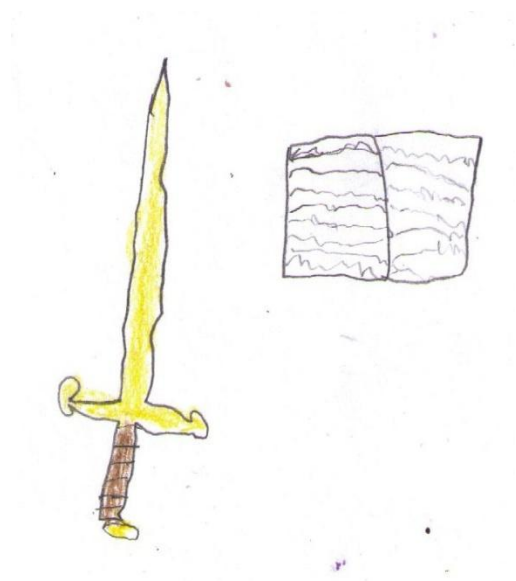


Biblical Theology for KIDS!



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dedicated to
Gramzee and PawPaw
and
Gran and Grandpa
soli Deo gloria

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*In the beginning God created
the heavens and the earth . . . (Genesis 1:1).*

God created all that is.
Therefore, all that is, is His

*And God said, 'Let there be . . .'
(Genesis 1:3).*



God stands at the top of this scene, speaking the world into existence



Adam and Eve wanted to be their own;
Rebellion in their hearts was sown

The serpent said to the woman, 'You will not surely die.' (Genesis 3:4).

She took of its fruit and ate . . . and he ate . . . and the man and his wife hid themselves (Genesis 3:6).

Adam and Eve ate the fruit, then hid themselves.

rebellion

Judgment to the snake God spoke,
And hope in Adam's heart awoke.

God called to the man . . . 'Where are you?' (Genesis 3:9).

To the serpent . . . cursed are you . . . I will put enmity between . . . your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel (Genesis 3:14–15).

To the woman . . . pain in childbearing . . . your desire shall be for your husband, and he shall rule over you . . . (Genesis 3:16).

To Adam . . . cursed is the ground because of you; in pain you shall eat of it . . . thorns and thistles it shall bring forth . . . for you are dust, and to dust you shall return (Genesis 3:17–19).



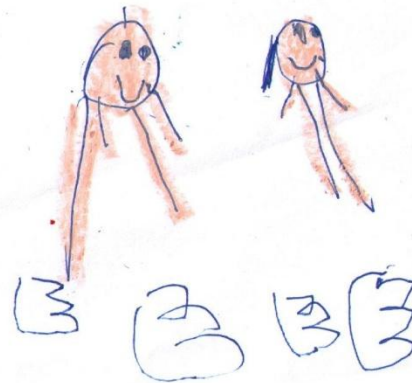
God appears in royal robes of purple to pronounce judgment on the transgressors.

So, "mother of the living," he named his wife,
For her seed is the source of life.

*The man called his wife's name Eve,
because she was the mother of all living
(Genesis 3:20).*

*And the LORD God made for Adam and for
his wife garments of skins and clothed them
(Genesis 3:21).*

