

BIBLE STUDY

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LUKE

Hebrews 1

¹ Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, ² but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son,

- whom he appointed the heir of all things,
- through whom also he created the world.
- ³ He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature,
- and he upholds the universe by the word of his power.
- After making purification for sins,
- he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,
- ⁴ having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

⁵ For to which of the angels did God ever say,

Or again [God says],

⁶ And again, when he [God] brings the firstborn into the world, he [God] says,

⁷ Of the angels he [God] says,

⁸ But of the Son he [God] says,

¹⁰ And [of the Son] he [God] says,

“You, Lord, laid the foundation of the earth in the beginning,
and the heavens are the work of your hands;

¹³ And to which of the angels has he [God] ever said,

Jacob's Ladder

Genesis 28:10-17 [Jacob is fleeing to Haran, the place where his mother Rebecca comes from. He has just deceived his father and stolen his brother Esau's blessing.]

Then Jacob departed from [his mother and father] and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and spent the night there, because the sun had set; and he took one of the stones of the place and put it under his head, and lay down in that place. He had a dream, and behold, a ladder was set on the earth with its top reaching to heaven; and behold, the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And behold, Yahweh stood above it and said, "I am Yahweh, the God of your father Abraham and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie, I will give it to you and to your descendants. Your descendants will also be like the dust of the earth and you will spread out to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and in you and in your descendants shall all the families of the earth be blessed.

And Jesus

John 1:43-51 Jesus purposed to go into Galilee, and He found Philip. And Jesus said to him, "Follow Me." Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found Him of whom Moses in the Law and also the Prophets wrote—Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." Nathanael said to him, "Can any good thing come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." Jesus saw Nathanael coming to Him, and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael said to Him, "How do You know me?" Jesus answered and said to him, "Because I said to you that I saw you under the fig tree, do you believe? You will see greater things than these." And He said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see the heavens opened and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man."

Numbers 21

And the people became impatient on the way. ⁵ And the people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food." ⁶ Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. ⁷ And the people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you. Pray to the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. ⁸ And the LORD said to Moses, "Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he looks at it, shall live." ⁹ So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

John 3

¹⁴ And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵ that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

¹⁶ "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷ For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. ¹⁸ Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.

John 3:16-18

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Numbers 21:4-9

For Yahweh so loved His people that He gave them the bronze serpent, that anyone of His people who looked at the bronze serpent should not die but live. For Yahweh did not give His people the bronze serpent to have His people die, but in order that His people might live through it. Whoever of His people looked at it did not die, but whoever did not look would die because he had not looked at the bronze serpent.

2 Kings 1

² Now Ahaziah fell through the lattice in his upper chamber in Samaria, and lay sick; so he sent messengers, telling them, "Go, inquire of Baal-zebub, the god of Ekron, whether I shall recover from this sickness." ³ But the angel of the LORD said to Elijah the Tishbite, "Arise, go up to meet the messengers of the king of Samaria, and say to them, 'Is it because there is no God in Israel that you are going to inquire of Baal-zebub, the god of Ekron?' ⁴ Now therefore thus says the LORD, You shall not come down from the bed to which you have gone up, but you shall surely die.'" So Elijah went.

⁵ The messengers returned to the king, and he said to them, "Why have you returned?" ⁶ And they said to him, "There came a man to meet us, and said to us, 'Go back to the king who sent you, and say to him, Thus says the LORD, Is it because there is no God in Israel that you are sending to inquire of Baal-zebub, the god of Ekron? Therefore you shall not come down from the bed to which you have gone up, but you shall surely die.'" ⁷ He said to them, "What kind of man was he who came to meet you and told you these things?" ⁸ They answered him, "**He wore a garment of hair (hairy garment), with a belt of leather about his waist.**" And he said, "It is Elijah the Tishbite."

Malachi

3:1 **"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..."
Mal. 4:5 **"Behold, I will send you Elijah** the prophet before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes..."

Mark 1

² As it is written in Isaiah the prophet [and Malachi],^a

"Behold, I send my messenger before your face, who will prepare your way," ³ the voice of one crying in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight,'"

⁴ John appeared, baptizing in the wilderness and proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵ And all the country of Judea and all Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁶ Now **John was clothed with camel's hair and wore a leather belt around his waist** and ate locusts and wild honey.

Exodus 16

14 [In the morning], when the layer of dew evaporated, behold, on the surface of the wilderness there was a fine flake-like thing...

15 When the sons of Israel saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. And Moses said to them, "It is the bread which Yahweh has given you to eat.

16 "This is what Yahweh has commanded, 'Gather of it every man as much as he should eat...he who had gathered much had no excess, and he who had gathered little had no lack; every man gathered as much as he should eat. ...22 Now on the sixth day they gathered twice as much bread...Moses said to them, "Tomorrow is a sabbath observance, a holy Sabbath to Yahweh, Bake what you will bake and boil what you will boil, and all that is left over put aside until morning...

Psalms 78:24

Yahweh rained down manna upon them to eat
And gave them bread from heaven.

2 Kings 4

42 Now a man...brought the man of God (Elisha) bread of the first fruits, twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. And Elisha said, "Give them to the people that they may eat." 43 His attendant said, "What, will I set this before a hundred men?" But Elisha said, "Give them to the people that they may eat, for thus says Yahweh, 'They shall eat and have some left over.'" 44 So he set it before them, and they ate and had some left over, according to the word of Yahweh.

