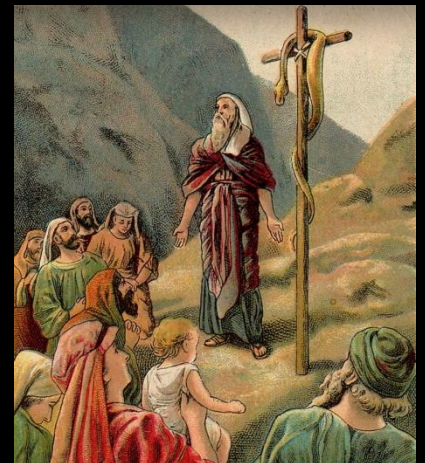
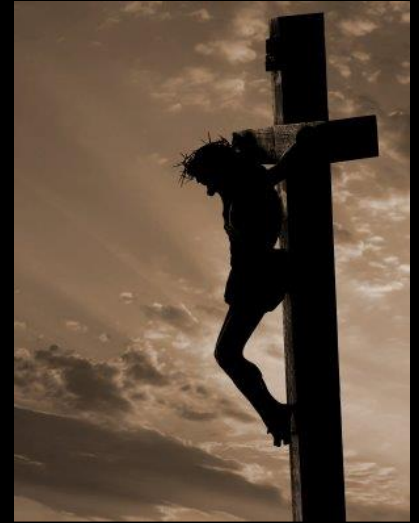
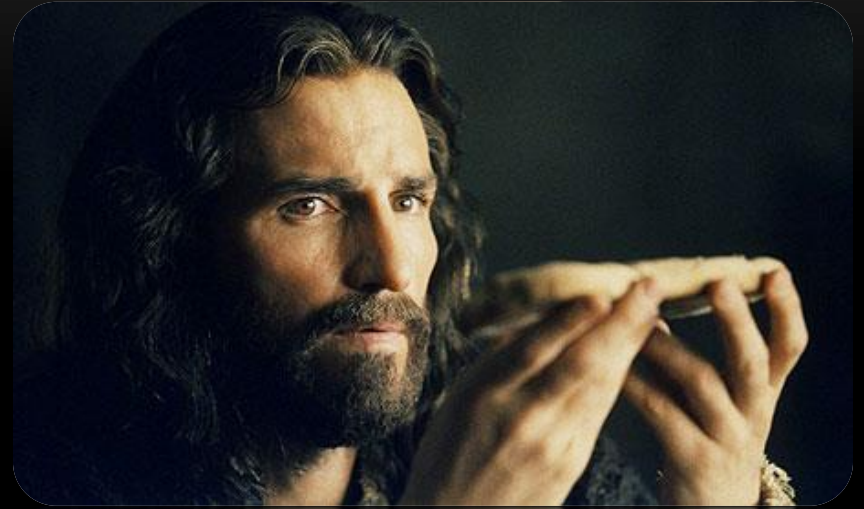


**“And as Moses lifted
up the serpent in the
wilderness, even so
must the Son of Man
be lifted up”**

John 3:14



**God's
transforming
Power and
Satan's
opposition**



I. Man out of dust and man back to dust! ⁽¹⁾

- God's breath made a living soul out of dust. Lot's wife looking back, turned into a pillar of salt.
- The children of Israel and their hearts turning back to Egypt



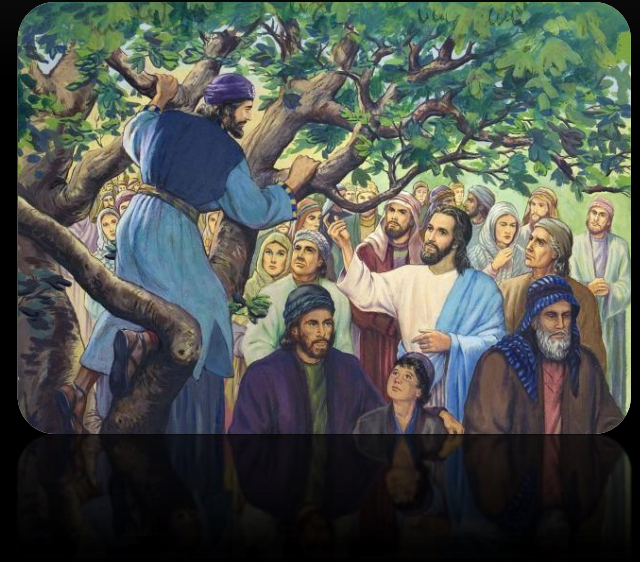
I. Man out of dust and man back to dust! ⁽²⁾

- Adam lived when he looked up to God for knowledge. He later died when he looked down to earth to obtain it.
- The eye and becoming a lamb or succumbing to darkness



I. Man out of dust and man back to dust! ⁽³⁾

- The Spirit of God bringing every sinful dead soul to life and Satan spreading death to living beings who follow him
- Between Zacchaeus and Saul the king



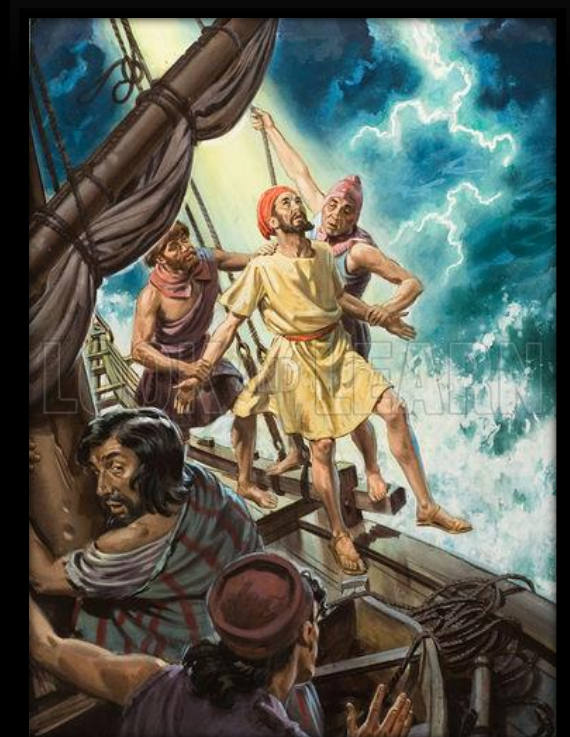
II. Evil turns to good and good turning to evil! ⁽¹⁾

