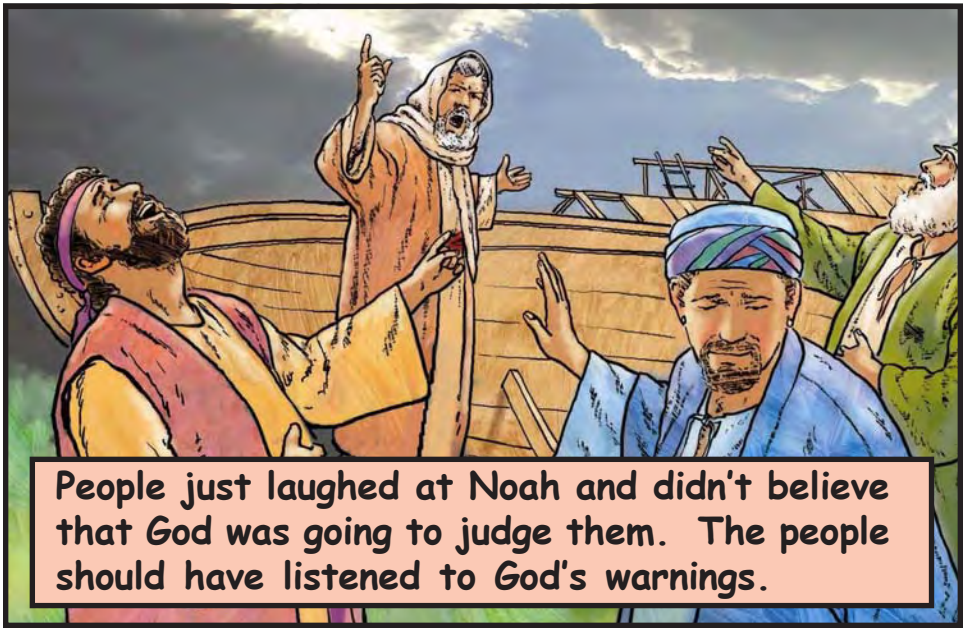


The animal sacrifices were a reminder of how awful sin is and what it does to us . . . *"The soul that sins shall surely die." Ezekiel 18:20*

People all over the world became more and more sinful and soon violence filled the earth.



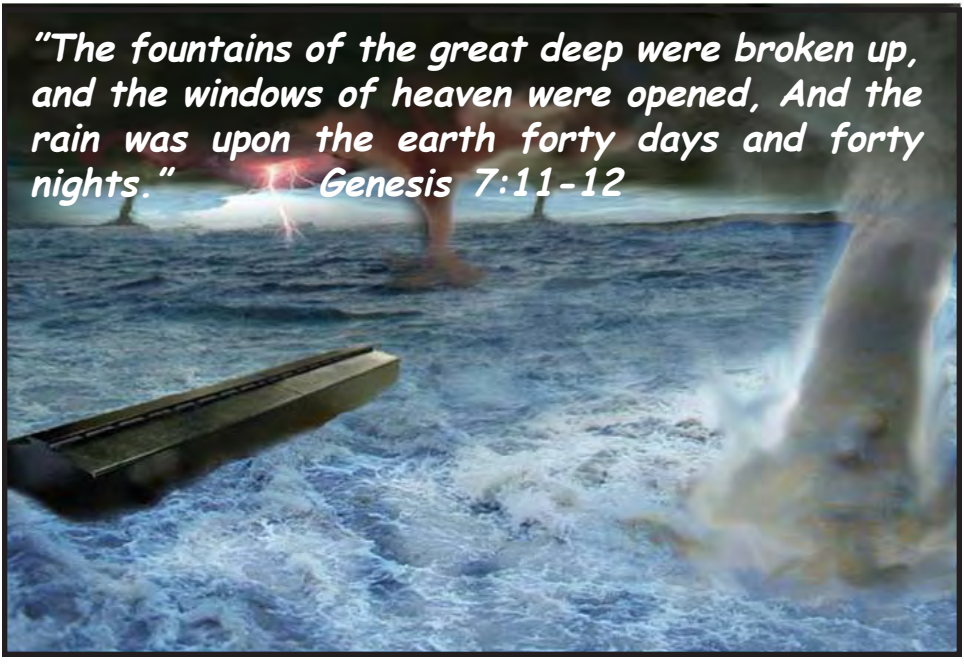
Noah tried to warn everyone that the Lord was going to judge them for their sins by sending a terrible flood that would cover the whole earth.



