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DEFINED

"TO LISTEN ATTENTIVELY OR TO PAY CLOSE ATTENTION,
OFTEN USED TO URGE SOMEONE TO LISTEN."



LUKE 2:10-11 NLT

¹⁰BUT THE ANGEL REASSURED THEM. "DON'T BE AFRAID!" HE SAID. "I BRING YOU GOOD NEWS THAT WILL BRING GREAT JOY TO ALL PEOPLE. ¹¹THE SAVIOR — YES, THE MESSIAH, THE LORD — HAS BEEN BORN TODAY IN BETHLEHEM, THE CITY OF DAVID!"



WHO NEEDS ALL THIS GOOD NEWS
AND GREAT JOY?



THIS EXCEEDING GREAT MESSAGE OF
A SAVIOR, MESSIAH, AND LORD WAS
FOR ALL OF US!



LUKE 5:27-32 NLT

²⁷LATER, AS JESUS LEFT THE TOWN, HE SAW A TAX COLLECTOR NAMED LEVI SITTING AT HIS TAX COLLECTOR'S BOOTH. "FOLLOW ME AND BE MY DISCIPLE," JESUS SAID TO HIM. ²⁸SO LEVI GOT UP, LEFT EVERYTHING, AND FOLLOWED HIM.

²⁹ LATER, LEVI HELD A BANQUET IN HIS HOME WITH JESUS AS THE GUEST OF HONOR. MANY OF LEVI'S FELLOW TAX COLLECTORS AND OTHER GUESTS ALSO ATE WITH THEM.

³⁰BUT THE PHARISEES AND THEIR TEACHERS OF RELIGIOUS LAW COMPLAINED BITTERLY TO JESUS' DISCIPLES, "WHY DO YOU EAT AND DRINK WITH SUCH SCUM?"



LUKE 5:27-32 NLT

³¹JESUS ANSWERED THEM, "HEALTHY PEOPLE DON'T NEED A DOCTOR—SICK PEOPLE DO. ³²I HAVE COME TO CALL NOT THOSE WHO THINK THEY ARE RIGHTEOUS, BUT THOSE WHO KNOW THEY ARE SINNERS AND NEED TO REPENT."



BREAKING DOWN
THE UNIVERSAL MESSAGE



THE CONCEPT OF A "UNIVERSAL MESSAGE" IN THE BIBLE
★ REFERS TO THE IDEA THAT THE TEACHINGS, PROMISES, AND
SALVATION OFFERED THROUGH SCRIPTURE ARE INTENDED
FOR ALL OF HUMANITY, TRANSCENDING CULTURAL,
ETHNIC, AND GEOGRAPHICAL BOUNDARIES.

