

### MATTHEW 1

<sup>18</sup> Now the birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. 19 And her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly.

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<sup>20</sup> But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. 21 She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins."

## ROMANS 8

<sup>18</sup> For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is going to be revealed to us. 19 For the creation eagerly waits with anticipation for God's sons to be revealed. 20 For the creation was subjected to futility-not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it-

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in the hope <sup>21</sup> that the creation itself will also be set free from the bondage of corruption into the glorious freedom of God's children. <sup>22</sup> For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together with labor pains until now.



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<sup>23</sup> And not only that, but we ourselves who have the Spirit as the firstfruits—we also groan within ourselves, eagerly waiting for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. 24 Now in this hope we were saved, yet hope that is seen is not hope, because who hopes for what he sees?

## JEREMIAH 17:13

13 O Lord, the hope of Israel



## 1 PETER 3:15

holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect,

### 2 CORINTHIANS 2:15-16

<sup>15</sup> For we are the aroma of Christ to God among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing, <sup>16</sup> to one a fragrance from death to death, to the other a fragrance from life to life

### MICAH 6:8

The Lord God has told us what is right and what he demands:

"See that justice is done,"

"See that justice is done, let mercy be your first concern, and humbly obey your God."