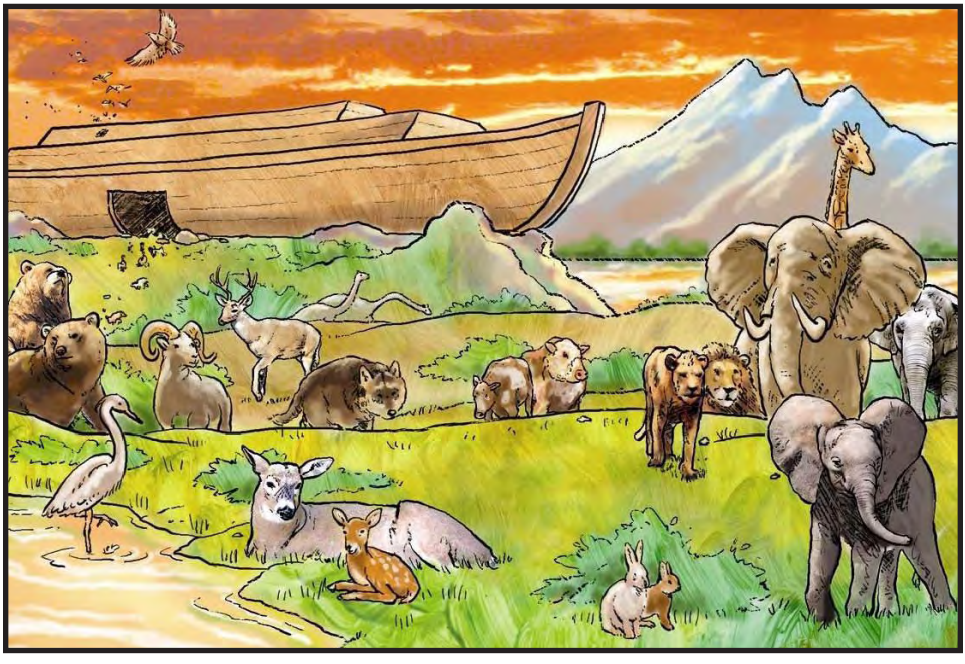
For those who refused to believe and to repent of their sins, it was now too late. God had closed the door on the ark and the rain began to fall.



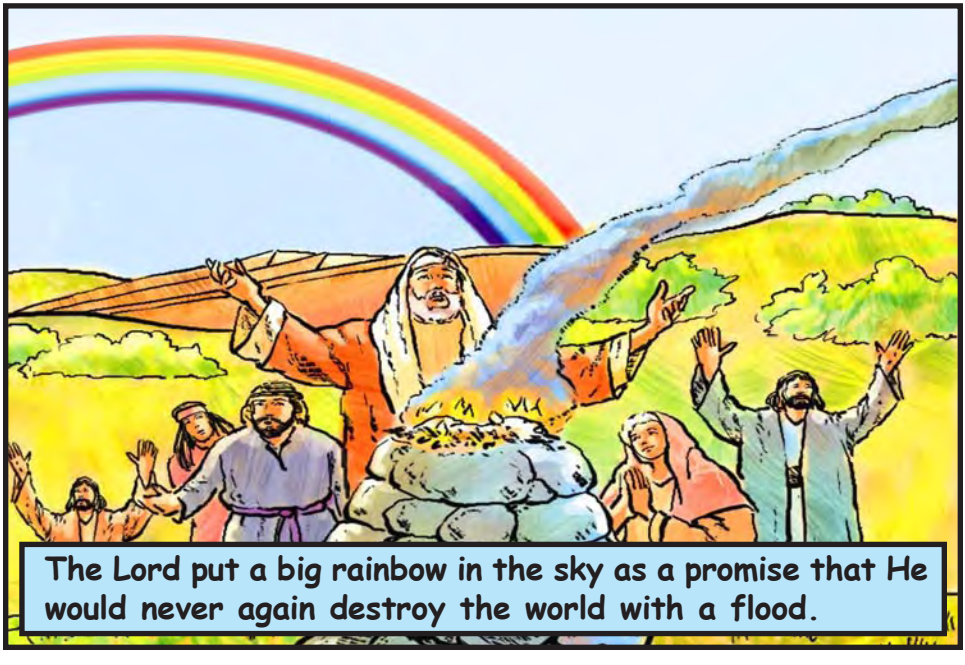
The flood was a terrible judgment upon the whole world, and this is when most of the dinosaurs and other animals died. Everything living on earth was destroyed by the flood except Noah's family and the animals that God had brought into the ark.



After forty days and forty nights the rain finally stopped. A year after the flood began the ark rested on the mountains of Ararat .

