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An aerial photograph of a church campus. Three large, rectangular buildings with light-colored metal roofs are visible. The building on the left is labeled 'Worship Center', the one on the right is labeled 'Kids', and the central, larger building is labeled 'MP/Office/Youth'. A large parking lot with several cars is in front of the buildings. The image has a dark, starry background on the left and right sides.

Worship Center

Kids

MP/Office/Youth

Adventure Future Vision

PLEASE PRAY!





MIDWEEK

# Huddle

WEDNESDAYS  
6:30-8:00 PM





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# Romans 5:1-5

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# *Advent*

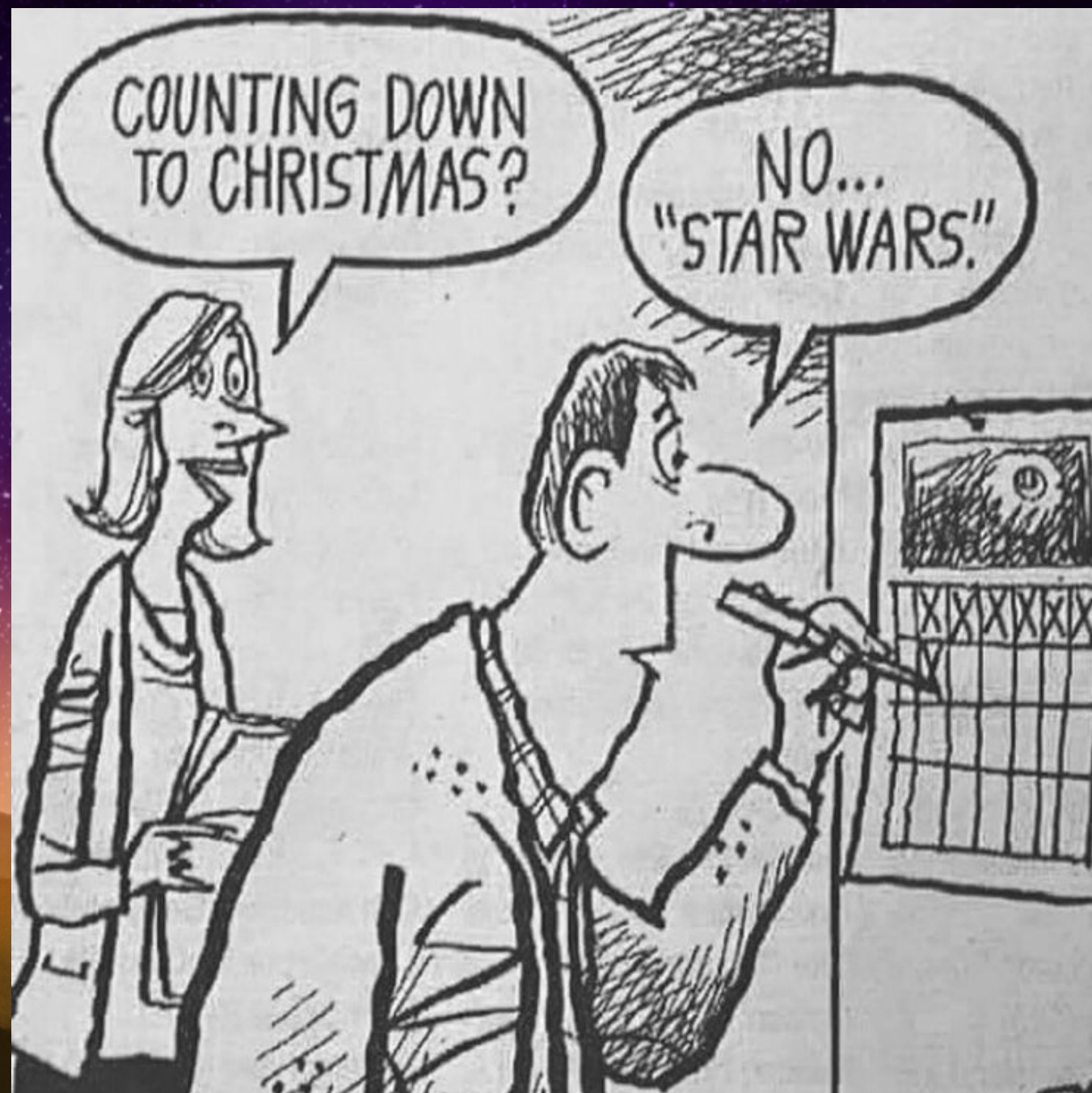
*Hope · Love · Joy · Peace*





**“Advent” means “arrival”  
or “coming” and with it  
implies anticipation.**







## Movies in 2019 :

Toy Story 4

Dumbo

The Lion King

Aladdin

## Me in cinemas in 2019:





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## DISNEY MOVIES DROPPING IN 2019:

