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I'm going to tell you right now you are on the wrong side.
People have enjoyed the wonders of

S.N. May 5, 74 A.M.
Mar. 30, 75 A.M.
Easter

The World (Natural Bridge Va)
Joe Biden -
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what's nothing - It's a witness stacking without any leg -
Comes to Death -

THE SEVEN WONDERS OF JESUS
Isaiah 9:6

S.N. Dec. 16, 79 P.M. WRI
Brent lost Sept. 20, 1987 P.M. v.v.
Grove Park - May 14, 1989 P.M. v.v.
Brent lost July 14, 91 P.M. v.v.
Lake Drummond April 10, 94 Trapped -

Eye of World for Highway 7 So. Vietnam - Refugee over 180,000 - Run out of hope - Death
INTRODUCTION: Slaughter - Prosecute who call for death of a few civilians, who is going
" Comm. for murdering hundreds of innocent citizens - Helped

In a small Italian town in the Alps there is a little church which is - Conway of Death -
unusual. Along the walls inside the church there are several statues of the Old Testament prophets. Each one faces the same way. With the index finger of each prophet pointing in the same direction. As you follow the gaze of these prophets, you see that all of them are looking at and pointing toward a large statue, that of the Lord Jesus Christ. These statues are simply saying, "all the Old Testament prophets (point to Jesus. All of them strained their eyes in eagerness toward Calvary.

Now the most prominent prophet in the Old Testament who spoke most about Jesus was Isaiah. He is the one who spoke about his birth, and said that a virgin would conceive and bear a child. He is the one who talked about him bearing our transgressions and being wounded for our iniquities, and bruised. And the chastisement of our peace was to be upon him and with his stripes we are healed.

v.f. In the 9th chapter, he uses one word to describe Jesus. He says his name shall be called (wonderful).

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New laws etc. Tribes have out -
Chief had several
How? Tell them that - chief said
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In olden times a name meant something and that is still the case with the one wife -
Indian. Kill Deer, Eagle Eye, Buffalo Face, Sleepy Eye, Black Hawk, Sitting Bull, Red Cloud, Rain in the Face. All of these are names and they tell something by the expressions and impressions, and characteristics of the Indians. Now this habit of using names, goes through the military, the colleges, ball players. Most nick-names have some kind of a trait or characteristic.

All of the family names today have their origin in the background in something

in the past. Now the Bible names given for Jesus were about 256. But here is one that the prophet gave 800 years before he was born. And he used the word wonderful. Today we use this word to speak of a picture, a book, a song, or a mountain, Yellowstone Park, Niagara Falls, the Grand Canyon - we call these wonderful. An yet this word is inadequate even when it is used to describe what happened 2000 years ago when the star stood over the manger in Bethlehem. The shepherds watched their flocks on the plains, and Rome then ruled the world. And America at that time was nothing but an unknown wilderness. And even France and England were barbarian at that time.

Is there not something truly wonderful about the fact that after almost 2000 years that we should be gathered here today to observe the Lord's Supper, in remembrance of Jesus who was called wonderful by Isaiah.

There have been many wonders in the world. And of course at one time, people recognized seven great wonders in the world. But today, I want to talk to you about the seven wonders of Jesus Christ. I really don't think that half has ever been told about Jesus.

I. HE WAS WONDERFUL IN HIS BIRTH

When the fullness of time came, and the clock of eternity struck the hour, it is time for my son to leave the glory of Heaven, and go down to earth and redeem men from sin. And how would he send him. Would he send him as an angel, or as a mighty king, or as a full-grown man. He decided to send him as a tiny babe. He decided to let him grow up to manhood in the normal way. That he might have all the trials and the temptations of the normal man.

God looked and found a good woman to be the one to bring his son to birth. He decided on Mary, a devoted, dedicated young woman - pure in heart, and lovely in life.

Now God calls Gabriel to go down and tell Mary that she is going to bear a child. That he will be called the son of God. And she ask, how can this happen. And he tells her that the Holy Spirit will bring it all to pass. And he also tells her what the name of the child will be - he will call him Jesus. No other birth had ever occurred like this. He had only one human parent. But he inherited the nature of God and of man. And he came to be the king of kings. The message was also given to Joseph, to whom Mary was to be married. And they accepted the responsibility to become these two people of God.

