

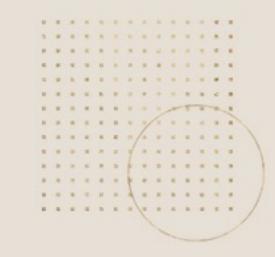


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ADVENTUS

"coming" or "arrival"



In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world. (This was the first census that took place while Quirinius was governor of Syria.) And everyone went to their own town to register.

LUKE 2:1-11



So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them.

LUKE 2:1-11

And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord."

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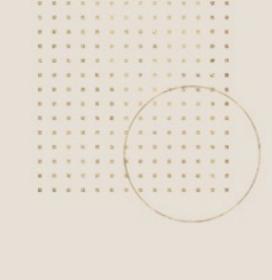


God is completely holy, absolutely trustworthy, and has a perfect record with every promise He has ever made.

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end...

ISAIAH 9:6-7





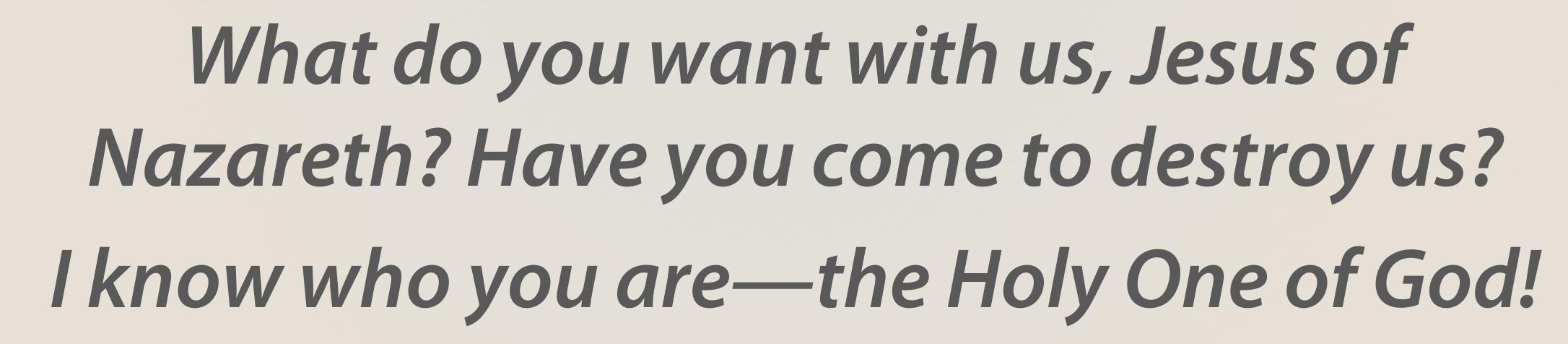
...The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!

MARK 1:15



Jesus is a righteous King.





MARK 1:24



EVIL KINGS

Love themselves Serve themselves Take from their people Lie and manipulate Cause panic & worry Cause sorrow & pain **Care little** Act foolishly & bring shame

JESUS

Loves His people Serves His people Provides generously Tells the truth, IS the truth Peace, security, & stability Brings joy & comfort Cares deeply for each one Perfect in wisdom & a delight



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Jesus is a loving King.



Jesus' call to repentance is an extraordinary act of love.

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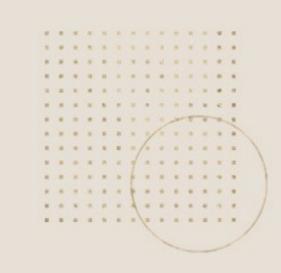


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JOHN 21:15-19





Hate sin.

Love yourself.

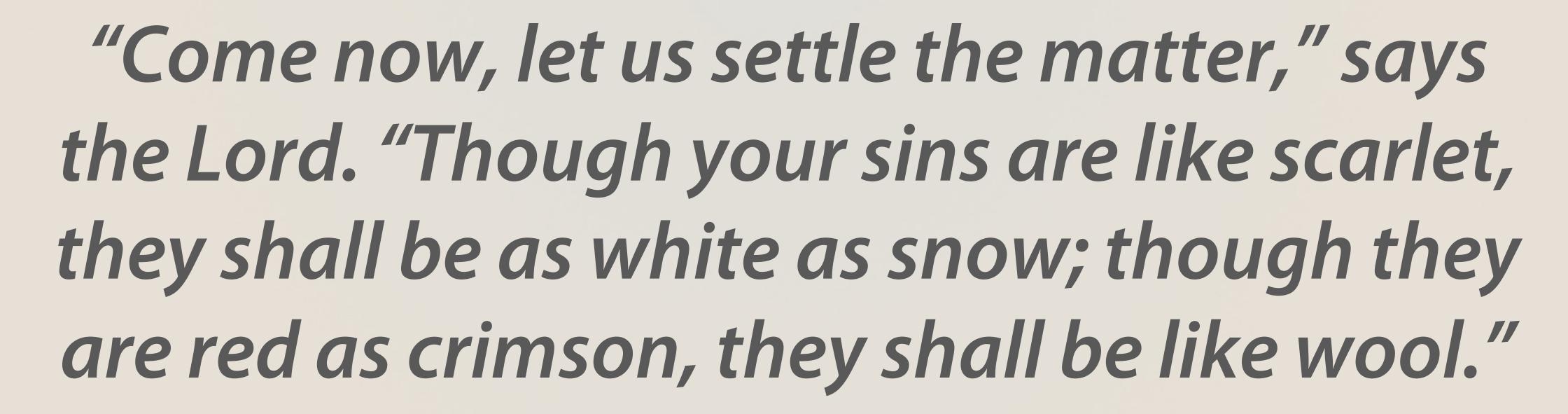


The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

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2 PETER 3:9





ISAIAH 1:18





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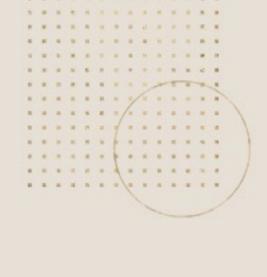
Jesus is a merciful King.



God wants to forgive you more than you want forgiveness!

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If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

1 JOHN 1:9



If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land.

2 CHRONICLES 7:14





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PSALM 103:8

slow to anger, abounding in love.