Avengers 4

Spider Man: Far From Home

Captain Marvel

Star Wars: Episode 9

Toy Story 4

The Lion King

Frozen 2

Dumbo

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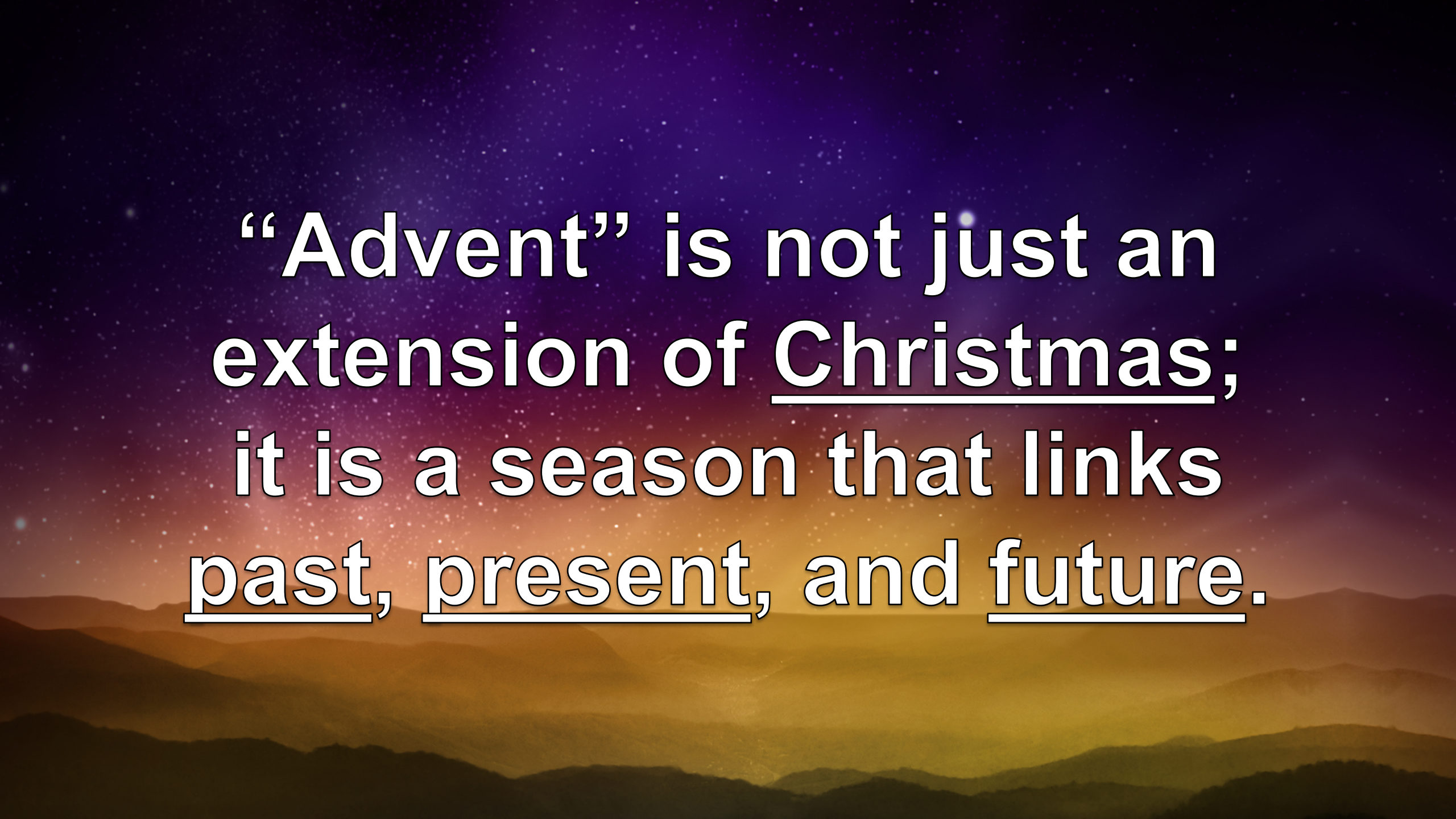