And when the time arrived, they journeyed to Bethlehem. And that starry night the chorus sang, "Glory to God in the Highest" - and the son of God came into the world. He was born, and there was no room in the inn. They placed him in a manger. And yet the angels proclaimed his birth with joy. They aroused the sleeping shepherds who were guarding the flocks.

What a wonderful and a wonder - the virgin birth. Since Adam and Eve came into the world, no child had ever been born except through the fusion of a man's nature and a woman. But no man had anything to do with the birth of Jesus. God himself, brought this to pass. So in Heaven, he was with the Father, but in Bethlehem he was there cared for by Mary and Joseph.

It was a miraculous birth - it was not in a palace or a golden cradle - or with angels for nurses. He gave up all the glory and was born of a poor woman. And cradled in a manger. The wise men, led by his star, soon made his birth known. And the king sought his life.

There had never been a birth like that of Jesus. He was wonderful in his birth. That is the first wonder.

II. THE WONDER OF HIS LIFE.

There are several things in the New Testament that describe the life and the character of Jesus. And they help us to know how wonderful his life was. No other approached it in perfection.

First, he never committed a single sin. Peter said that Christ was a man who did no sin. Neither was gile found in his mouth. Hebrew says, he was in all points tempted like we, as we are. Yet without sin.

There have been some good men in the world but there has only been one perfect man, the man Jesus Christ. No one could point to him and say one bad thing about his life. You call him out and examine him today from every standpoint. Did you ever hear an evil word that Jesus said - no. Did he ever do a wrong thing - no. Did he ever think a sinful thought - no. You and I must say with Pilate, I can find no fault with this just man.

Told 2nd Night
A colored preacher announced that he would have a funeral service in his church at a certain hour. He did not announce the name of the deceased. A large crowd of people gathered. The casket stood before the pulpit and flowers were piled up, on every side. The preacher did not eulogize the dead. But he stated that he had committed every known sin. He was a very wicked person. And he talked about the end of sin and the wages of sin. And when he had finished his sermon, he invited the person to file past the casket, and look at the horrible sinner.

As the people looked, they saw that the casket was empty. But a mirror was placed in the casket - thus every man and woman saw only themselves. The preacher was simply saying, they were sinners. But when you look at Jesus and you hold a microscope over his life - you cannot find any sin.

The second thing to notice is that he performed many wonderful miracles. This is a wonder of his life and character. He touched the blind and they were able to see. He touched the lame, and they were able to walk. He cleansed the leper, he stilled the storms, he brought the dead back to life. His life was simply filled with things never done before or since. All because of the power of Heaven in him.

Today there are scores of faith healers in this land of ours. And they testify that from tents, radio, and T. V., that they can perform miracles. But our hospitals and our nursing homes are filled with suffering people. If these people can heal so easily, why don't they go to these hospitals and relieve suffering, of the thousands of people who need healing.

We remember third, that he went about doing good. Many people today, go about, but they are not doing any good. Jesus was goodness in action. Every mile he traveled was filled with good things - that he was doing for other people.

Dr. Albert Sweitzer, the great missionary, was scheduled to speak in one of our cities. A delegation of the most prominent men of the city went to meet him when he got off of the train. They rushed forward to greet him - they were going to make some speeches, take some pictures, etc. But as they neared him, he said, excuse me gentlemen - and then he went over to an old lady and picked up her bundles and carried them out for her and saw that she was put safely in a cab. Then he came back to the dumb-founded committee. Now, surely - this is an instance - a slight picture of Jesus who went about doing good.

Fourth, he spoke as never man had spoken before. This does not mean that his eloquence and his speaking ability exceeded other people. But that what he had to say was a wonder - and it was wonderful in that it was so different.

He came and he told men about a loving God. He told them of things that would make life worthwhile. He told them that he would be a daily companion with them - in life and in death. He told them the way of salvation. He told about a glorious Heaven for people that were prepared for it. He got down where men lived - and he touched them at the point of their greatest need.

Patrick Henry, will always be known because of his statement - "give me liberty-- or give me death!" John Kennedy will be known, "ask not what your country can do for you, but ask what can I do for my country."

Because of the words that fell from Christ's lips, they contain divine truth - concerning God, concerning life, and concerning eternity. So he is a wonderful - and a wonder for what he had to say.

