

## **And the Lamb of God Was Present There**

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In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God and the Word was God.

And the Lamb of God was present there.

And God said, let there be light, and let there be life, and let there be love between persons.

And the Lamb of God was present there.

And in the garden the Man hid from the voice of God because he was naked and ashamed.

And the Lamb of God was present there.

And in the garden the Woman said to God, "The Serpent tricked me, and so I ate it."

And the Lamb of God was present there.

And God said to the Serpent in enmity with the woman, her offspring will crush your head.

And the Lamb of God was present there.

And God said to Cain, your brother's blood cries out to me from this cursed ground.

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And when the flood subsided Noah offered some of the animals on the altar he had built.

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And Melchizedek, priest and king of Salem brought out bread and wine and blessed Abram.

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And Abraham told his beloved son that God Himself would provide the lamb of sacrifice.

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And Joseph told his brothers that though they meant to harm him, God intended it for good.

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And on the first Passover the lambs were slaughtered and blood placed on the doorframes.

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And Moses told the people that every day God would rain down bread from heaven to eat.

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And Joshua told the people to follow the ark of the covenant as it entered the River Jordan.

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And God told Samuel to anoint David as king, the son of Jesse who had God's own heart.

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And Nathan told King David that God would build an enduring house and throne for him.

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And Isaiah told a weary king that a virgin shall conceive and bear a son named Emmanuel.

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And Daniel foresaw one like the Son of Man being given dominion, glory and a kingdom.

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And the angel said unto Mary that she would bear the Son to sit on David's throne forever.

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And when Mary's son was born, she wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger.

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And Magi, seeing the mother and the child, offered gifts, bowed down and worshipped him.

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And the Baptist testified, "Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world."

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And as Jesus came out of the water a voice said, "This is my beloved Son in whom I delight."

And the Lamb of God was present there.

And Jesus, tested in the desert, refused all the Serpent's tricks of the world, flesh and ego.

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And Jesus sought out fishers of men to be his beloved disciples and apostles and friends.

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And Jesus preached God's kingdom while curing all the sick, blind, crippled and bedeviled.

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And Jesus was transfigured before his three disciples while speaking with Moses and Elijah.

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And Jesus came humbly into Jerusalem and wept over its continual refusal to be gathered.

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And Lazarus's sister, Mary, poured perfume on Jesus's feet and wiped them with her hair.

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And Jesus washed his disciples' feet, dried them, and showed them how the master serves.

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And Jesus took bread, blessed it, broke it and gave it to them to eat, saying, this is my body.

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And in the garden Jesus prayed for his cup of suffering to pass, but only if it were God's will.

And the Lamb of God was present there.

And Jesus was delivered up to coarse men over and over again, then condemned to death.

And the Lamb of God was present there.

And while in agony nailed to a cross, Jesus cried out, Father, forgive them, they know not.

And the Lamb of God was present there.

And in the garden of tombs the stone was rolled away for Jesus had arisen from the dead.

And the Lamb of God was present there.

And Jesus told his disciples to go and make disciples for he would be with them always.

And the Lamb of God was present there.

And down through the ages it is spoken, take, this is my body, and drink, this is my blood.

And the Lamb of God IS present there.