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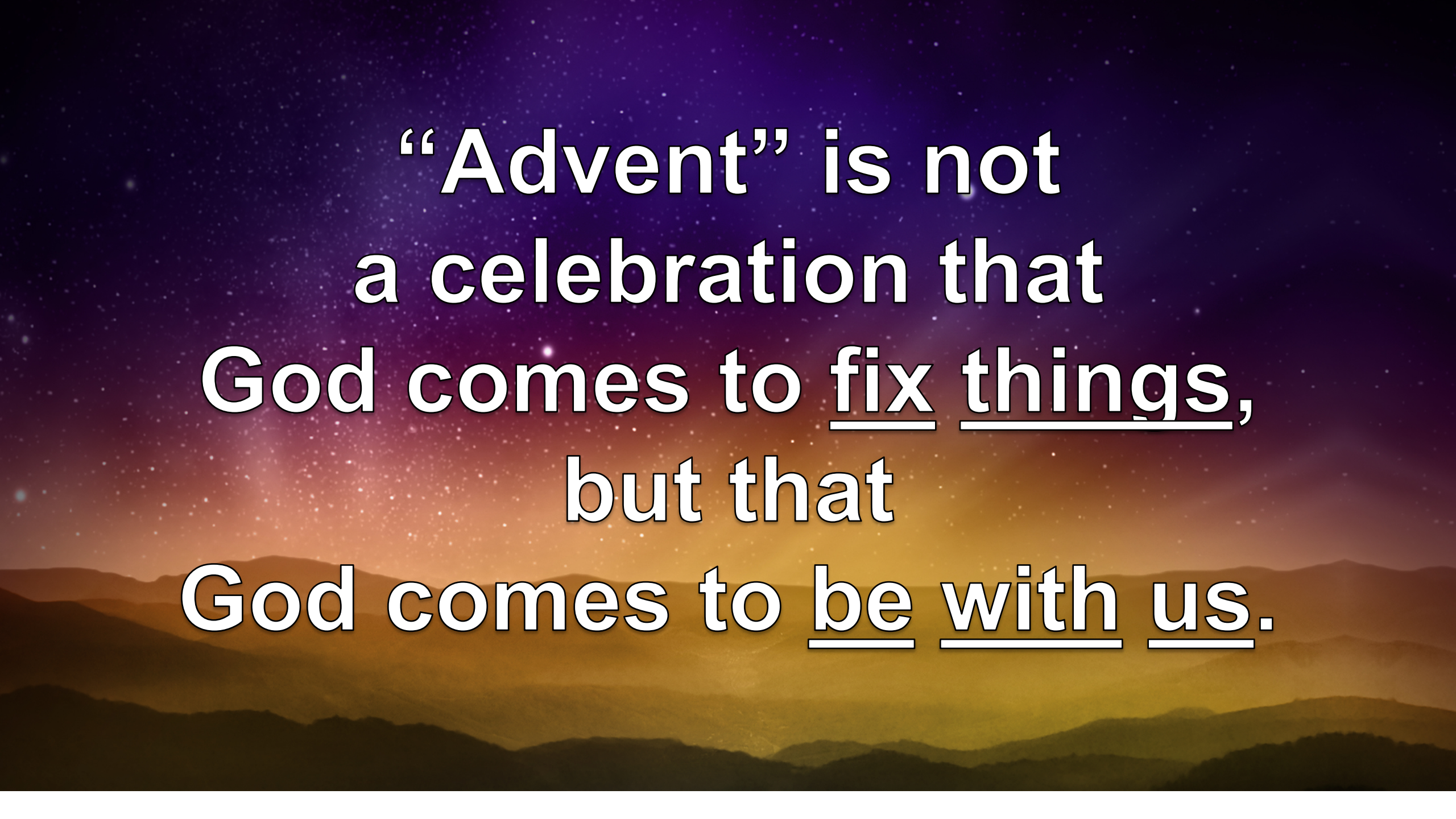






“Advent” is not just an  
extension of Christmas;  
it is a season that links  
past, present, and future.





