



**BETWEEN 6:00 AM—9:00 AM: THE UNFROZEN MAN**

Last week Michael Knapinski was enjoying a hike at Mount Rainer National Park when he got stuck in a blizzard. He couldn't find his way out and collapsed as the snow piled up around him. A rescue helicopter whisked him away to a hospital where he was unconscious and hypothermic. Then his heart stopped. For 45 minutes doctors performed CPR (*"He was as dead as somebody gets before they are truly dead,"* said Dr. Arbabi). Then they put him on a life support machine. It looked bleak. But after two hours, he opened his eyes and gave a thumbs up sign to a shocked nurse. The next morning his heart pumped like new. *"It's miraculous,"* said the doctor.

Maybe you're struggling mightily today and need to be airlifted (*"My soul melts away for sorrow" — V.28*). For the Psalmist below, God's Word resuscitated him when he was flat on his back, spiritually. Let God revive you (V.25b literally says, *"Life me!"*). Notice the seven different words for God's written truth (i.e., our life support machine) that the Psalmist uses in just eight verses. I count seven. Circle them below as you read and regain your vigor. And pray, *"Life me, Lord!"*

**Psa. 119:25** *My soul clings to the dust;* —  
*give me life according to your word!*

**Psa. 119:26** *When I told of my ways, you answered me;*  
*teach me your statutes!*

**Psa. 119:27** *Make me understand the way of your precepts,*  
*and I will meditate on your wondrous works.*

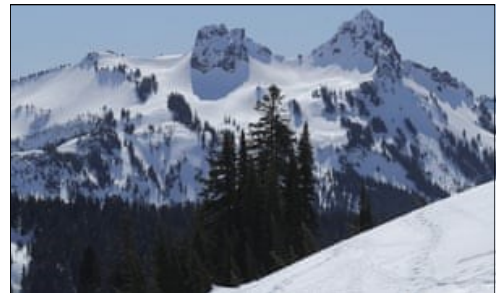
**Psa. 119:28** *My soul melts away for sorrow;*  
*strengthen me according to your word!*