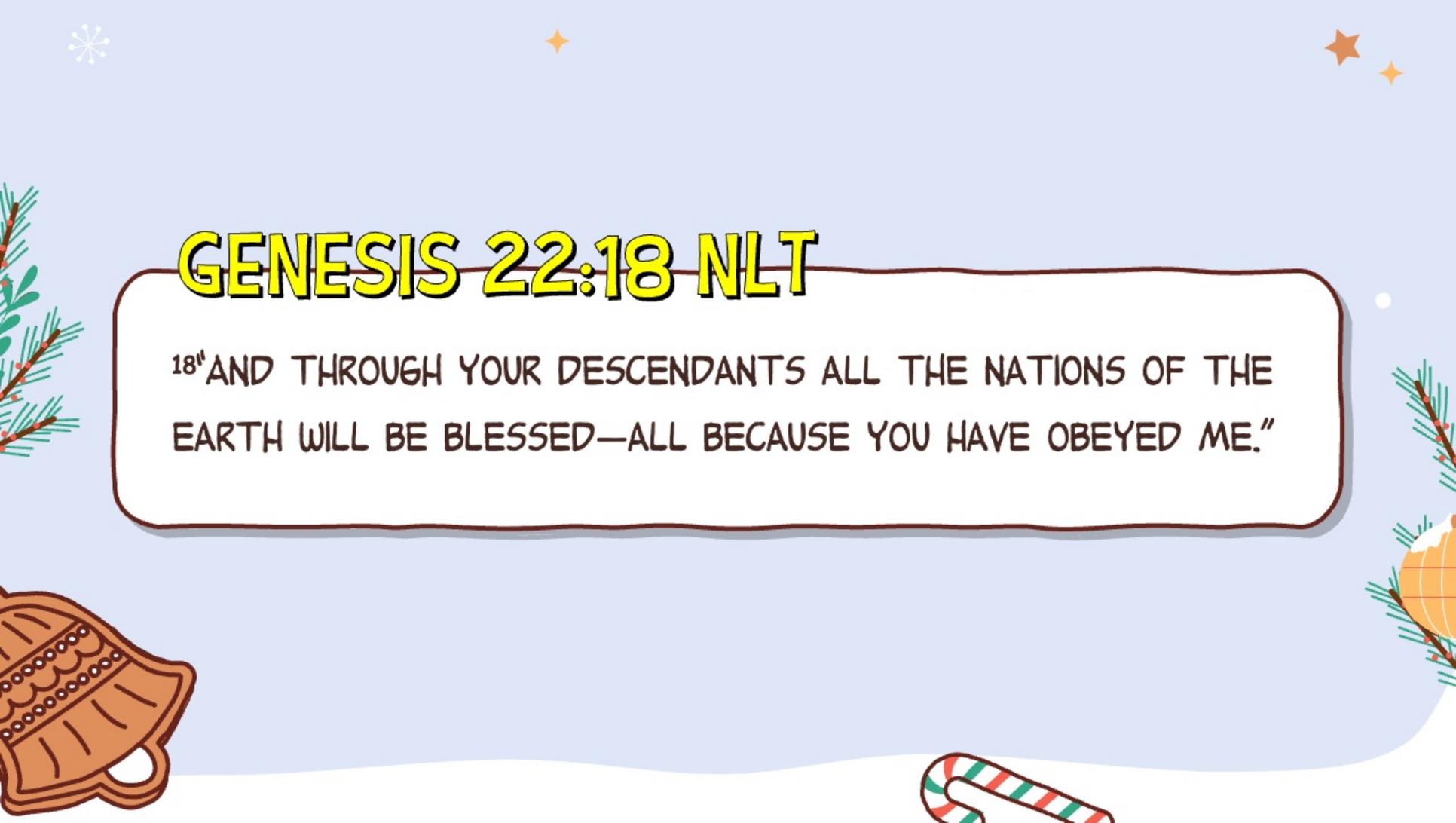
THIS THEME IS WOVEN THROUGHOUT BOTH THE OLD
AND NEW TESTAMENTS, EMPHASIZING GOD'S
DESIRE FOR ALL PEOPLE TO COME TO KNOW HIM
AND HIS PLAN FOR REDEMPTION.