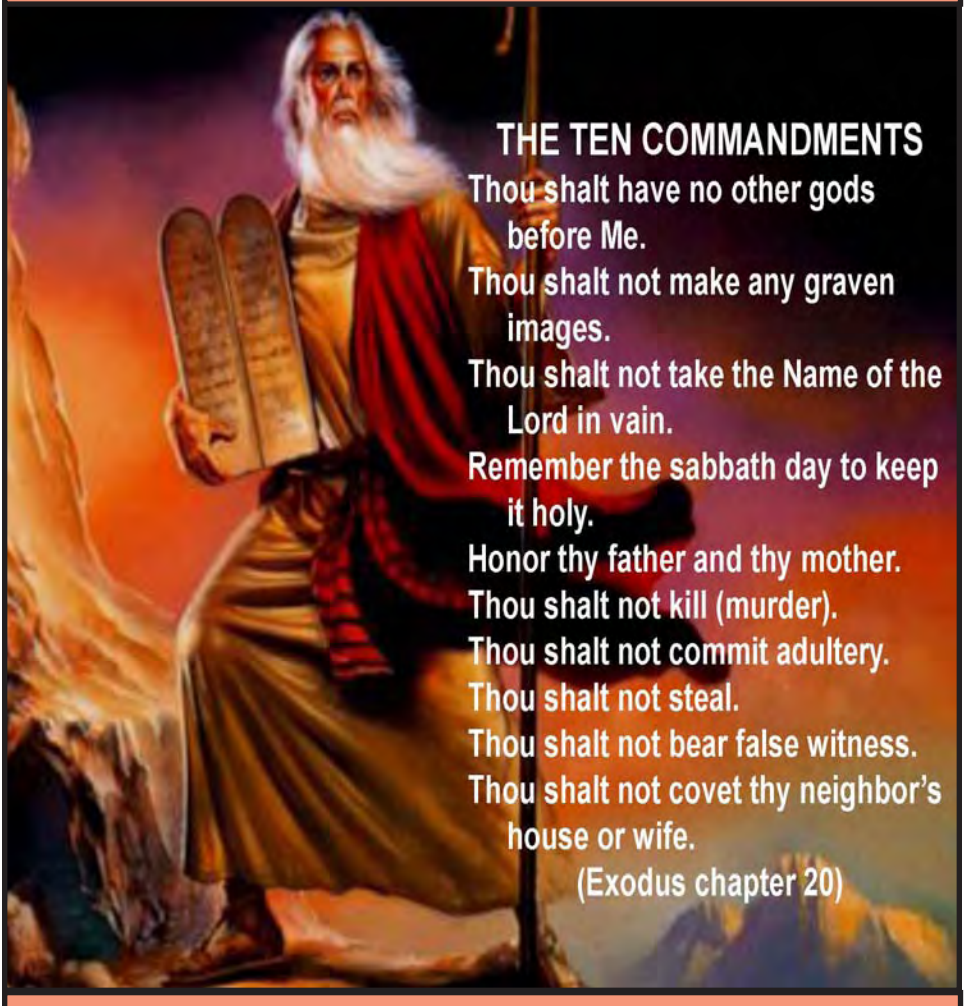


Noah built an altar and sacrificed an innocent animal in payment for his sins and the sins of his family.



The Lord put a big rainbow in the sky as a promise that He would never again destroy the world with a flood.

Thousands of years later God gave His Law to Moses and the Hebrew people so that all men would know what is right and what is wrong.



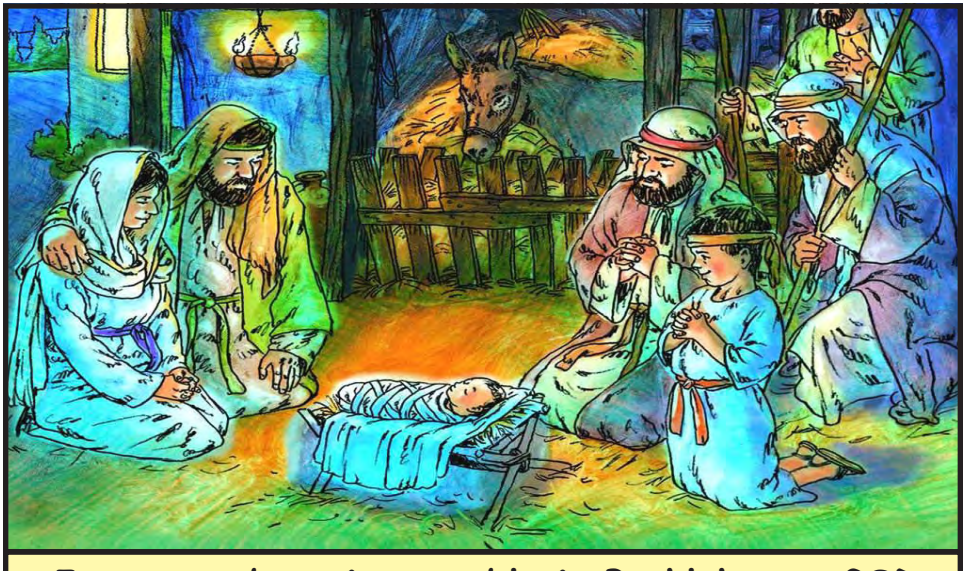
The Ten Commandments also show us that we need a Savior because we have all sinned and disobeyed God's law . . . and the Bible says that *"the wages of sin is death . . . "*