**Psa. 119:29** *Put false ways far from me*  
*and graciously teach me your law!*

**Psa. 119:30** *I have chosen the way of faithfulness;*  
*I set your rules before me.*

**Psa. 119:31** *I cling to your testimonies, O LORD;*  
*let me not be put to shame!*

**Psa. 119:32** *I will run in the way of your commandments*  
*when you enlarge my heart!*

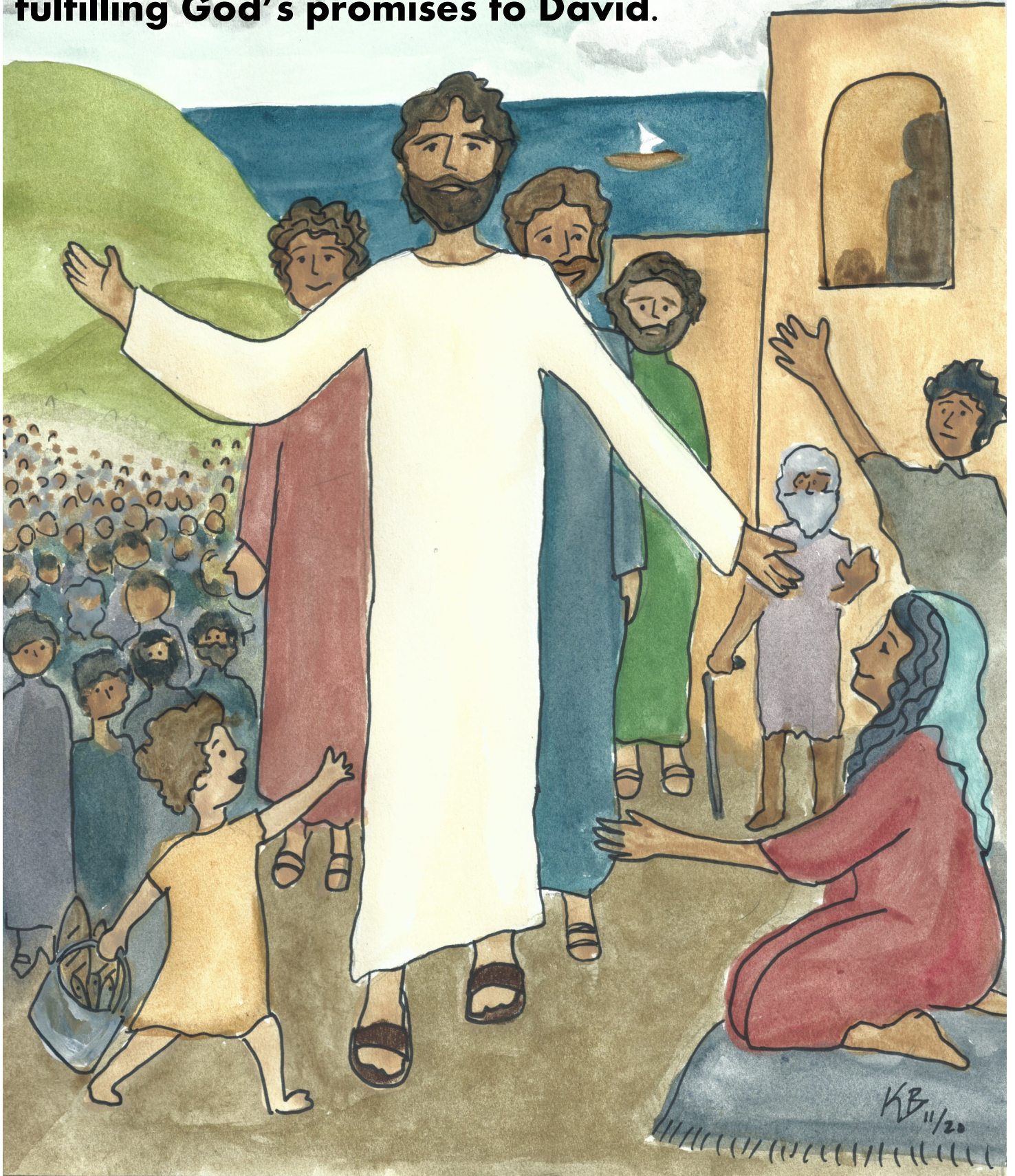


Turn the page at 9:00 AM and discover the third Gospel event with the aid of Kierra's artwork.



### Gospel Piece #3

**Jesus, the Saving King, took on a human body, fulfilling God's promises to David.**





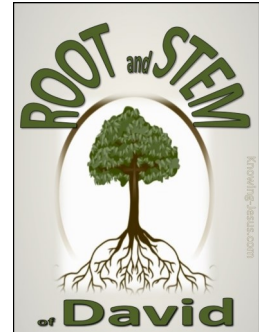
## **BETWEEN 9:00 AM-12:00 PM: ONE OF US IN EVERY WAY, BUT ONE**

The third Gospel piece is that Jesus took on a human body which fulfilled God's ancient promise to David. God became flesh-and-blood in Jesus and he's everything we could hope for in a Savior. Notice in the art piece on the previous page how he preached the reign of God to the multitudes (left) as healed the sick and disfavored (right). He welcomed children and exercised Yahweh-like power (the multiplied loaves and fishes remind of us how God fed his people in the desert). Notice his three disciples standing behind him, Peter, James and John. He still calls disciples from every nation to share his story wide while putting on his character. Let's mediate on the promise of a Messiah from David's line. Marvel at the fact that God spoke these words to the king 1,000 years before Jesus was born.

**2Sam. 7:12** *When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom.*

**2Sam. 7:13** *He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever.*

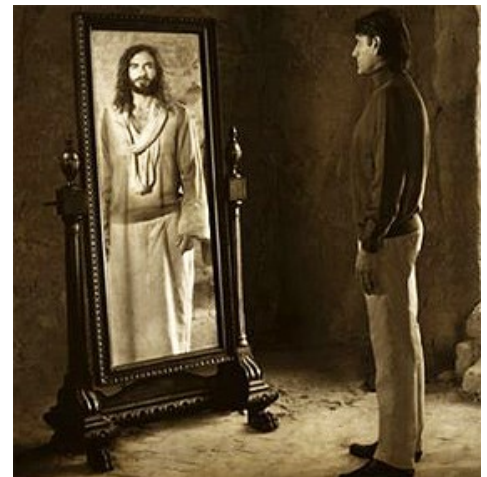
**2Sam. 7:16** *And your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me. Your throne shall be established forever."*



In a world of broken promises, God followed through on his. He said he would send a Messiah in the line of David and against all odds, he sent him. What emotions well up in you when you think about how God came to us in the person of his Son?