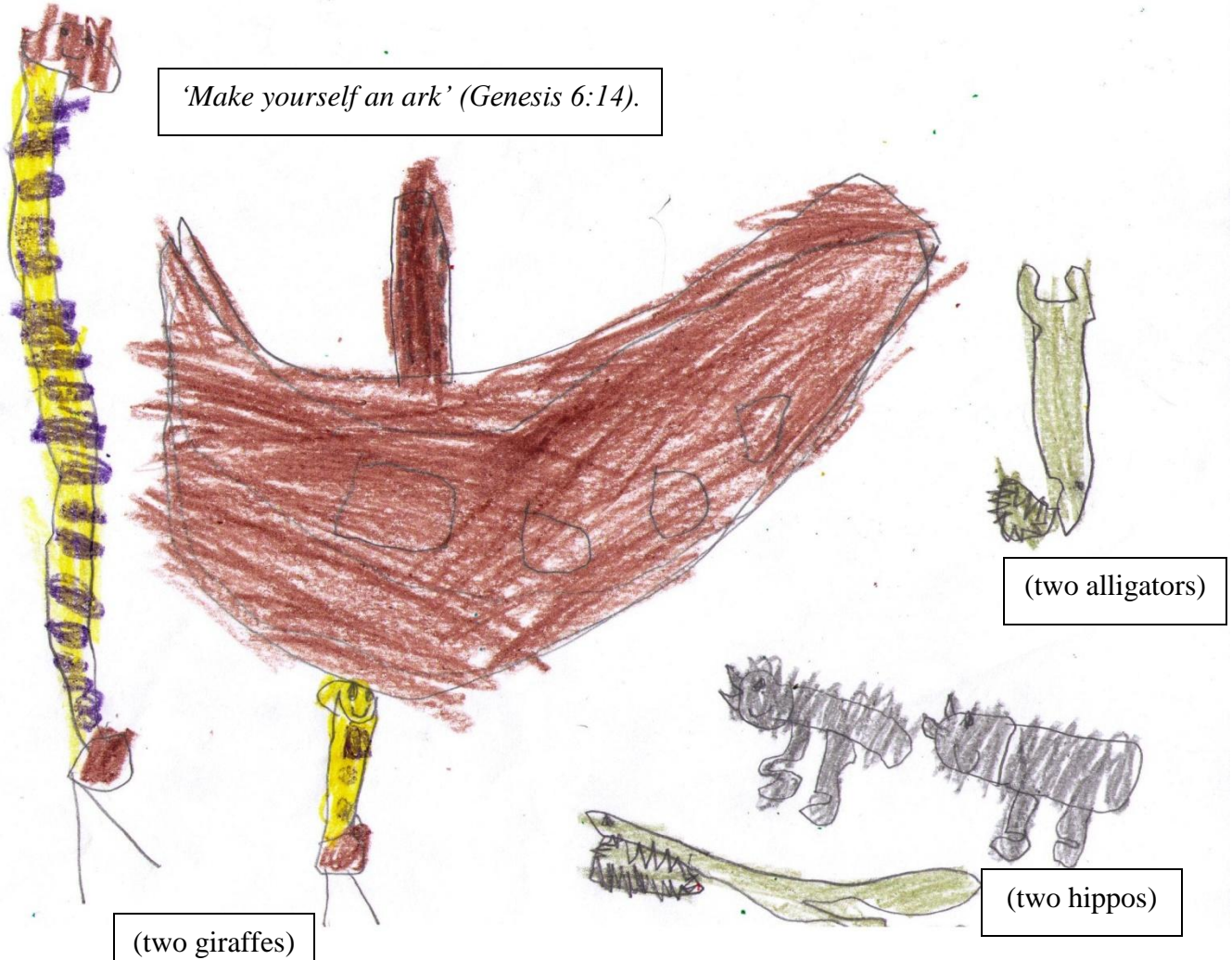
*the LORD God sent him out from the garden of
Eden . . . and at the east of the garden of Eden he
placed the cherubim and a flaming sword that
turned every way to guard the way to the tree of
life (Genesis 3:23–24).*



A Cherubim with a flaming sword guards the way to the tree of life as Adam and Eve leave the garden.

People never did do good,
But God saved Noah at the flood.

'Make yourself an ark' (Genesis 6:14).