Romans 6:23

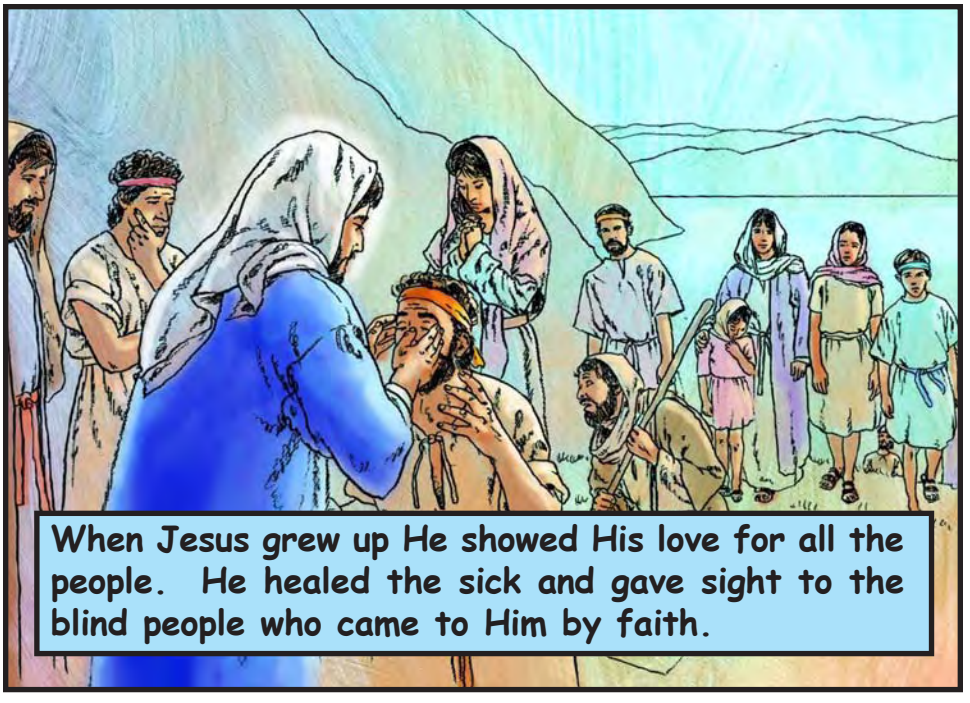
Many years later an angel came to a young virgin girl by the name of Mary. He had very good news!



God was sending His son into the world to save the people from their sins.