## **BETWEEN 12:00 PM-3:00 PM: WHY IS THE INCARNATION AN ESSENTIAL ELEMENT OF THE GOSPEL?**

Why is it important to consider the incarnation and not just jump to the cross? Here's why: God "sent" Jesus (remember last week?) to assume our human nature in every respect (except sin) and to pay our debt. But to reign with the saving king, we have to resemble him again. See, in the beginning, God appointed humans as his "icons" in the world (Gen. 1:26-27). But our false worship shattered the beautiful likeness of God in human beings. God sent his Son as the flawless image so that his resemblance in us might be restored as we look upon Jesus. This is part of the salvation journey because God's aim for us is that we join King Jesus in reigning over the new world (*"And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another..."* — 2 Cor. 3:18).



Consider your "viewing" habits? The fact that you're reading the Scripture in this guide is a good sign that you're committed to transformation. You're serious about being renewed as a true reflection of Jesus, *"who is the image of God"* (2 Cor 4:4). You want to be a clear picture of the King and not a muddled one (Col. 3:10). Co-Regency in the new world requires that you be like Jesus. Keep gazing upon him.

**BETWEEN 3:00 PM—4:00 PM: Join the Joel Moment Prayer Gathering. Go to Zoom.com and enter Meeting ID and Password.**



**ESTHER KUNDER** [She'll share about her confidence in Jesus Christ and how he has guided her.]

**Eph. 3:20** *Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us,*

**Lam. 3:22** *The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; <sup>23</sup> they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.*

**LOUISE WINSOR** [Scripture reading and prayer in gratitude to God for sending the Davidic King.]

**Rom. 1:1** *Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, <sup>2</sup> which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy Scriptures, <sup>3</sup> concerning his Son, who was descended from **David** according to the flesh <sup>4</sup> and was declared to be the Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness by his resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord,*

**2Tim. 2:8** *Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of **David**, as preached in my gospel,*

**Rom. 15:12** *And again Isaiah says, "The **root of Jesse** will come, even he who arises to rule the Gentiles; in him will the Gentiles hope."*

**Acts 2:29** *"Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch **David** that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. <sup>30</sup> Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set **one of his descendants** on his throne,*

**Rev. 22:16** *"I, Jesus, have sent my angel to testify to you about these things for the churches. I am the root and **the descendant of David**, the bright morning star."*

**DARREN SEITZ** [He'll share brief encouragement to be "image driven." Huh? He'll explain.]



**GROUP PRAYER PROMPT #1 (7 min.):** **Luke 9:43b ...** *But while they were all marveling at everything he was doing...*

Look again at Kierra’s art piece. Think about particular scenes that you treasure from Jesus’ earthly life. Maybe a healing? Maybe a conversation. Praise him for the wonderful deeds that he did when he was with us in the flesh.

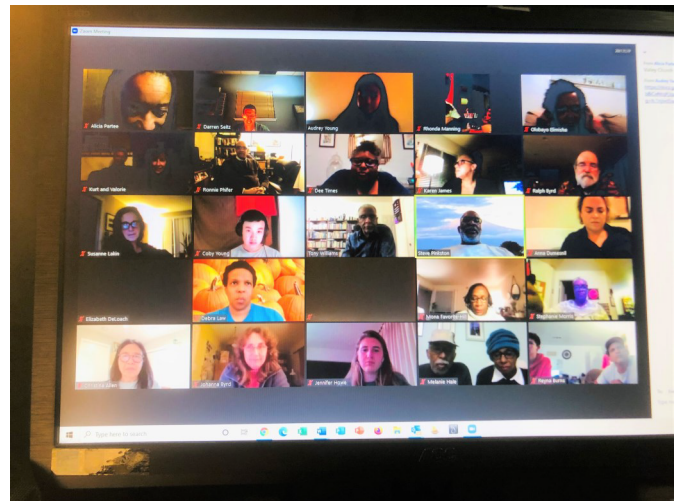
**GROUP PRAYER PROMPT #2 (7 min.):** **1 Cor. 13:12** *For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known.*

Praise him that all confusion and uncertainty will vanish when we see Jesus directly. Pray for the lost and the blind. Again, ask God to draw men and women to him.

**GROUP PRAYER PROMPT #3 (7 min.):** Ask God to meet the material needs of those around us .

**BETWEEN 5:00 PM-10:00 PM: MEET THE FAMILY**

Take a look at these beautiful faces. They’re our brothers and sisters from Maranatha Church, with some of our own church family members mixed in. Our **Justice Action Team** had a Game Night with them last night. Below are the names of the new friends we made. **Pray for them by name as you go to sleep.** To get involved with this team or get more information, reach out to **Darren Seitz** at [darrens@valleychurch.org](mailto:darrens@valleychurch.org) and he’ll get you in contact with the team leader.



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