(two giraffes)

(two alligators)

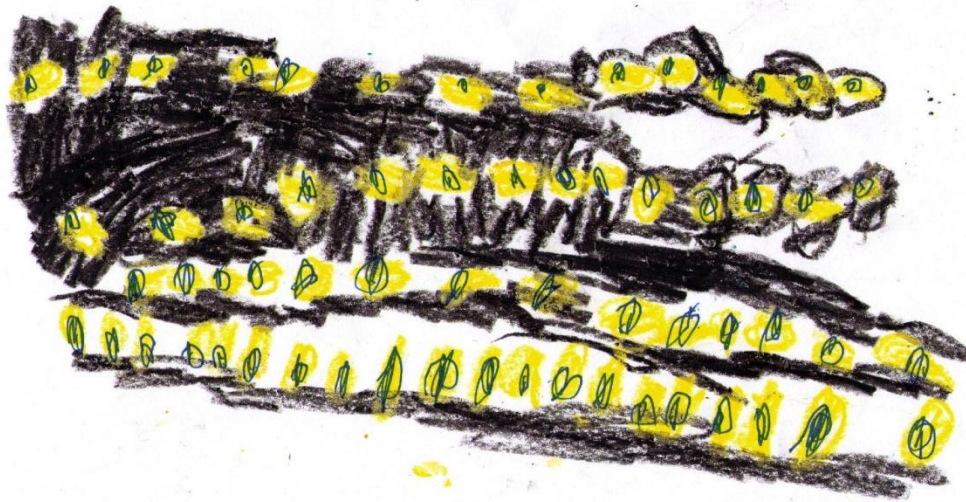
(two hippos)

*'And of every living thing of all flesh, you
shall bring two of every sort into the ark'
(Genesis 6:19).*

*'This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me
and you . . . for all future generations: I have set my bow
in the cloud, and it shall be a sign of the covenant . . .'
(Genesis 9:12-13).*

Land, seed, and blessing God promised to Abram,
And the nations, also, would be blessed in him.

'I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed'
(Genesis 12:1–3).



'Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them' . . . 'So shall your offspring be.'
And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness
(Genesis 15:5–6).



Abram sees the stars in the night sky.

From Egypt God his people saved,
And at Sinai, the Law he gave.



And the people of Israel went into the midst of the sea on dry ground, the waters being a wall to them on their right hand and on their left (Exodus 14:22).



And God spoke all these words, saying, I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. You shall have no other gods before me . . . (Exodus 20:1–3).

Then by God's power the land they took,
But then, their good God they forsook.

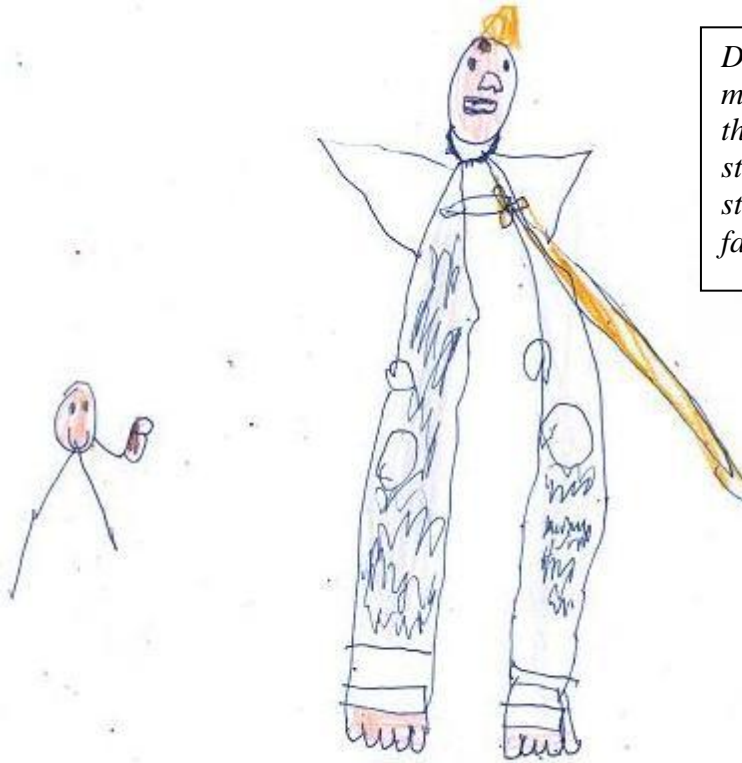
So Joshua took the whole land, according to all that the LORD had spoken to Moses. And Joshua gave it for an inheritance to Israel according to their tribal allotments. And the land had rest from war (Joshua 11:23).



