

WCBC WORSHIP SERVICE - DECEMBER 2, 2018

TOPIC: Christmas In The Old Testament
Part 1: *The Seed Of The Woman!*

TEXT: Genesis 3:13-19

INTRO: Genesis, The Book Of Beginnings!

Christmas as we all know is all about the birth of Jesus. It tells us the first coming of the Saviour in human form, over 2,000 years ago. Gen. 3:15 prophesied about it 4,000 years earlier that Jesus will be the "offspring" or "the seed of the woman!"

**I. WHO IS THE SEED OF THE WOMAN?: Gen.3:15
cf. Lev.15:16**

1. Jesus Himself! -Isaiah 7:14 cf. Matthew 1:18-23
Note: Jesus is the "Seed of the woman" because He was not born through Mary but through the power of the Holy Spirit!
 - Theologian Jerry Shirley

**II. WHEN DID THE SEED OF THE WOMAN COME?:
Matthew 2:1; Galatians 4:4**

1. During the reign of King Herod, the Great - Matt. 2:1
Note: Jesus, the Seed of the woman, came in 6 or 5 B.C.! -cf. Matt.2:16
2. During the time of the Law of Moses - Galatians 4:4; Luke 2:21-27 cf. Matthew 5:17-18; Romans 6:14

**III. WHY DID THE SEED OF THE WOMAN COME?:
Romans 16:20; Hebrews 2:14; Matthew 1:21**

1. To destroy Satan himself - Gen. 3:15 cf. Rom. 16:20
Note: This was fulfilled in Christ's crucifixion. He figuratively crushed "Satan under His feet" when He died on the Cross for us!

2. To destroy the "power of death" - Hebrews 2:14
Note: Satan causes people to sin that causes death, i.e., eternal death in hell. But Jesus, the Christ of Christmas, was born to die to give us eternal life, in heaven! - Romans 6:23
3. To save us from our sins! - Matthew 1:21
Note: The name "Jesus" means "the Lord saves" or "Saviour."

**"So the Seed of the woman, Jesus, came to die for you and I. He was victorious in His death. He conquered Satan, death, and sin!"*

CONCLUSION: God's "gift" of salvation is "wrapped" in the first Christmas in Genesis 3:15!

Our Greatest Need!

If our greatest need had been information, God would have sent us an educator. If our greatest need had been technology, God would have sent us a scientist. If our greatest need had been money, God would have sent us an economist. If our greatest need had been pleasure, God would have sent us an entertainer. BUT OUR GREATEST NEED IS FORGIVENESS, SO GOD SENT US THE SAVIOUR! - Source Unknown

Verse For Today

"And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel!" - Genesis 3:15

Food For Thought

"Christ was content with a stable when He was born so that we could have a mansion when we die!" - Source Unknown