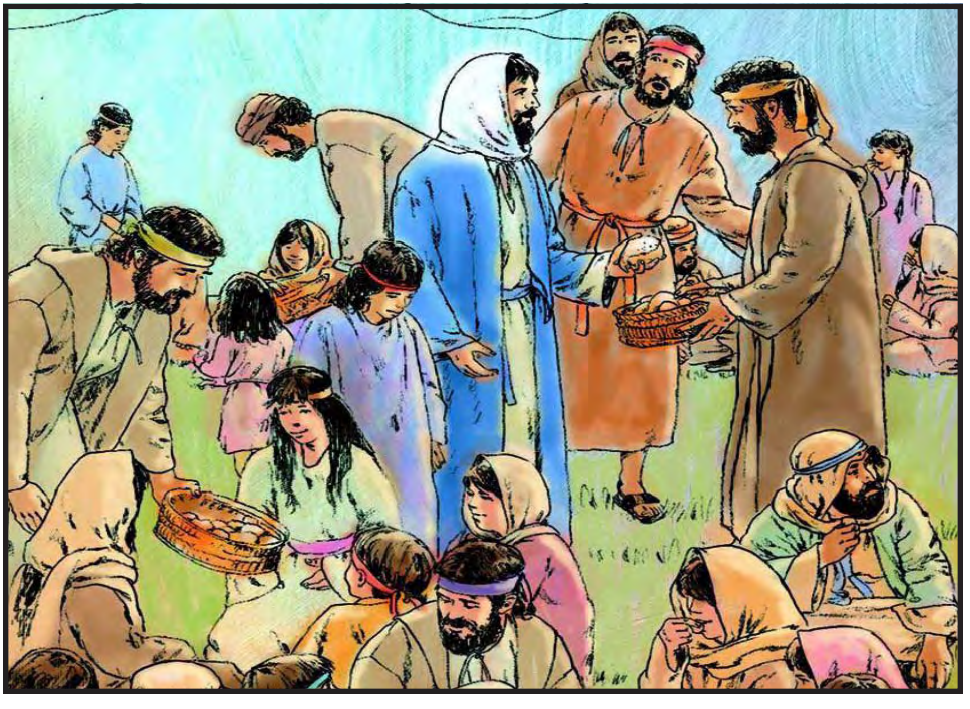


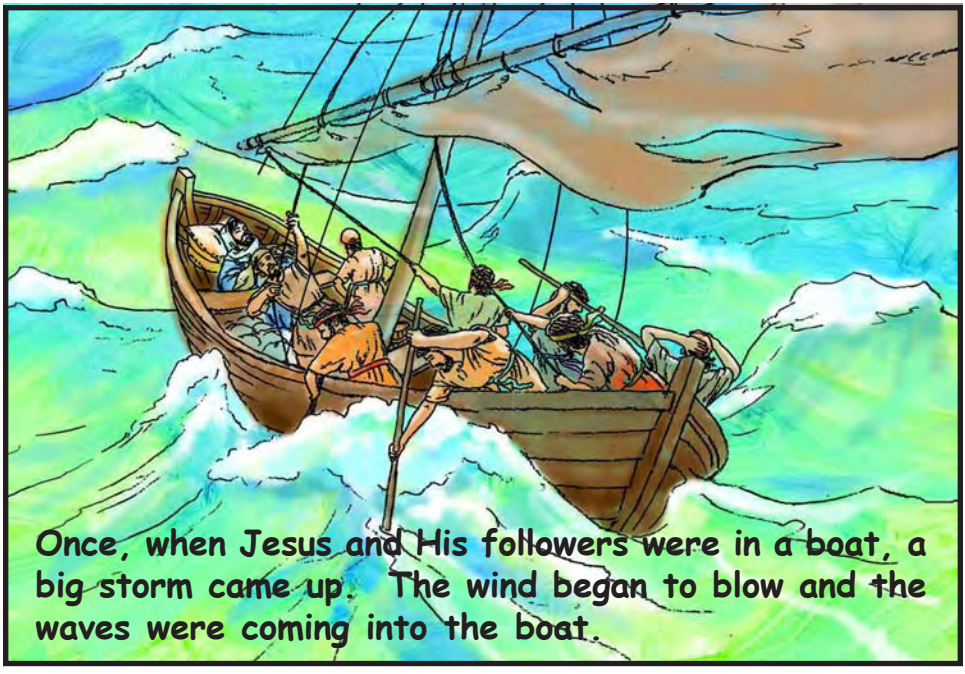
Jesus was born in a stable in Bethlehem. GOD HAD BECOME A MAN! (See *John 1:14*)



When Jesus grew up He showed His love for all the people. He healed the sick and gave sight to the blind people who came to Him by faith.

One day Jesus amazed over 5,000 people when He fed them all with just a little boy's lunch of two fish and five little loaves of bread.