Thus the LORD gave to Israel all the land that he swore to give to their fathers. . . . And the LORD gave them rest on every side just as he had sworn to their fathers. . . . Not one word of all the good promises that the LORD had made to the house of Israel failed; all came to pass (Joshua 21:43–45).

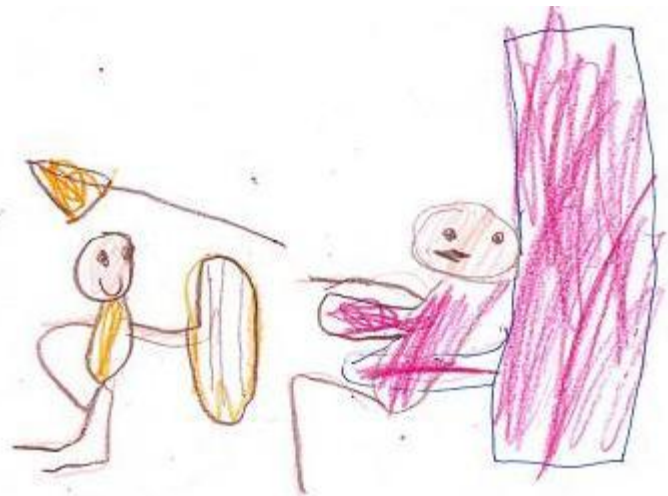
And the LORD said to Samuel, ' . . . they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. According to all the deeds that they have done, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt even to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods . . .' (1 Samuel 8:7–8).

God raised up David as their king,
God's rich mercy, he did sing.



David ran quickly toward the battle line to meet the Philistine. And David put his hand in the bag and took out a stone and slung it and struck the Philistine on his forehead. The stone sank into his forehead, and he fell on his face to the ground (1 Samuel 17:49).

And Saul hurled the spear, for he thought, 'I will pin David to the wall.' But David evaded him twice (1 Samuel 18:11).



David's sons forsook the Lord
And did not keep his holy word,

*For when Solomon was old his wives
turned away his heart after other gods,
and his heart was not wholly true to the
LORD his God, as was the heart of
David his father (1 Kings 11:4).*



*In those days the LORD began to cut off
parts of Israel . . . (2 Kings 10:32).*

The people kept not God's command
And he drove them from the land.