BREAKING DOWN THE UNIVERSAL MESSAGE

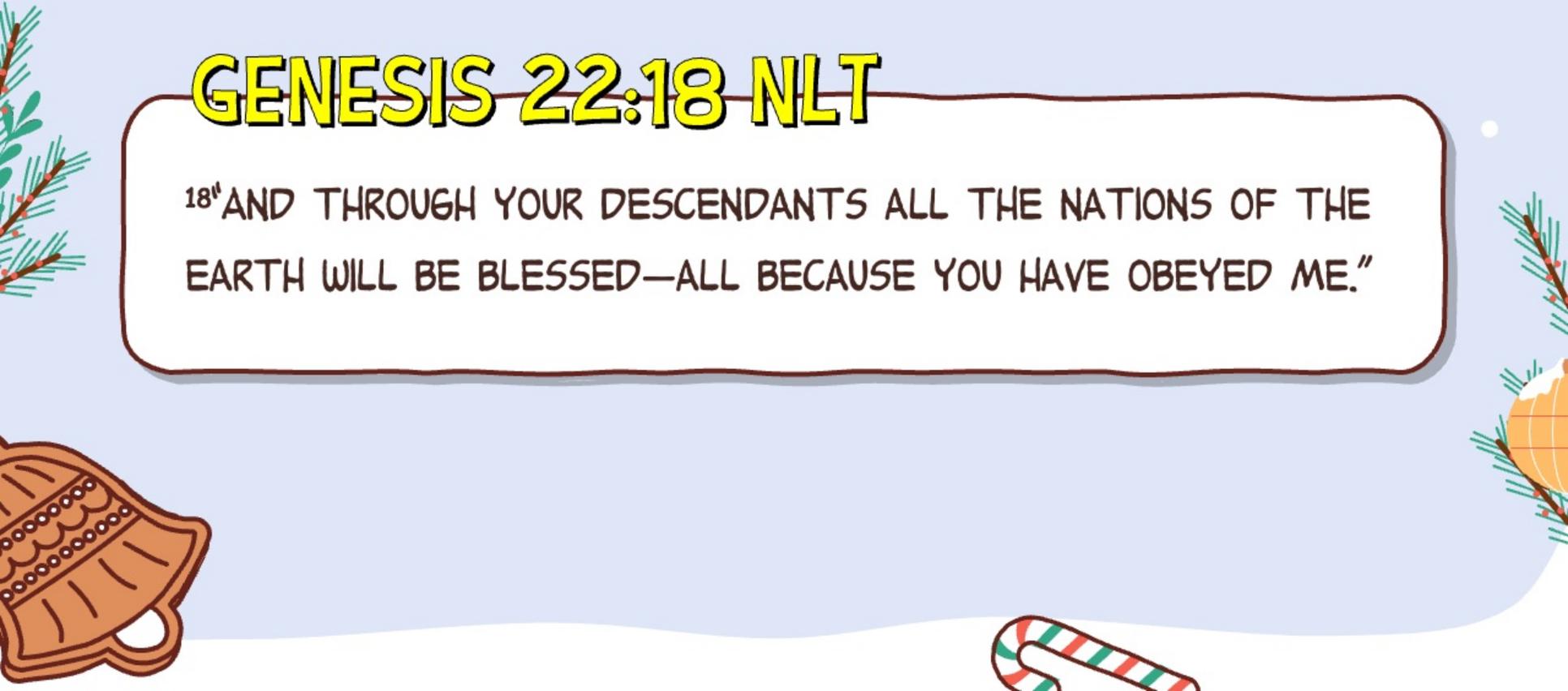
→ OLD TESTAMENT **FOUNDATIONS**





GENESIS 22:18 NLT

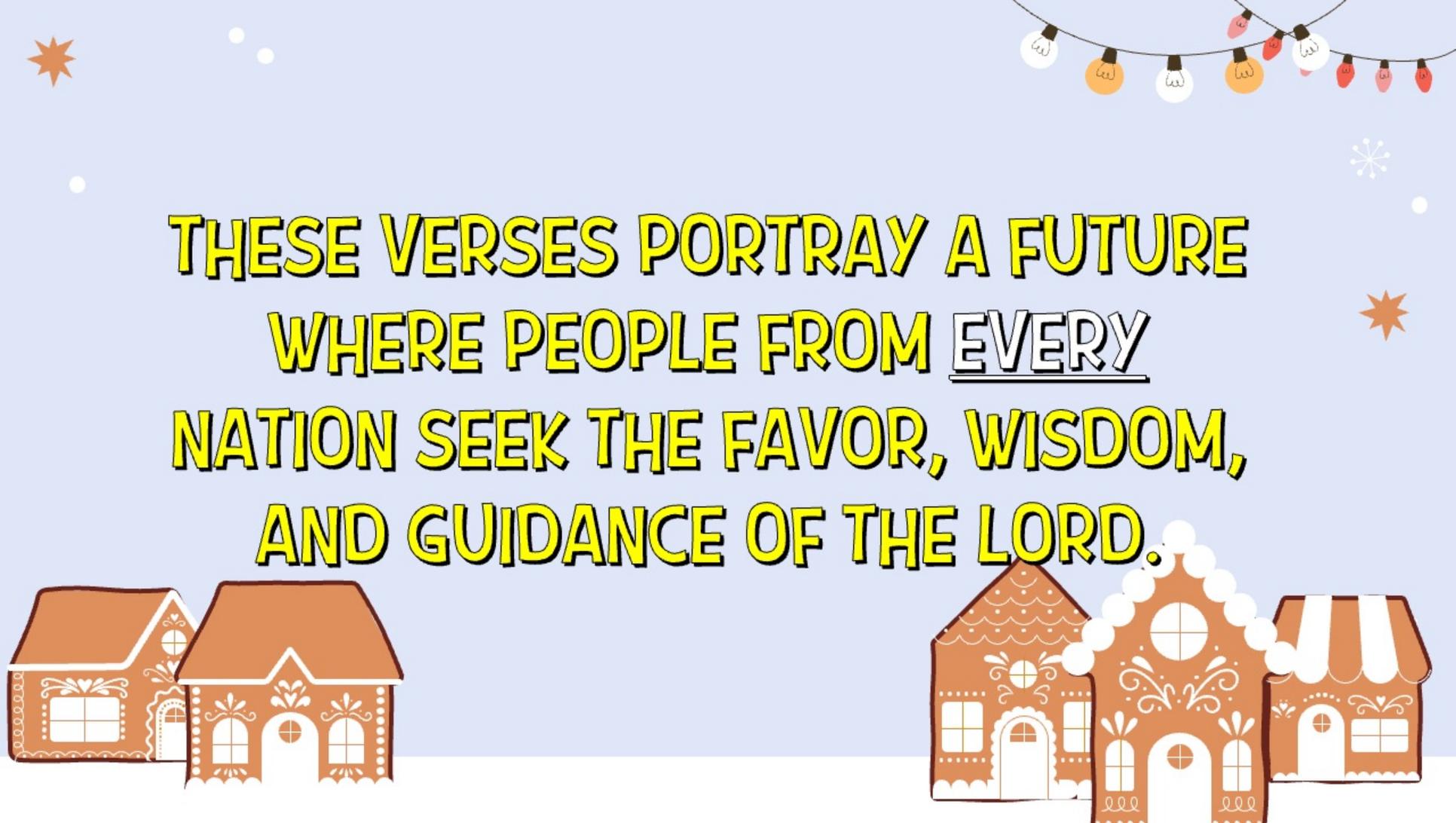
18“AND THROUGH YOUR DESCENDANTS ALL THE NATIONS OF THE EARTH WILL BE BLESSED—ALL BECAUSE YOU HAVE OBEYED ME.”



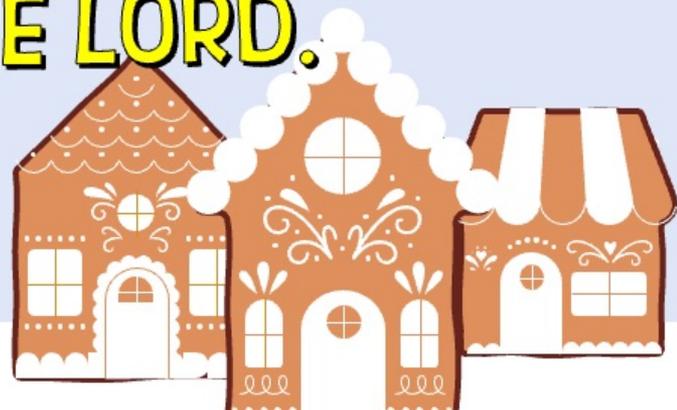
ISAIAH 2:2 NLT

2 IN THE LAST DAYS, THE MOUNTAIN OF THE LORD'S HOUSE
WILL BE THE HIGHEST OF ALL—
THE MOST IMPORTANT PLACE ON EARTH.
IT WILL BE RAISED ABOVE THE OTHER HILLS,
AND PEOPLE FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD WILL STREAM
THERE TO WORSHIP.





**THESE VERSES PORTRAY A FUTURE
WHERE PEOPLE FROM EVERY
NATION SEEK THE FAVOR, WISDOM,
AND GUIDANCE OF THE LORD.**



BREAKING DOWN THE UNIVERSAL MESSAGE

→ NEW TESTAMENT **FULFILLMENT**



THE NEW TESTAMENT
REVEALS THE FULFILLMENT
OF THE UNIVERSAL MESSAGE
THROUGH THE LIFE, DEATH,
AND RESURRECTION
OF JESUS.