Mark 8

In those days, when again a great crowd had gathered, and they had nothing to eat, he called his disciples to him and said to them, ² "I have compassion on the crowd, because they have been with me now three days and have nothing to eat. ³ And if I send them away hungry to their homes, they will faint on the way. And some of them have come from far away." ⁴ And his disciples answered him, "How can one feed these people with bread here in this wilderness?" ⁵ And he asked them, "How many loaves of bread do you have?" They said, "Seven." ⁶ And he directed the crowd to sit down on the ground. And he took the seven loaves of bread, and having given thanks, he broke them and gave them to his disciples to set before the people; and they set them before the crowd. ⁷ And they had a few small fish. And having blessed them, he said that these also should be set before them. ⁸ And they ate and were satisfied. And they took up the broken pieces left over, seven baskets full.

Genesis 35

¹⁶ Then they journeyed from Bethel. When they were still some distance^[a] from Ephrath, Rachel went into labor, and she had hard labor. ¹⁷ And when her labor was at its hardest, the midwife said to her, “Do not fear, for you have another son.” ¹⁸ And as her soul was departing (for she was dying), she called his name Ben-oni;^[b] but his father called him Benjamin.^[c] ¹⁹ So Rachel died, and she was buried on the way to Ephrath (that is, Bethlehem), ²⁰ and Jacob set up a pillar over her tomb. It is the pillar of Rachel's tomb, which is there to this day.

Jeremiah 31

¹⁵ Thus says the LORD:

“A voice is heard in Ramah,
lamentation and bitter weeping.
Rachel is weeping for her children;
she refuses to be comforted for
her children,
because they are no more.”

Matthew 2

¹⁶ Then Herod, when he saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, became furious, and he sent and killed all the male children in Bethlehem and in all that region who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had ascertained from the wise men. ¹⁷ Then was fulfilled what was spoken by the prophet Jeremiah:

¹⁸ “A voice was heard in Ramah,
weeping and loud lamentation,
Rachel weeping for her children;
she refused to be comforted,
because they are no more.”

¹⁹ But when Herod died, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt,²⁰ saying, “Rise, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel, for those who sought the child's life are dead.” ²¹ And he rose and took the child and his mother and went to the land of Israel.

Daniel 6

¹⁰When Daniel knew that the document had been signed, he went to his house...He got down on his knees three times a day and prayed and gave thanks before his God, as he had done previously. ¹¹Then these men came by agreement and found Daniel making petition and plea before his God. ¹³Then they said before the king, "Daniel, who is one of the exiles from Judah, pays no attention to you, O king, or the injunction you have signed, but makes his petition three times a day."

¹⁴Then the king, when he heard these words, was much distressed and set his mind to deliver Daniel. And he labored till the sun went down to rescue him. ¹⁶Then the king commanded, and Daniel was brought and cast into the den of lions. The king declared to Daniel, "May your God, whom you serve continually, deliver you!" ¹⁷And a stone was brought and laid on the mouth of the den, and the king sealed it with his own signet and with the signet of his lords, that nothing might be changed concerning Daniel.

Matthew 26

³⁶Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to his disciples, "Sit here, while I go over there and pray." ⁴²Again, for the second time, he went away and prayed, "My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done." ⁴³And again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy. ⁴⁴So, leaving them again, he went away and prayed for the third time, saying the same words again. ⁴⁵Then he came to the disciples and said to them, "Sleep and take your rest later on.^[b] See, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners.⁴⁶ Rise, let us be going; see, my betrayer is at hand." ⁴⁷While he was still speaking, Judas came...

Matthew 27

⁵⁹And Joseph took the body ... ⁶⁰and laid it in his own new tomb... And he rolled a great stone to the entrance of the tomb and went away ...The chief priests and the Pharisees gathered before Pilate ⁶³and said, "Sir, we remember how that impostor said, 'After three days I will rise.'⁶⁴ Therefore order the tomb to be made secure until the third day... first." ⁶⁵Pilate said to them, "You have a guard^[a] of soldiers. Go, make it as secure as you can." ⁶⁶So they went and made the tomb secure by sealing the stone and setting a guard.

Samuel, a Prophet Like Jesus

1 Samuel 2:26; 3:1-19

2:26 Now the boy Samuel was growing in stature and in favor both with Yahweh and with men.

3:1 Now the boy Samuel was ministering to Yahweh before Eli....and Samuel was lying down in the temple of Yahweh...4Yahweh called Samuel; and Samuel said, "Here I am." 5 Then he ran to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But Eli said, "I did not call, lie down again." So he went and lay down. 6 Yahweh called yet again, "Samuel!" So Samuel arose and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he answered, "I did not call, my son, lie down again." ...8 So Yahweh called Samuel again for the third time. And he arose and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli discerned that Yahweh was calling the boy. 9 And Eli said to Samuel, "Go lie down, and it shall be if He calls you, that you shall say, 'Speak, Yahweh, for Your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. 10 Then Yahweh came and stood and called as at the other times, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for Your servant is listening."

[The boy Samuel listens to the message from God which he then relays to Eli].

19 Thus Samuel grew and Yahweh was with him...

Luke 2:40-52

40 The Child Jesus continued to grow and become strong, increasing in wisdom; and the grace/favor of God was upon Him.

41 Now His parents went to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover. 42 And when He became twelve, they went up there according to the custom of the Feast; 43 and as they were returning, after spending the full number of days, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. But His parents were unaware of it, 44 but supposed Him to be in the caravan, and went a day's journey; and they began seeking Him among their relatives and acquaintances. 45 When they did not find Him, they returned to Jerusalem seeking Him.

46 Then, after three days they found Him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, both listening to them and asking them questions. 47 And all who heard Him were amazed at His understanding and His answers.

48 When they saw Him, they were astonished; and His mother said to Him, "Son, why have You treated us this way? Behold, Your father and I have been anxiously seeking You." 49 And He said to them, "Why is it that you were seeking Me? Did you not know that I must be about My Father's business?"

...52 And Jesus kept increasing in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men.