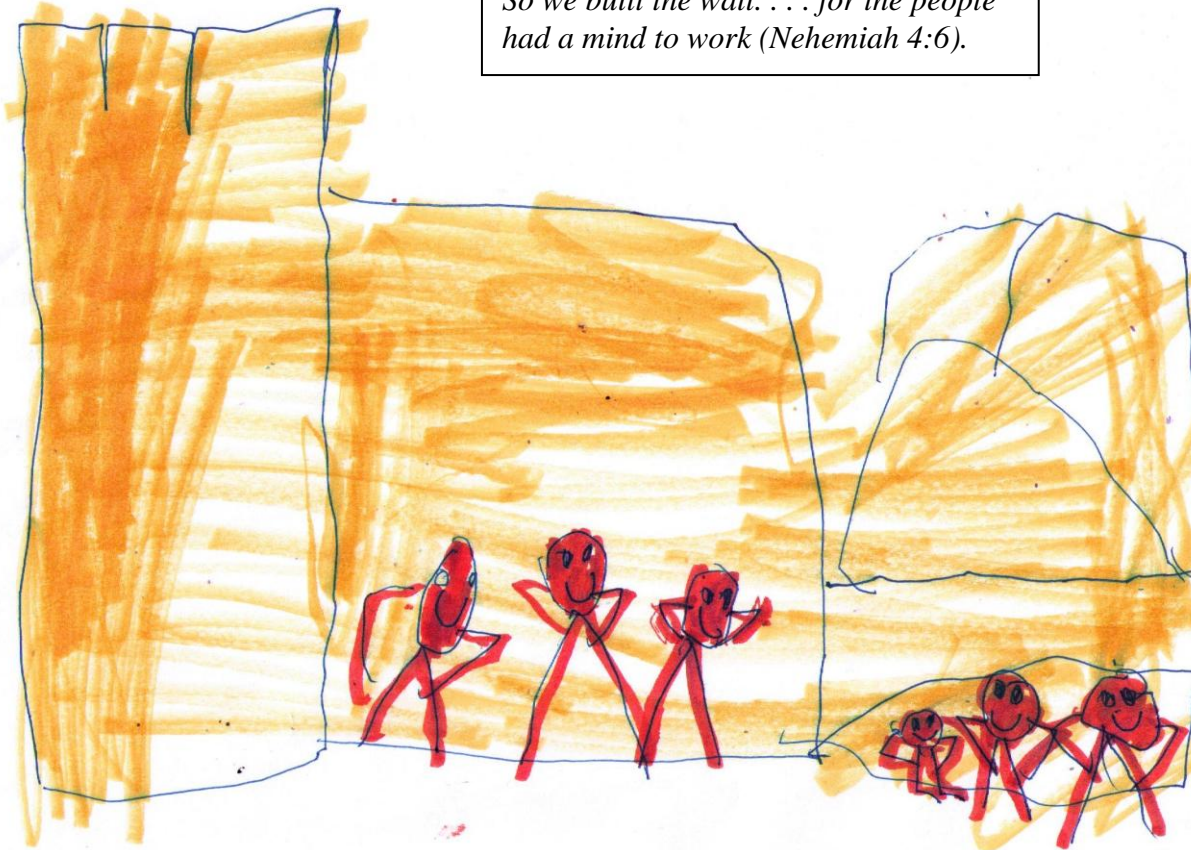
And the LORD said, 'I will remove Judah also out of my sight, as I have removed Israel, and I will cast off this city that I have chosen, Jerusalem, and the house of which I said, My name shall be there' (2 Kings 23:27).



In the fifth month . . . Nebuzaradan . . . a servant of the king of Babylon, came to Jerusalem. And he burned the house of the LORD and the King's house and all the houses of Jerusalem; every great house he burned down. And all the army of the Chaldeans, who were with the captain of the guard, broke down the walls around Jerusalem. And the rest of the people . . . and the deserters . . . together with the rest of the multitude, Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard carried into exile (2 Kings 25:8–11).

Then from exile they returned
And for Messiah they did yearn

*So we built the wall. . . for the people
had a mind to work (Nehemiah 4:6).*



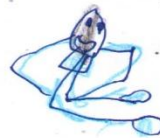
*Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD,
when I will raise up for David a righteous
Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal
wisely, and shall execute justice and
righteousness in the Land (Jeremiah 23:5).*

*Behold, I send my messenger and he will prepare the way before
me. And the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his
temple; and the messenger of the covenant in whom you delight,
behold, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts (Malachi 3:1).*

And so at last God's Son was sent.
On an unexpected path he went.



In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. And the virgin's name was Mary (Luke 1:26–27).



The Lord of all, obedient and humble,
Never did he sin or stumble.

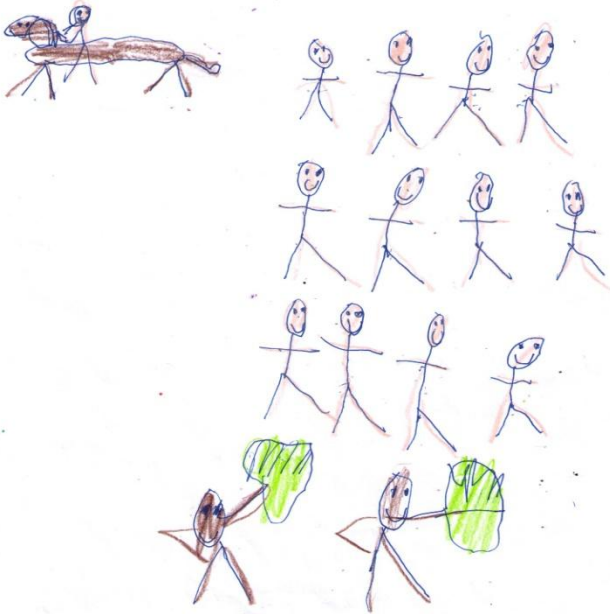


And Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness for forty days, being tempted by the devil. . . . And when the devil had ended every temptation, he departed from him until an opportune time (Luke 4:1–2, 13).