“Advent” is not  
a celebration that  
God comes to fix things,  
but that  
God comes to be with us.



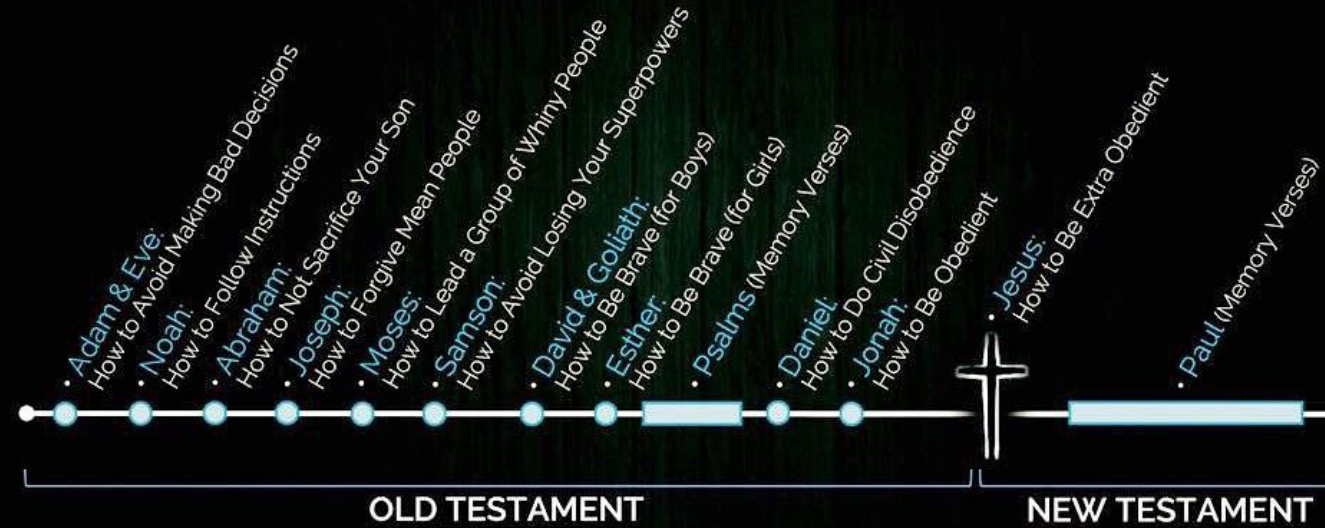
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## HOW THE BIBLE IS TYPICALLY PRESENTED



