

## THE SINLESS, SPOTLESS LAMB OF GOD

YEAR AFTER YEAR, GOD'S PEOPLE OFFERED SACRIFICES BECAUSE OF THEIR SINS.

THE PRIESTS TOOK A LAMB WITHOUT ANY SPOTS OR MARKS TO OFFER FOR EACH FAMILY (NUMBERS 28:16-25)

THE DEATH OF THIS SPOTLESS LAMB POINTED TOWARD THE TRUE LAMB WHO WOULD GIVE HIS LIFE IN OUR PLACE ONCE AND FOR ALL TIME (HEBREWS 7:27) ...

... AND THEN HE ARRIVED.

"THERE IS BORN TO YOU THIS DAY IN THE CITY OF DAVID A SAVIOR, WHO IS CHRIST THE LORD" (LUKE 2:11).

JESUS, THE SINLESS SON OF GOD, TOLD THE PEOPLE ABOUT GOD'S GREAT RESCUE PLAN. HE DID THE WORKS HIS FATHER GAVE HIM TO DO. HE HEALED, HE BROUGHT THE DEAD BACK TO LIFE, AND HE TOLD US TO TURN AWAY FROM SIN AND FOLLOW HIM.

WHEN THE PROPHET JOHN BAPTIZED JESUS, GOD THE FATHER SPOKE FROM HEAVEN TO APPROVE JESUS' MISSION:

"YOU ARE MY BELOVED SON; IN YOU I AM WELL PLEASED" (LUKE 3:22).

"... THE BLIND SEE, THE LAME WALK, THE LEPERS ARE CLEANSED, THE DEAF HEAR, THE DEAD ARE RAISED, THE POOR HAVE THE GOSPEL PREACHED TO THEM" (LUKE 7:22).

"HE WHO HEARS MY WORD AND BELIEVES IN HIM WHO SENT ME HAS EVERLASTING LIFE, AND SHALL NOT COME INTO JUDGMENT, BUT HAS PASSED FROM DEATH INTO LIFE" (JOHN 5:24).

**BUT NOT EVERYONE LIKED WHAT JESUS TAUGHT...**

... SOME OF THE JEWS AND THEIR LEADERS HAD JESUS PUT TO DEATH ON THE CROSS (MATTHEW 27:20-25) ...

... BUT THAT WAS ALL A PART OF GOD'S RESCUE PLAN. THE SINLESS LAMB DIED FOR SINNERS (1 PETER 1:18-20)

WHEN JESUS DIED, SOME FOLLOWERS PUT HIS BODY IN A TOMB AND ROLLED A STONE TO BLOCK THE ENTRANCE (MATTHEW 27:59-60). ALL REMAINED SILENT UNTIL THE THIRD DAY ...

... AN ANGEL APPEARED IN BLAZING LIGHT AND ROLLED THE STONE AWAY. THE EARTH SHOOK VIOLENTLY. SOLDIERS WHO GUARDED THE TOMB Fainted FROM FEAR (MATTHEW 28:2-4).

MOST AMAZING OF ALL? THE TOMB NOW HELD ONLY GRAVE CLOTHS (JOHN 20:1-8).

**JESUS HAD COME BACK TO LIFE!**

AND THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT THEY DID. THEY PREACHED THE GOOD NEWS OF THE RESCUE TO EVERYONE, EVERYWHERE (ACTS 5:42; 8:4).

JESUS WANTS **YOU** TO SHARE THE GOOD NEWS, TOO. YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY NEED TO HEAR IT.

THE END...? NOT YET. GOD'S PLAN IS FOR EVERYONE WHO RECEIVES JESUS AS SAVIOR TO SPEND FOREVER WITH HIM IN A NEW HEAVENS AND A NEW EARTH—A PLACE WITH NO MORE DEATH OR SIN. READ ABOUT IT IN REVELATION 21 AND 22!