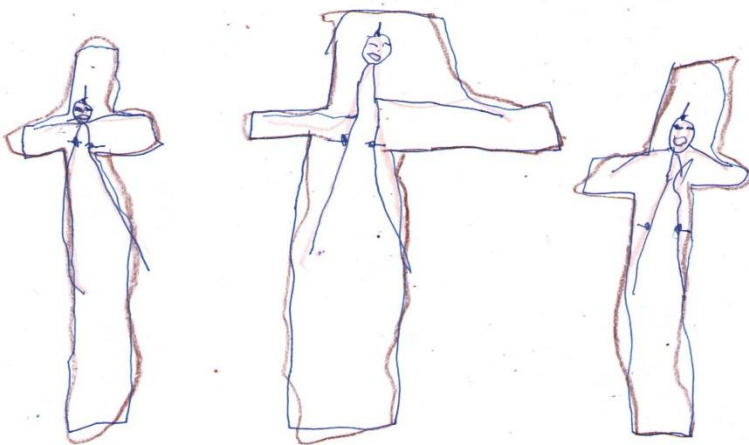
For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin (Hebrews 4:15).

Satan slithers into the wilderness to tempt Jesus.

On the cross he paid for sin,
Jesus, Savior of all men,



Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, 'Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!' And when he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up . . . (Matthew 21:8–10).



And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left (Luke 23:33).

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God (2 Corinthians 5:21).

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed (1 Peter 2:24).