The poet says, "sing them over again to me" - wonderful words of life. Let me more of the beauty see. Wonderful words of life. Words of life and beauty - teach me faith and duty. Beautiful words, wonderful words - wonderful words of life. Beautiful words, wonderful words - wonderful words of life.

Christ the blessed one gives to all - wonderful words of life. Sinner list to the loving call - wonderful words of life. All so freely given - woeing us to Heaven. Beautiful words, wonderful words - wonderful words of life.

Yes, Jesus was wonderful in his life and in his character.

III. THE WONDER OF HIS DEATH

He died as no other man died. Others have died sacrificial deaths. Others have died for some great cause. But Jesus died to save men. And bring them home to Heaven.

Now he did not have to die. He said that he had power to lay down his life - and power to take it up again. And he layed down his life for you and for me. Greater love hath no man than this - that a man lay down his life for a friend.

I could remind you of that early morning - when they layed the cross upon him. He faints beneath the load. And Simon is called to lift the cross. And when they come to the top of the hill, they lay his bruised bloody body upon the cross. You can hear the ringing blows of the hammers as the great nails go through his hands and feet. And then the thud of the cross as it drops into the hole prepared for it. Six long hours he hangs there on that cross. Finally at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, he cries - it is finished. He commends his spirit to God and died.

When we observe what he accomplished in his death, how that he opened up a fountain of cleansing from sin, he opened the gates of glory for every redeemed sinner. The pathway from sin to God.

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A minister was boarding with a farmer. The farmer was not a Christian but his wife was. And the minister had waited for the opportunity to present the plan of Christ's death on the cross to him. So one morning the farmer asked the preacher to go out to the chicken house. And there on the ground sat a chicken with her brood of chickens peeping out from under her wings. The farmer told the preacher to touch the hen. When he did - he found that she was dead. Then the farmer said look at the wound in her head. A wound that the weasel had sucked all the blood from her body. But she never once moved for fear that the little beast would get her chickens. Then said the preacher, that is just like Christ. He endured all the cross, the suffering, he could have moved and saved his own life. But if he had moved - you and I would have been lost forever. The farmer saw the point and soon accepted Christ as his saviour.

And he did all of that for you and me. If we had only been the only lost person

in the world. What are you doing for the one who loves you and gave his life for you. (I gave my life for thee. My precious blood I shed. That thou mightst random be. And quickened from the dead.)

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you go to R. Y. L. ...
Holy Land - Arab guide Calvary - 3 trees from here today - Knelt - Meditation.
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Arab "you cannot be that old, you could not have been here before." Dr. he continued "I was here 2,000 yrs ago - it was here when Jesus died, it was my sine that Nailed Jesus to the cross." That is a wonder while we were yet sinners - Christ died for us.

IV. THE WONDER OF HIS RESURRECTION

Yes, they slew Jesus and buried him. But no tomb on earth could hold him. On the third day, just as he predicted, he walked out of that tomb forevermore alive. The resurrection proved that he was God and that what he said was true.

The angel rolled away that stone, on that morning - just like a Spring flower opens up.

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Dr. Harry Remmer was talking to a high Egyptian government official. Dr. Remmer said, we believe that God revealed himself to man. The man said, we believe that too.

Dr. Remmer said, we believe that he revealed himself in creation. The man said, we believe that too. Dr. Remmer said, we believe that God revealed himself in a book - the Bible. The man said, we believe that he revealed himself in a book, the Koran. Dr. Remmer, we believe that God revealed himself in a man, Jesus Christ. The man said, we believe that God revealed himself in the prophet Mohammed. Dr. Remmer, we believe that Jesus died to save his followers. The man said, we believe that Mohammed died for his people. Dr. Remmer said, we believe that Jesus was able to substantiate his claims because he arose from the dead. The man said, we have no information concerning our prophet after death.

Jesus Christ is a wonder and wonderful - because he is the only one who ever conquered death. And triumphed over the grave. Here lies the difference between Christianity and other religions. Their founders are dead. Our founder arose from the grave and is alive again. Go to the tomb of Mohammed, Confucious, and Budda, and the others - and you will read the words, here he lies. But you go to

the tomb of Jesus, and the words that the angel spoke - He is not here - He is risen. This is a wonder - and makes Jesus wonderful.

