



THE DARK AND BEAUTIFUL  
*The Promises of God Fulfilled*

Matthew 2:13-23

# The New Testament

**Matthew**

Mark

Luke

John

Acts

Romans

I & II Corinthians

Galatians

Ephesians

Philippians

Colossians

I & II Thessalonians

I & II Timothy

Titus

Philemon

Hebrews

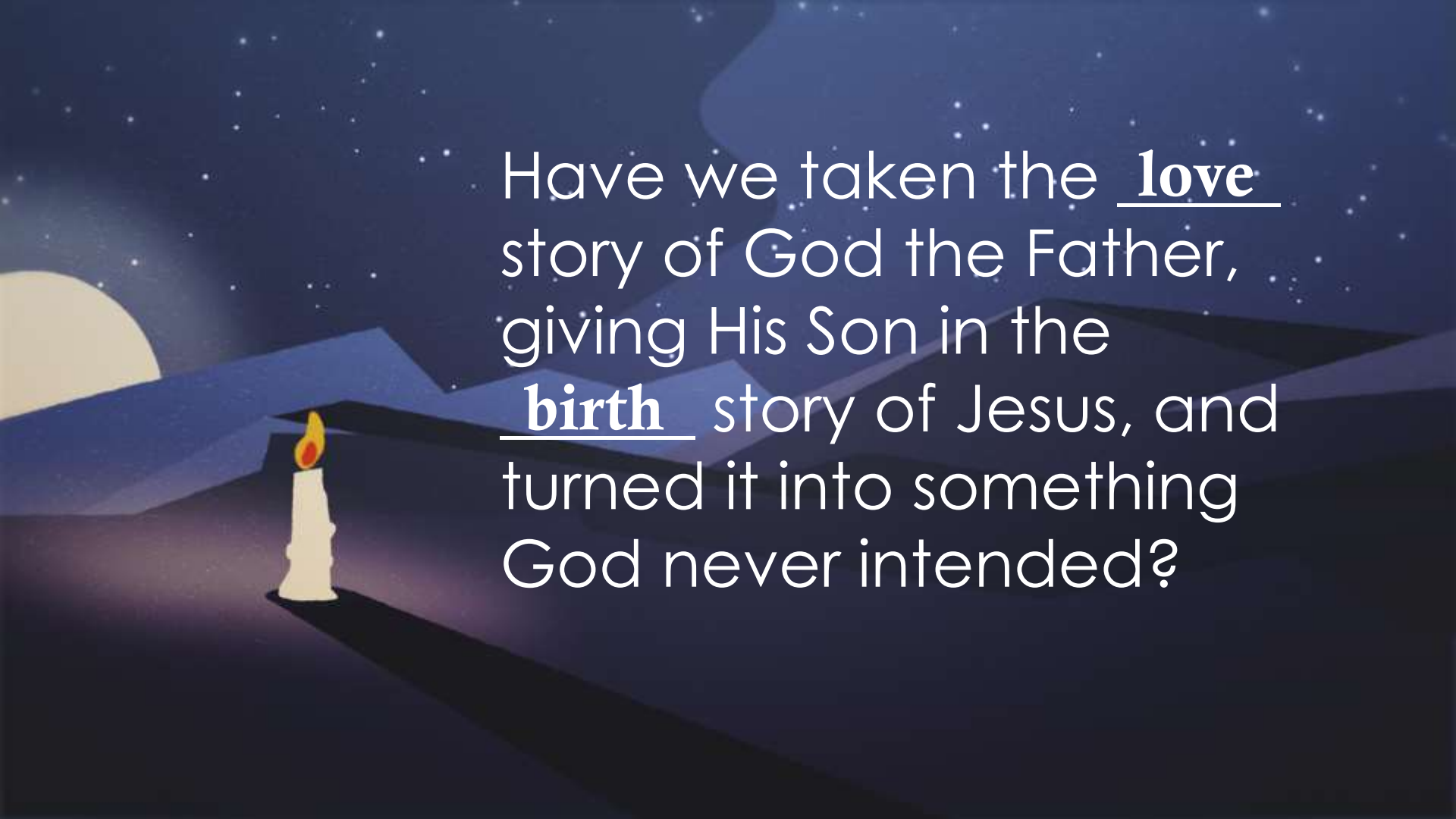
James

I & II Peter

I, II, & III John

Jude

Revelation

A night landscape with a full moon, stars, and a lit candle on a dark surface. The scene is dark blue and black, with a yellow full moon on the left and a lit candle in the foreground. The text is white and centered on the right side of the image.

Have we taken the love  
story of God the Father,  
giving His Son in the  
birth story of Jesus, and  
turned it into something  
God never intended?

A night scene with a full moon, stars, and a lit candle on a dark surface. The background is a dark blue sky with a large yellow full moon on the left and numerous small white stars. In the foreground, a lit candle sits on a dark, reflective surface, casting a long shadow. The overall mood is serene and contemplative.

I. This man Joseph...

A. We know his heart.

B. We know his actions.

C. We don't know what he said.

D. We know what Joseph did.

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II. Joseph may have felt like he was surviving.

A. Was God in the battle of each day?

B. Did God know the details of the attacks?

C. Did he know God had prophetically spoken?

D. Did he know the collective promises of God?

The background of the slide is a dark blue night sky filled with small white stars. On the left side, a large, pale yellow full moon is partially visible. In the foreground, a dark, silhouetted landscape of hills or mountains is shown. A single lit candle sits on a dark surface in the lower-left foreground, casting a soft glow and a shadow. The candle is white with a bright orange and yellow flame.

III. Joseph lived with conviction that God keeps His promises.

A. We don't always understand how God's promises all come together.

B. A prophecy that is of God will be consistent with what God has already said (Scripture). When the pieces are rightly arranged, what had been confusion becomes confirmation.

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C. Do the last thing you heard  
God tell you to do until you hear  
God tell you something  
different .



Take back the  
unsanitized story  
of Christmas.



A stylized illustration of a night landscape. In the upper left, a large, pale yellow full moon is partially obscured by a dark, angular mountain peak. The sky is a deep blue, filled with numerous small white stars. The middle ground features several layers of jagged, low-poly mountains in shades of blue and dark blue. On the right side, a tall, narrow lighthouse beam of bright yellow light extends from the top of the frame down to a small, dark lighthouse structure on a rocky outcrop. The beam illuminates the surrounding area, creating a warm glow. The overall style is minimalist and geometric.

*Promises...*  
FULFILLED