

Bible Stories for Young Children

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GOD'S PROMISE OF THE MESSIAH

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GENESIS 3:1–15; 12:1–2; 15:1–6; 17:1–6

ISAIAH 7:9b–16; 8:11–15; 9:2, 6–7

MICAH 5:2

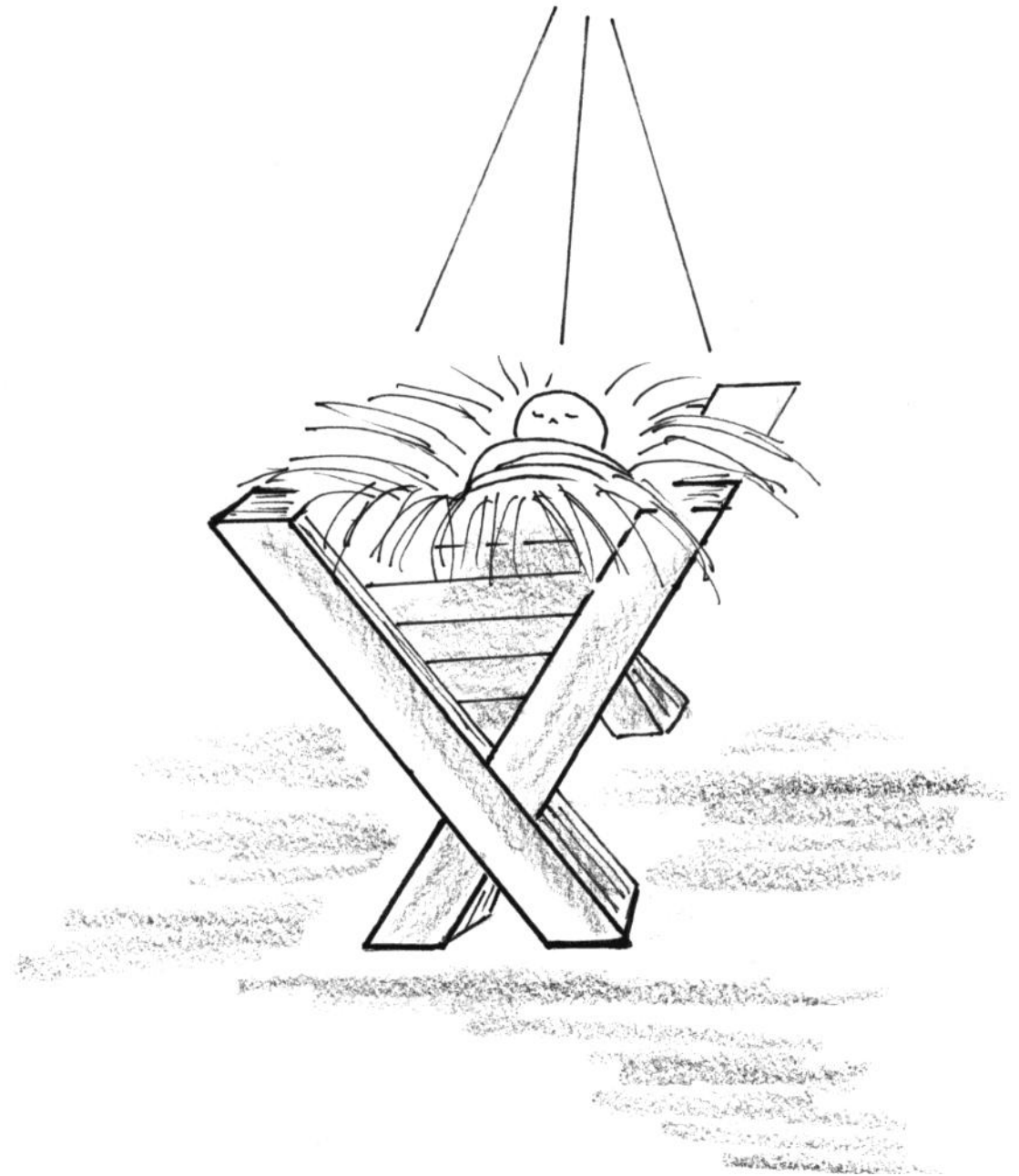
Psalm 72:1–10,17

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**It will soon be Christmas
and we will remember
that God sent His Son, Jesus,
into the world.**

**At that time, some people
knew that Jesus was coming.
This is how they knew.**



**The story began
with the world's first family.**

**Adam and Eve lived in God's garden
and they ate the fruit from the tree
that God had told them not to eat.
By disobeying God,
sin filled their hearts.**

**But God gave them a reason
to still trust in Him.**

**He said,
'One of the woman's children
will crush the serpent's
(or Satan's) head.'**

**God was telling them of His plan
to send His Son into the world
to save His people from their sins.**



**Later, God said to Abraham,
'Go to the land I will give you
and I will give you a son,
and through your family
I will bless the whole world.'**