## HOW THE BIBLE PRESENTS ITSELF





*THE LONG JOURNEY OF HOPE . . . .*

- Starting in the Garden





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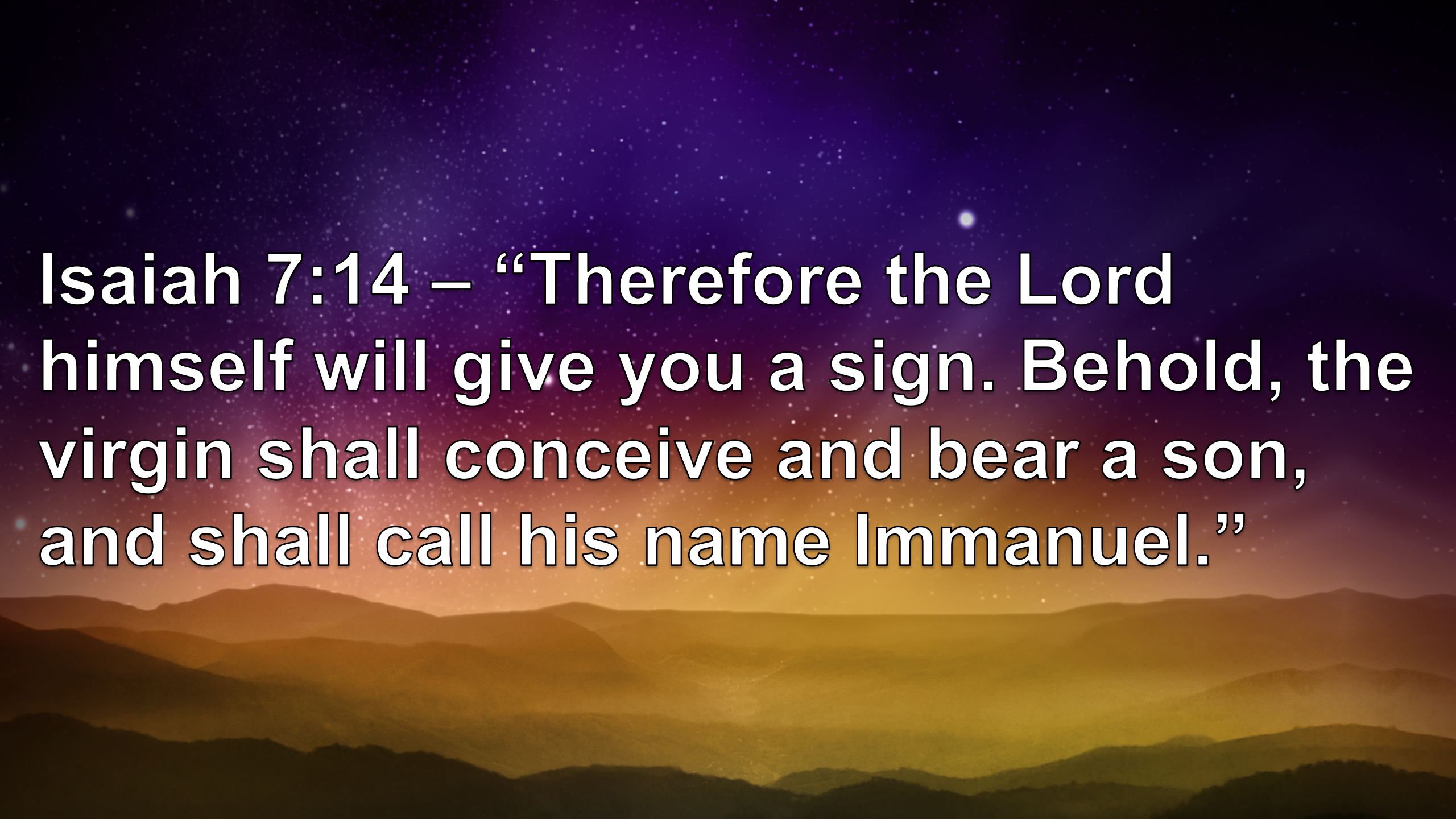
- Starting in the Garden
- Continuing with Abraham



# *THE LONG JOURNEY OF HOPE . . . .*

- Starting in the Garden
- Continuing with Abraham
- Confirmed through the Prophets





Isaiah 7:14 – “Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.”



Isaiah 9:1-2 – “But there will be no gloom for her who was in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he has made glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them light has shone.”