V. THE WONDER OF HIS ASCENSION

In the Spring of 1961 a man lifted off into space and all the world was watching the achievement of human science. The first time a man had been in space after 40 days spent on the earth while in the resurrection - Jesus took his disciples to the Mount of Olives. There they looked in amazement - as the Heavens received him. He didn't have a rocket, a helmet, and electronic equipment - just one ordinary cloud and you know that the saints were singing the sweetest songs - and the angels shouting and rejoicing. As he returned back to the Father, God had highly exalted him and given him a name that is above every name. Now this happened when he ascended to Heaven.

The hymn writer said, "I stand amazed in the presence of Jesus, the Nazarene. And wonder how he could love me, a sinner condemned unclean. How marvelous, how wonderful, and my song shall ever be - how marvelous, how wonderful, is my Saviour's love to me."

VI. THE WONDER OF HIS PRESENT WORK

What is Jesus doing today in Heaven. He is carrying on the work of intercession - he is praying for us. He ever liveth to make intercession for us. He lived on earth 33 years. He has been praying in Heaven for us now over 1900 years. He knows the importance of prayer.

Last Wednesday night it was brought out, that from the book of Samuel, it was a sin for us to cease praying. It was also mentioned, that Dr. T. L. Hawkum, one of the retired ministers of the Southern Baptist Convention, upon his retirement, said, I am going to give the rest of my life and time to the ministry of intercessory prayer. And that is what Jesus has been doing all these years as they go by.

VII. THE WONDER OF HIS COMING AGAIN

Back in the Old Testament days the prophets predicted the first coming. But the years have passed and the hopes were dimmed, and people forgot the promise. And then when he came - they knew him not. They were not prepared for him. In like manner, the Bible prophecies tell us that he is coming again. But the years have gone by and many have asked, where is the sign of his coming. Since he hasn't come yet - they let the promise slide by. Surely as he came the first time, he must come the second time. The prophecies must be fulfilled. They are not vain promises. They are the sure word of an Almighty God.

When he comes, he will come to bless. Oh, how we need his blessing today. When he comes in the air, the Bible tells us - that he will take all of the believers up into Heaven. They will ^{BE} changed into his glorious likeness. Then we read the blessed promise - thus shall we ever be with the Lord. This will be the great day. This will be his coming for his own. And later as he gathers all his saints around him in Heaven, the earth will be in a mess. And then he will straighten things out. And he will begin his reign of righteousness.

The Scriptures also say that he will be the judge. And when he takes the Christians up in the air, he will judge their works and rewards accordingly.

Many Christians are doing things today for the Lord. So there will be rewards. And those that are doing nothing - there will be no reward for them. And later, at the great white throne judgement, he will judge the works of the unbelievers. And punish them according to their works. Every sinner ought to come to Jesus today so that you can escape that judgement.

Now these are seven wonders of Jesus. And there are a million more wonders connected with him, and all the events. And when we have been in Heaven 10,000 years - we will still not be able to count up all the wonders of this wonderful Saviour. We have a hymn in our hymn book - wonderful, wonderful Jesus. There is never a day so dreary - there is never a night so long. That the soul that is trusting Jesus, will somewhere find a song. Wonderful, wonderful Jesus - in the heart he implanted a song. A song of deliverance, courage, and strength. In the heart, he implanted a song. There is never a guilty sinner - there is never a wandering one. But that God, can in mercy pardon. Through Jesus Christ, his Son. Wonderful, wonderful Jesus.

ill I read about a certain family having a family reunion. The grandparents were there, the children were there, and the grandchildren. Long tables were filled with food. Sweet fellowship abounded and everyone was having a good time. One little boy saw tears on his grandmother's cheek as he looked up. He couldn't understand it. She ought to have been happy - all of her loved ones were around her. He said, grandmother, what is the matter. She answered, it just occurred to me that this might be the last time that I will see all of you together again in this world. And then she drew the little boy close to her and said, but that is alright. For if I never see you in this world, I will meet you in Heaven. Because everyone of you is trusting the Lord Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord.

How is it with you, How is it with your family. All of the wonders of Christ will not avail for you if you don't come and accept his wonderful salvation.