**Abraham believed God,
and later Isaac was born.**

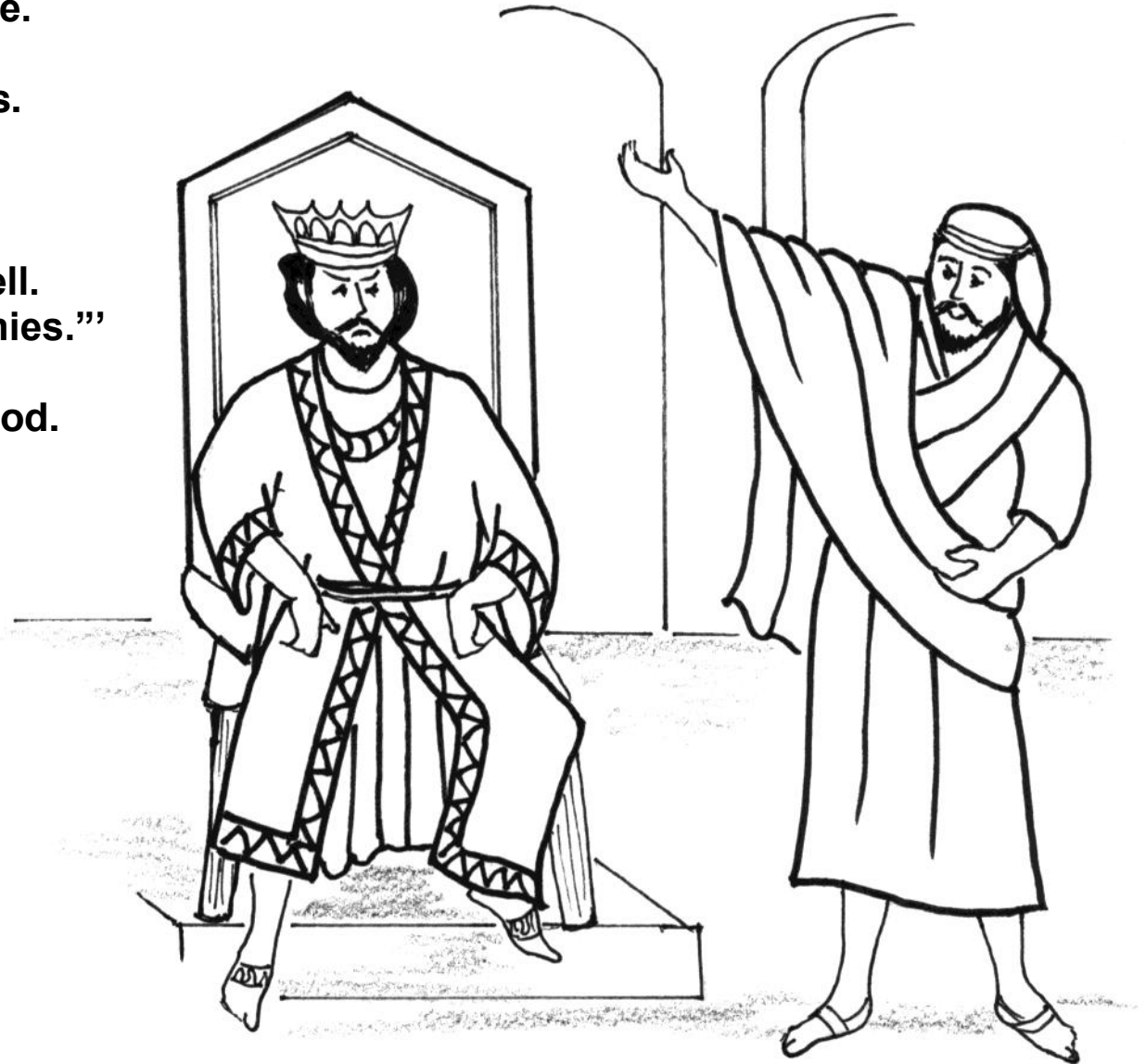
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of His plan to send His Son
into the world to save
His people from their sins.**



**Much later,
Ahaz was king over God's people.
He and God's people
were frightened by their enemies.**

**God said to the prophet Isaiah,
'Go to the King and say,
'Trust in God and you will do well.
He will save you from your enemies.'"**

But King Ahaz would not trust God.



**However, God gave King Ahaz
this sign:
a baby will be born
who will be called 'God with us'.**

**By the time this baby
has grown to be a boy,
your enemies will be gone.**

**God was also showing His people
that one day
He would send them a baby
who really was 'God with us'.**



**At another time,
God sent the prophet Micah
with a message to His people saying,
'A ruler will be born in Bethlehem
One who is from the beginning.'**

**In this story, and many others,
God was preparing His people
for His Son to come.**