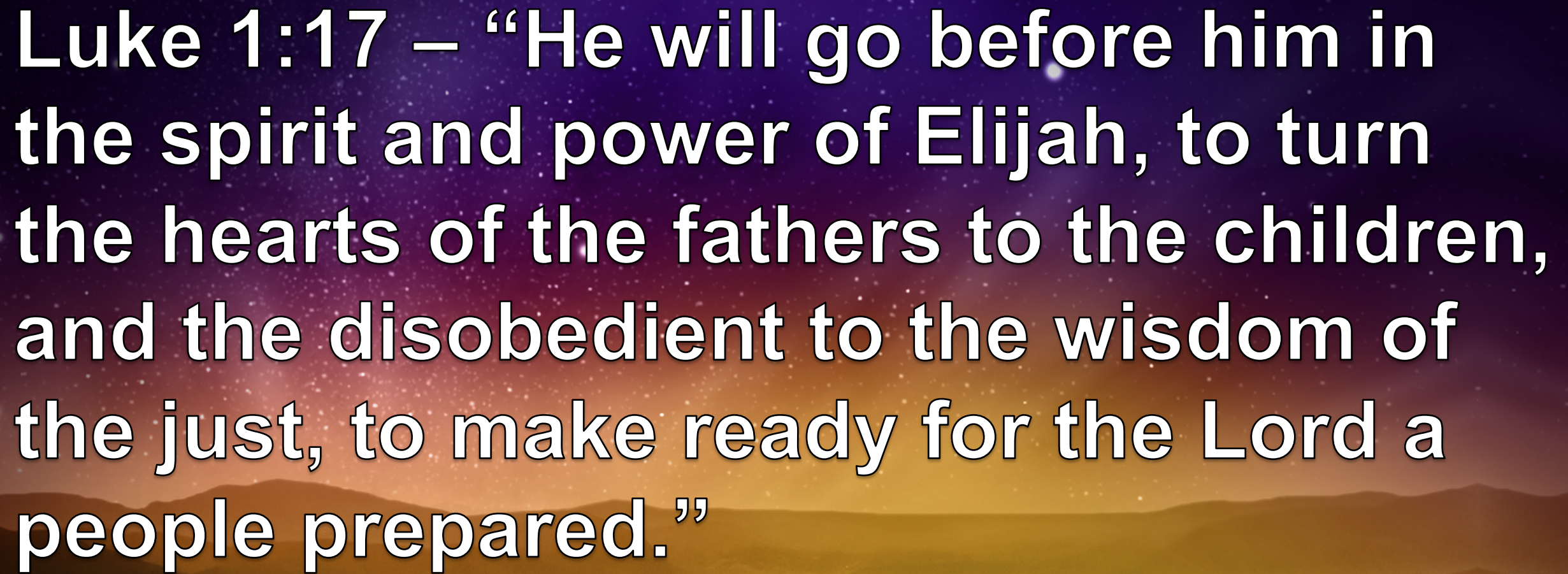
Isaiah 9:6-7 – “For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.”



# *THE LONG JOURNEY OF HOPE . . . .*

- Starting in the Garden
- Continuing with Abraham
- Confirmed through the Prophets
- Foretold to Zechariah





Luke 1:17 – “He will go before him in the spirit and power of Elijah, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, to make ready for the Lord a people prepared.”



# *RECONNECTING TO GOD'S HOPE TODAY . . . .*

## 1) Hope Based on God's Word





Psalm 139:7-12 – “Where shall I go from your Spirit? Or where shall I flee from your presence? If I ascend to heaven, you are there! If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there! If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me. If I say, “Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light about me be night,” even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is bright as the day, for darkness is as light with you.”



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1) Hope Based on God's Word

2) Hope Based on God's Character



# *RECONNECTING TO GOD'S HOPE TODAY . . . .*

- 1) Hope Based on God's Word
- 2) Hope Based on God's Character
- 3) Hope Based on God's Faithfulness



Lamentations 3:21-26 – “But this I call to mind, and therefore I have hope: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. “The Lord is my portion,” says my soul, “therefore I will hope in him.” The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul who seeks him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord.”



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# A SPECK IN THE SEA

A STORY OF SURVIVAL AND RESCUE

"A terrific read—harrowing and inspiring at the same time.  
I couldn't put it down."

—DANIEL JAMES BROWN,  
*New York Times* Bestseller *The Boys in the Boat*

JOHN ALDRIDGE AND  
ANTHONY SOSINSKI




A background illustration of a nativity scene. At the top, a bright blue star with a starburst effect shines against a dark purple and blue night sky filled with smaller stars. Below the star, the words "GOD" and "with Us" are written in white. "GOD" is in a large, bold, serif font, while "with Us" is in a smaller, elegant cursive script. In the lower center, a silhouette of a stable with a thatched roof is shown. Inside the stable, the figures of Mary, Joseph, and the infant Jesus in a manger are visible. A small star hangs from the roof of the stable. The background behind the stable shows rolling hills and a distant city skyline under a warm, orange and yellow glow. 

# GOD *with Us*

# HOPE





May the God of hope fill you with all joy and  
peace in believing, so that by the power of  
the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

**ROMANS 15:13 (ESV)**