MATTHEW 8:10-11 NLT

¹⁰WHEN JESUS HEARD THIS, HE WAS AMAZED. TURNING TO THOSE WHO WERE FOLLOWING HIM, HE SAID, "I TELL YOU THE TRUTH, I HAVEN'T SEEN FAITH LIKE THIS IN ALL ISRAEL!

¹¹AND I TELL YOU THIS, THAT MANY GENTILES WILL COME FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD—FROM EAST AND WEST—AND SIT DOWN WITH ABRAHAM, ISAAC, AND JACOB AT THE FEAST IN THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN."



MATTHEW 28:19-20 NLT

19th THEREFORE, GO AND MAKE DISCIPLES OF ALL THE NATIONS, BAPTIZING THEM IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND THE SON AND THE HOLY SPIRIT. 20th TEACH THESE NEW DISCIPLES TO OBEY ALL THE COMMANDS I HAVE GIVEN YOU. AND BE SURE OF THIS: I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS, EVEN TO THE END OF THE AGE."

GALATIANS 3:26-29 NLT

²⁶FOR YOU ARE ALL CHILDREN OF GOD THROUGH FAITH IN CHRIST JESUS. ²⁷AND ALL WHO HAVE BEEN UNITED WITH CHRIST IN BAPTISM HAVE PUT ON CHRIST, LIKE PUTTING ON NEW CLOTHES. ²⁸THERE IS NO LONGER JEW OR GENTILE, SLAVE OR FREE, MALE AND FEMALE. FOR YOU ARE ALL ONE IN CHRIST JESUS. ²⁹AND NOW THAT YOU BELONG TO CHRIST, YOU ARE THE TRUE CHILDREN OF ABRAHAM. YOU ARE HIS HEIRS, AND GOD'S PROMISE TO ABRAHAM BELONGS TO YOU.

BREAKING DOWN THE UNIVERSAL MESSAGE

→ **ULTIMATE** FULFILLMENT



REVELATION 7:9-10 NLT

⁹AFTER THIS I SAW A VAST CROWD, TOO GREAT TO COUNT, FROM EVERY NATION AND TRIBE AND PEOPLE AND LANGUAGE, STANDING IN FRONT OF THE THRONE AND BEFORE THE LAMB. THEY WERE CLOTHED IN WHITE ROBES AND HELD PALM BRANCHES IN THEIR HANDS. ¹⁰AND THEY WERE SHOUTING WITH A GREAT ROAR,

"SALVATION COMES FROM OUR GOD WHO SITS ON
THE THRONE
AND FROM THE LAMB!"



THESE VERSES AFFIRM THE
ULTIMATE FULFILLMENT OF GOD'S
PROMISE TO BLESS ALL NATIONS
THROUGH THE REDEMPTIVE WORK
OF CHRIST.



GOD IS ABLE TO COMFORT YOU IN YOUR LONELINESS, YOUR LOSS, AND YOUR LACK.

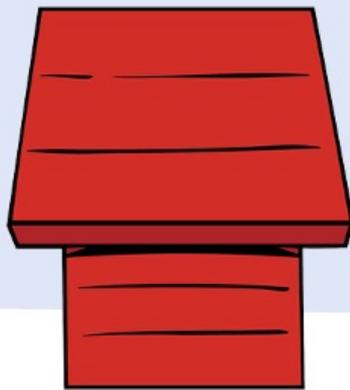
→ GOD BRINGS COMFORT IN YOUR LONELINESS.

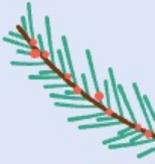
→ GOD BRINGS COMFORT IN YOUR LOSS.

→ GOD BRINGS US COMFORT IN OUR LACK.



★ GOD'S DESIRE IS FOR ALL HUMANITY TO
EXPERIENCE HIS LOVE, GRACE, AND SALVATION.★
SCRIPTURE CONSISTENTLY REVEALS A GOD
WHO SEEKS TO DRAW ALL PEOPLE TO HIMSELF.





2 PETER 3:9 NIV

9THE 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.