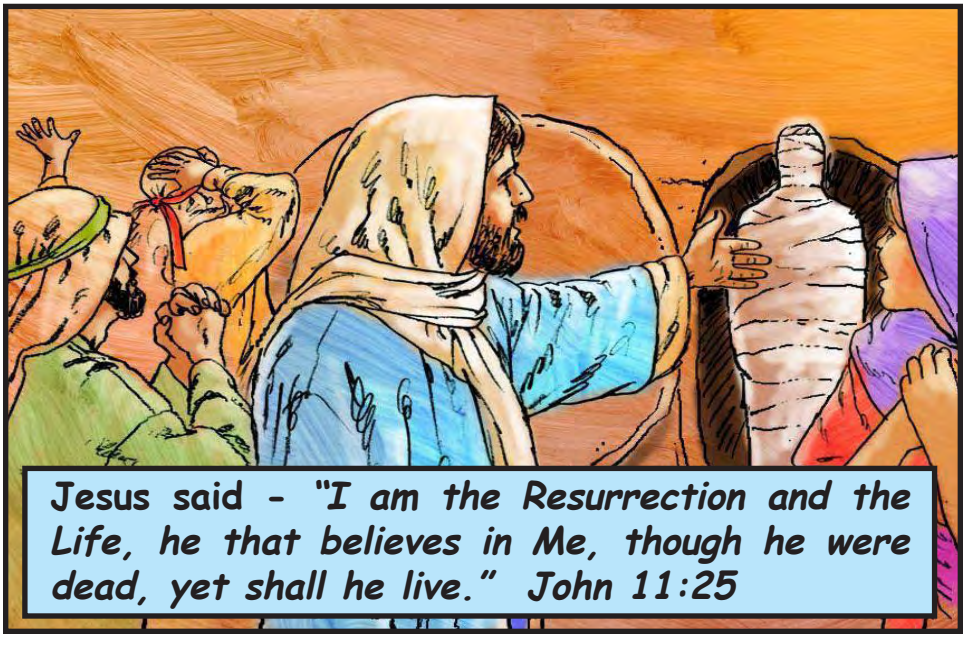


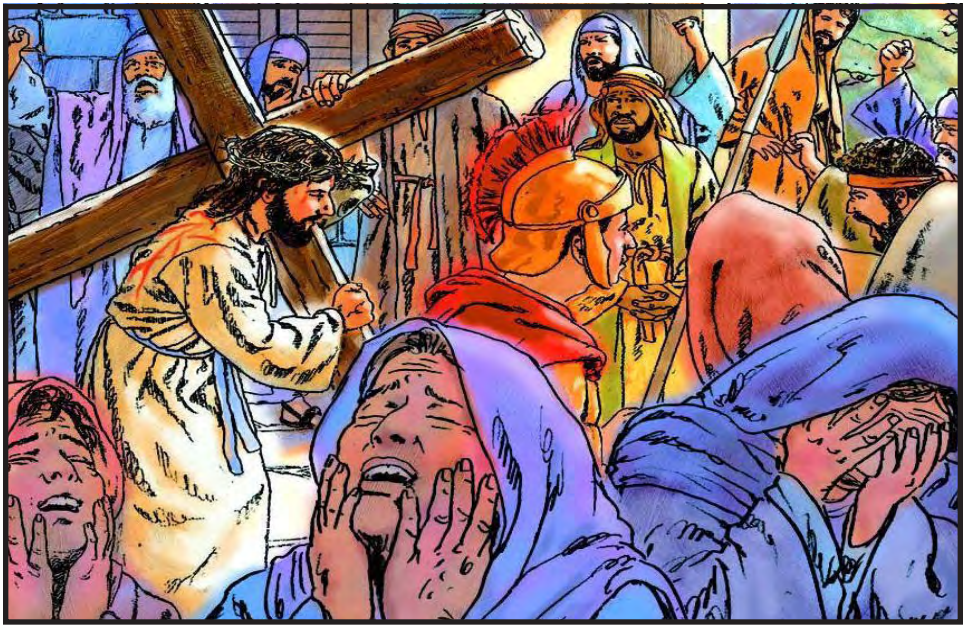
Jesus' disciples were very afraid. They woke Jesus up and asked Him to save them. Jesus said - *"Peace, be still!"* The wind and waves obeyed Him, and the storm was suddenly over!



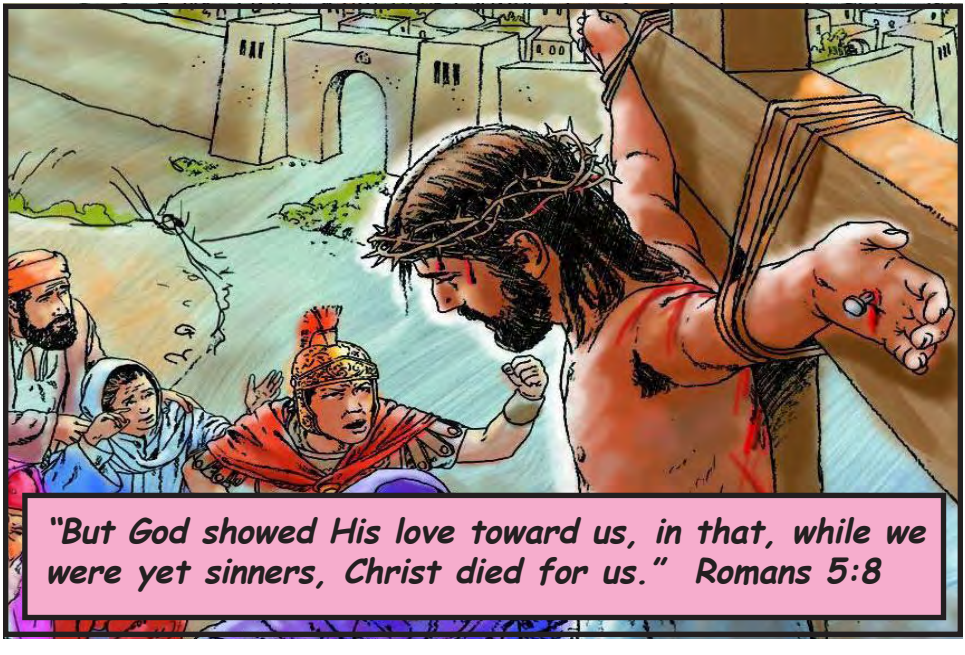


A friend of Jesus died and the family was very sad. Jesus had power to raise the dead. Jesus said - *"Lazarus, come forth"* and Lazarus came back to life. Some day Jesus is going to say "Come forth" to all of His followers, and we will live forever in Heaven with Him. Are you a follower of Jesus?