From the grave he rose again
Conquering death and hell and sin

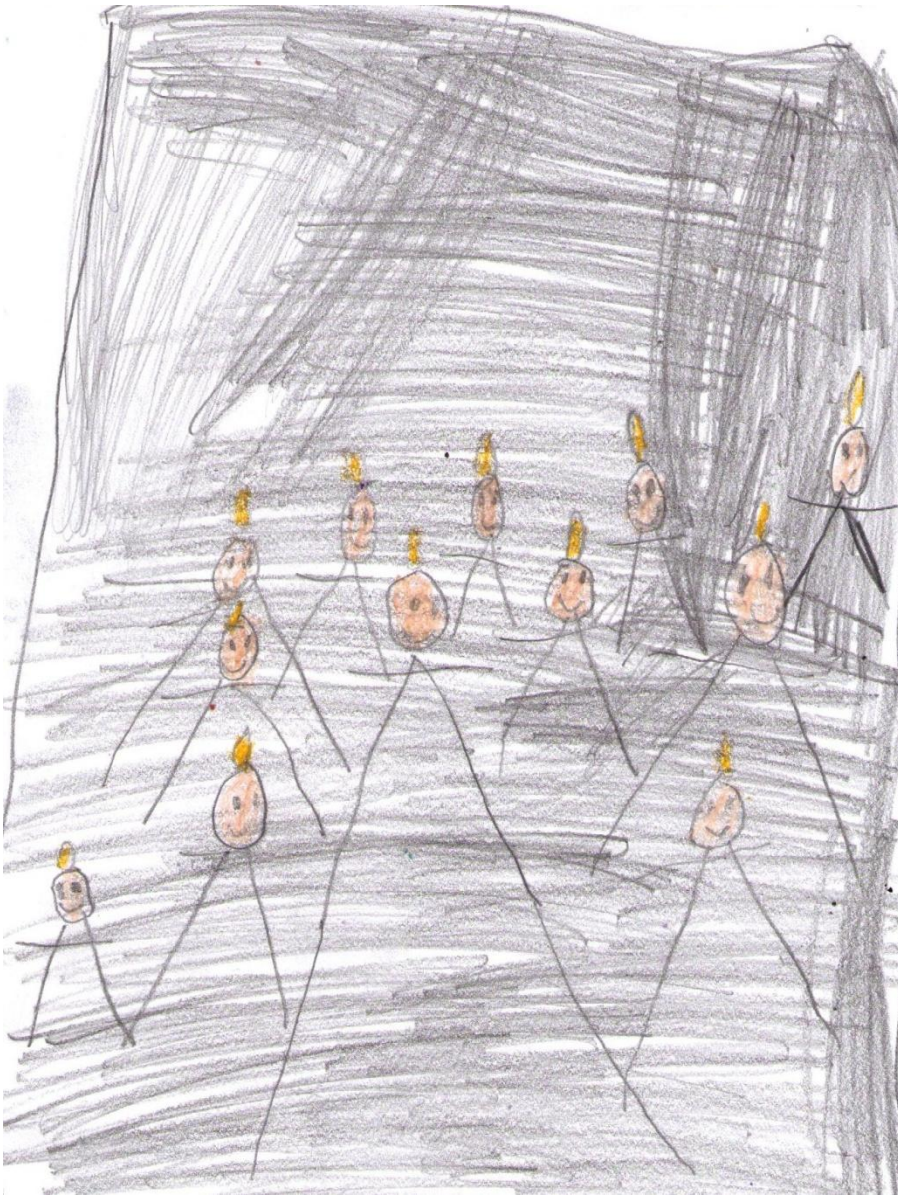


So they went and made the tomb secure by sealing the stone and setting a guard (Matthew 27:66).



And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. . . . And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, ' . . . He is not here, for he has risen, as he said.' (Matthew 28:2, 4-6).

To build the church he sent the Spirit.
What good news! All should hear it.



And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age' (Matthew 28:18–20).

And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance (Acts 2:3–4).

For one day he will come again
As king, and he will judge all men.