- The suffering of Job and his healing from self-righteousness
- The affliction of Joseph and the deliverance of the earth from famine



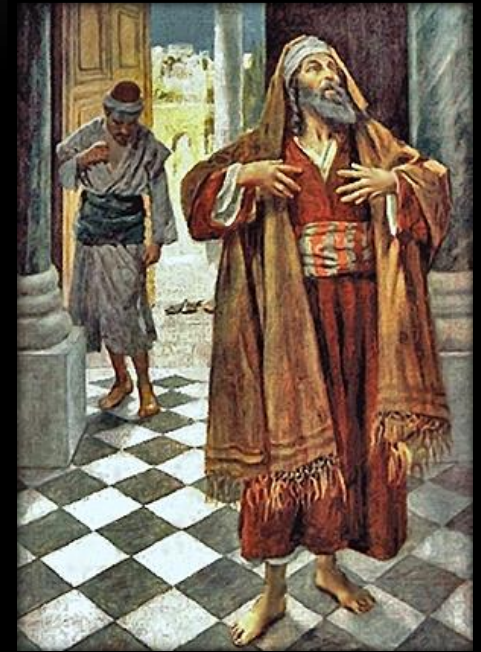
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- The disobedience of Jonah and the belief of the sailors
- On the contrary: the house of God turning into a den of thieves



II. Evil turns to good and good turning to evil! ⁽³⁾

- Serving the house of God and feeding a puffed up ego.
- Acquiring knowledge and spiritual practices which are used to judge and despise others



III. The power of the Mysteries and losing it! ⁽¹⁾

- The birth of the New Man in Baptism and the rule of the old man afterwards
- Changing into the temple of God by the Myron and then making the temple desolate



III. The power of the Mysteries and losing it! ⁽²⁾

- Abiding in the Lord Christ through partaking of His Body and Blood and then being guilty when we receive It unworthily.
- Uniting a man and woman into one but then causing separation by selfishness and ungodliness



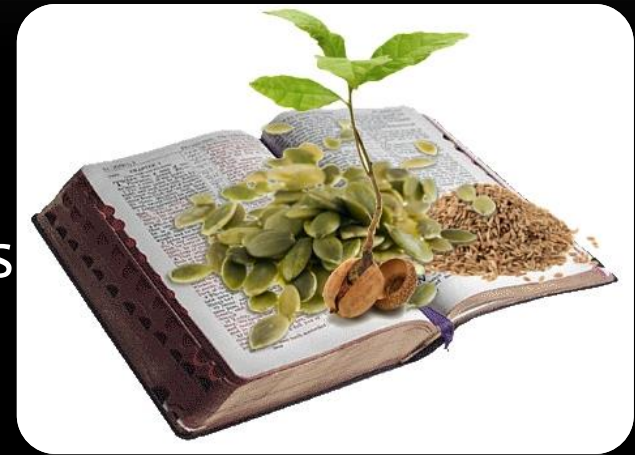
IV. The Word of God and its transformative power! ⁽¹⁾

- It pierces the hearts as a double edge **Sword**. Causing either repentance or indignation in the hearts of others



IV. The Word of God and its transformative power! ⁽²⁾

- It is the **Seed** that brings forth fruits when kept in the heart. It is quickly snatched away by the birds for those who are like the wayside
- It is **Light** that guides us in our journey, but at the same time, Satan uses it to deceive many.



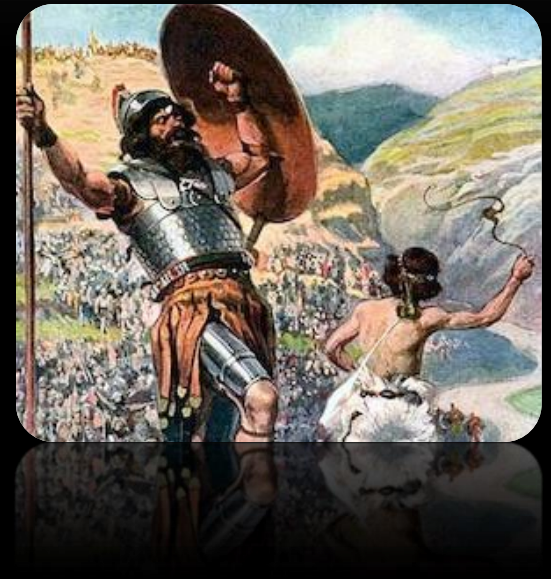
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- It is Spirit and Life for the humble while the reason for boasting and pride for the Pharisees and the like



V. The weak become heroes and the mighty are taken as prey! ⁽¹⁾

- David the young shepherd rules as a king over Israel
- The simple and uneducated disciples spread Christianity throughout the world



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- Samson the mighty judge of Israel reduced to a beast playing in the house of Dagon as a clown



VI. Becoming like Him or receiving the mark of the beast? ⁽¹⁾

- “Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is” *1 John 3:2*



VI. Becoming like Him or receiving the mark of the beast? ⁽²⁾

- “If anyone worships the beast and his image, and receives his mark on his forehead or on his hand, he himself shall also drink of the wine of the wrath of God”



Revelation 14:9