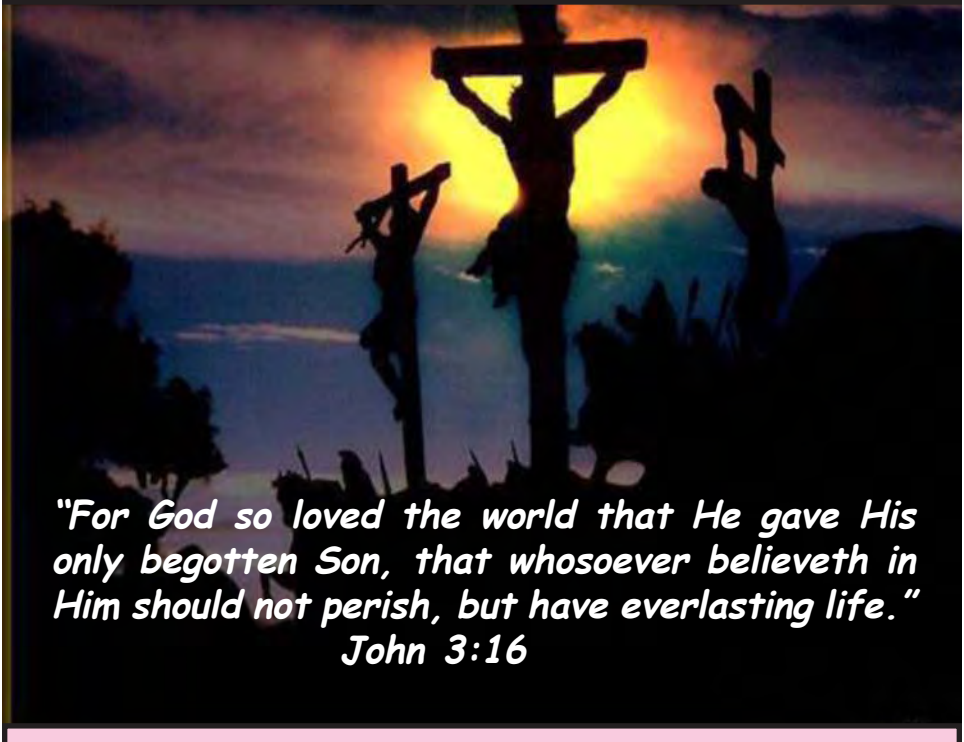


Even though Jesus did so many good things, some people hated Him. They beat Him with whips and pulled His beard out. Some people mocked Him and spit in His face. Then they placed a crown of thorns on His head and led Him to the top of a hill to be crucified.



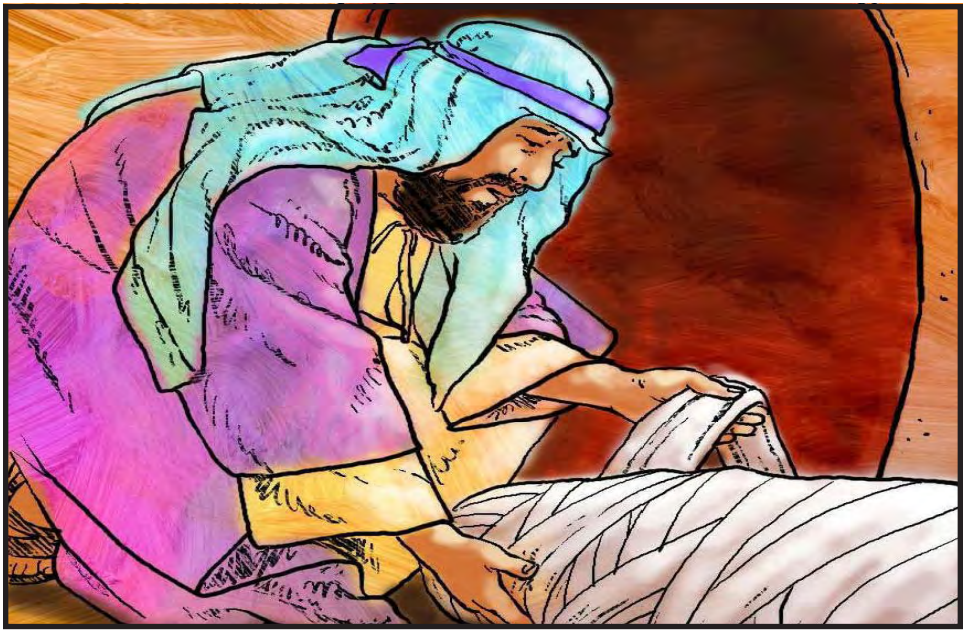
"But God showed His love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." Romans 5:8

Jesus was nailed to a wooden cross like a common criminal . . . but no one could take His life from Him. He willingly died on the cross to pay the penalty for all our sins. JESUS LOVES US AND DIED FOR YOU AND ME!