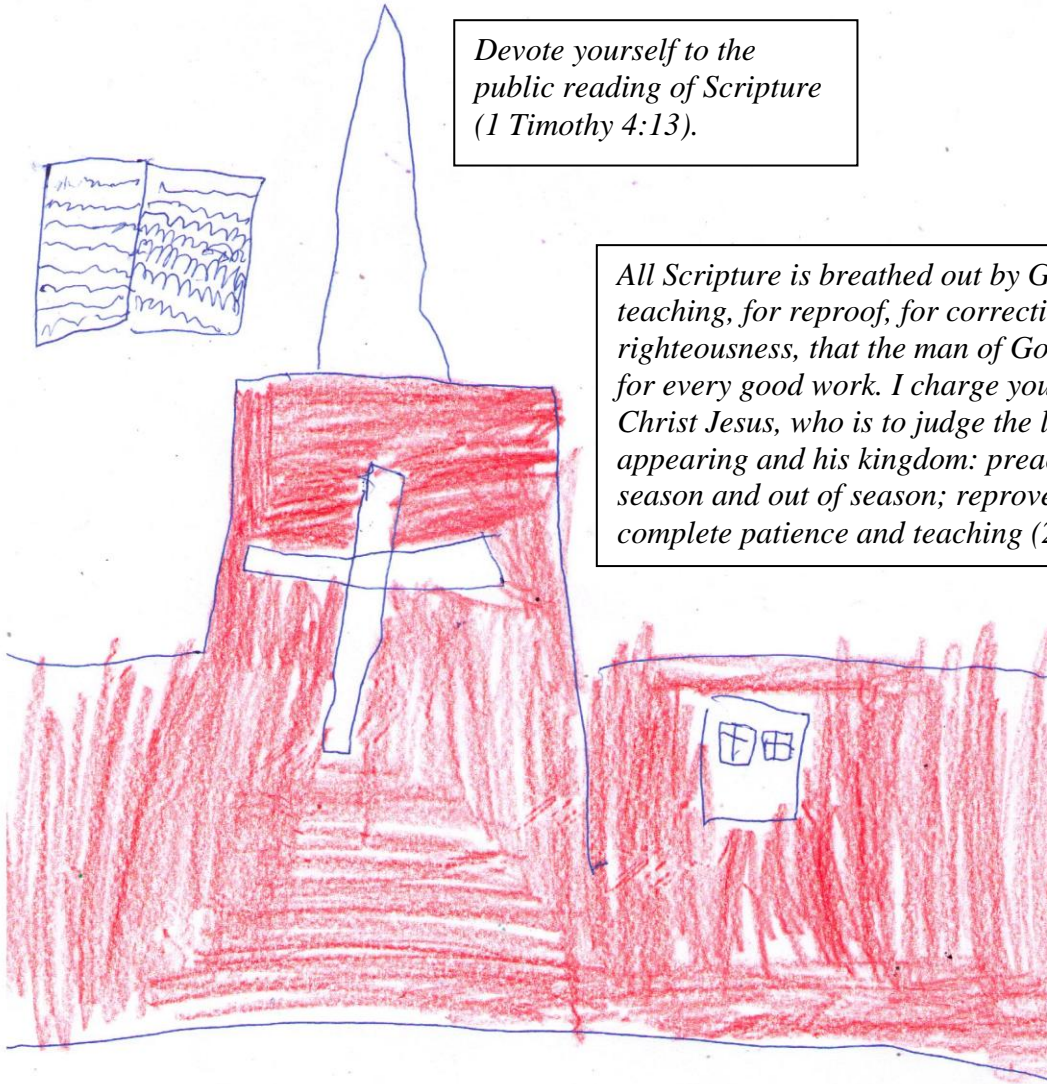


*Then I saw heaven opened,
and behold, a white horse!
The one sitting on it is called
Faithful and True, and in
righteousness he judges and
makes war. His eyes are like a
flame of fire, and on his head
are many diadems, and he has
a name written that no one
knows but himself. He is
clothed in a robe dipped in
blood, and the name by which
he is called is The Word of
God. And the armies of
heaven, arrayed in fine linen,
white and pure, were
following him on white horses
(Revelation 19:11–14).*

So let us trust in Christ the Lord
And hold fast to his holy word.

*Devote yourself to the
public reading of Scripture
(1 Timothy 4:13).*

*All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for
teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in
righteousness, that the man of God may be competent, equipped
for every good work. I charge you in the presence of God and of
Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by his
appearing and his kingdom: preach the word; be ready in
season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with
complete patience and teaching (2 Timothy 3:16–4:2).*



*And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to
give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified (Acts 20:32).*

*I will build my church, and the gates of hell
shall not prevail against it (Matthew 16:18).*

Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth (John 17:17).

A Note To Parents

The rhymes of this book seek to capture the big events of the Bible's story. My hope is that knowing these big events will put landmarks in the minds of children and their parents so that they will be able to find their way around and know where they are in the true story of the whole world, the Bible. Many of the pages of this book have a small word in the bottom right hand corner. Those words are keyed to this list of the big events of the Bible illustrated in this book:

THE SALVATION HISTORICAL STORYLINE

Creation	(Gen 1–2)	
Rebellion	(Gen 3)	
Promise	(Gen 3:15)	
Flood	(Gen 6–9)	—Covenant with Noah
Blessing	(Gen 12:1–3)	—Covenant with Abraham

The Old Covenant: Preparation

Exodus	(Exod–Deut)	—Covenant with Israel
Conquest	(Josh)	
Monarchy	(Judg–Kgs, 2 Sam 7)	—Covenant with David
Exile	(Isa–Ezek, Hos–Zeph)	
Return	(Ezra–Neh, Hag–Mal)	

The New Covenant: Inauguration

Jesus	(Gospels)
Cross	
Resurrection	
Pentecost	
Church	(Acts, Epistles)

The New Covenant: Consummation

Jesus' Return	(Revelation)
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May the word of Christ dwell in us richly (Col 3:16).