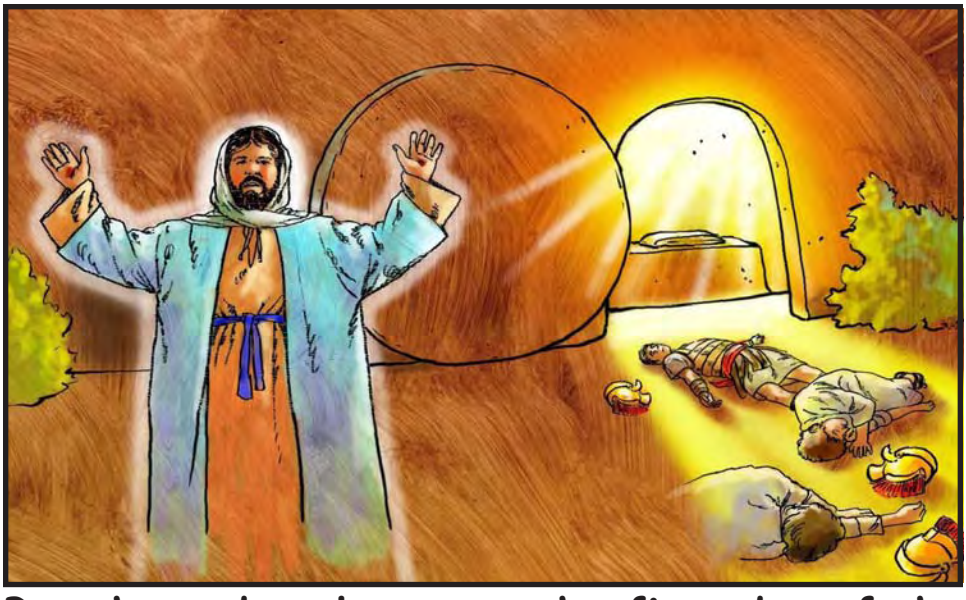
"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."
John 3:16

One of the criminals that died alongside of Jesus asked the Savior to remember him when He came into His kingdom. Jesus promised him - *"Today you shall be with Me in Paradise."* The dying thief knew that he would live with Jesus after he died! DO YOU KNOW WHERE YOU WILL GO AFTER YOU DIE?



After Jesus died for our sins, His body was put into a tomb for three days and three nights. Roman soldiers were ordered to guard the tomb because those who hated Jesus didn't want Him to come back to life.





But three days later, on the first day of the week, Jesus arose from the dead! An angel rolled the stone away so that Jesus' followers could look into the empty tomb and see that He was risen. Jesus is alive today, and if we believe in Him we will live forever with Him in Heaven!





Jesus met with His disciples and showed them that He really was alive. He showed them the nail prints in His hands . . . and He even asked for something to eat!

Jesus wants you to know that your sins can be forgiven and that you can become a child of God with the promise of eternal life. If you believe that Jesus died on the cross for you, you can pray right now and ask Him to save you. Pray in your own words, or you can pray something like this:

"Lord Jesus, I know that I have sinned and that I do not deserve to live with You in Heaven. But I believe that You died on the cross in full payment for all of my sins. By faith, I turn from my unbelief and sins and ask You to save me. I invite you to come into my life. Thank You, Lord Jesus, for dying for me on the cross. Thank You for giving me the gift of God which is eternal life." Amen

The Bible tells us that you can KNOW that you have eternal life by trusting in Jesus Christ as your Savior:

"Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved . . . " Acts 16:31

"These things have I written unto you that believe on the Name of the Son of God, that ye may KNOW that ye have eternal life . . . " 1 John 5:13

"He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life; and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God abideth on him." John 3:36

"There is therefore now no condemnation to them who are in Christ Jesus."
Romans 8:1



Fossils are formed when an animal dies and is quickly buried by mud. The mud protects the bones from decay by cutting off sunlight and oxygen. Then, in time, the bones turn into rock.

Dinosaur fossils are found all over the world and they tell us that there was once a REALLY BIG FLOOD with lots of water and lots of mud!

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