



NICE TRY, BUT IT IS WRITTEN IN THE SCRIPTURES THAT 'PEOPLE DO NOT LIVE ON BREAD ALONE, BUT ON EVERY WORD THAT COMES FROM THE MOUTH OF GOD.'

BEEN READING UP LATELY, HAVEN'T YOU?

IT HAS ALSO BEEN WRITTEN: 'DO NOT PUT THE LORD YOUR GOD TO THE TEST.'

INTERESTING... WELL, LET ME SHOW YOU THIS!

BEHOLD, THE WORLD. EVERY KINGDOM AND CIVILIZATION, EVEN THOSE BEYOND OUR SPACE AND TIME, ALL THIS AUTHORITY I WILL GIVE YOU, IF YOU WORSHIP ME.

BE GONE, SATANI! FOR IT IS WRITTEN: 'WORSHIP THE LORD YOUR GOD, AND SERVE HIM ONLY.'

VERY WELL, YOU HAVE WON... FOR NOW. UNTIL NEXT TIME...

SATAN TOOK JESUS TO THE TOP OF THE HIGHEST MOUNTAIN. SURELY EVERY MESSIAH HAD HIS PRICE?

WWWWWWWWWWWW COOOOSSSS WWWWWWWWWWWW HHHH!

YES, I'M SURE YOU'LL BE BACK.

WANT TO KNOW MORE?
MATTHEW 4:1-11

THE CITY OF CAPERNAUM.



ONE OF ITS MAIN ATTRACTIONS WAS A MAN POSSESSED BY DEMONS. HE WAS A SOURCE OF AMAZEMENT TO ALL WHO SET EYES ON HIM.

THE MAN HIMSELF SUFFERED THE SPIRITS' TORMENT WITH UNRELENTING FITS OF RAGE AND TERROR...

UNTIL A MEETING WITH JESUS, FRESH FROM HIS VICTORY OVER SATAN.



PILATE LATER ADDRESSED A WORKED CROWD WITH HIS VERDICT.

LISTEN UP! I HAVE FOUND NO FAULT IN THIS JESUS. HOWEVER, WE HAVE A CUSTOM OF RELEASING A PRISONER TO YOU DURING PASSOVER. YOU HAVE A CHOICE - DO I RELEASE BARABBAS, A VIOLENT TERRORIST, OR DO I RELEASE JESUS, THE 'KING OF THE JEWS'?

RELEASE BARABBAS! RELEASE BARABBAS! KILL THAT JESUS! KILL THAT JESUS! WE WANT BARABBAS!

GIVE US BARABBAS! KILL THE BLASPHEMER!



WHAT THEN SHOULD I DO WITH YOUR KING OF THE JEWS? WHAT EVIL HAS HE DONE?



HE IS NO KING OF OURS! EXECUTE HIM! EXECUTE HIM!

IF YOU LET HIM GO YOU ARE NOT CAESAR'S FRIEND

EXECUTE HIM! KILL THE BLASPHEMER!



SO BE IT. I WASH MY HANDS... I AM INNOCENT OF THIS MAN'S BLOOD.

AND SO IT WAS THAT PILATE DELIVERED JESUS TO BE STRIPPED, MOCKED AND TORTURED BY THE ROMAN SOLDIERS. HE WAS CLOTHED IN MOCK ROYAL REGALIA - A PURPLE ROBE AND 'CROWN' OF THORNS. THEN THEY LED HIM AWAY TO BE EXECUTED.

HA! HA! HA! PROPHECY THIS - WHICH ONE OF US HIT YOU?



GOLGOTHA, ALSO CALLED 'THE PLACE OF THE SKULL'. HERE, JESUS WAS NAILED TO A CROSS. ON EITHER SIDE OF HIM HUNG ROBBERS.

A SIGN WAS PLACED ABOVE JESUS' HEAD, DECLARING:

'THIS IS JESUS, KING OF THE JEWS.'

THE SCRIBES, CHIEF PRIESTS AND PASSERS-BY LOOKED UP AND MOCKED HIM. 'HE SAVED OTHERS, BUT HE CAN'T SAVE HIMSELF.'

THEN, AT THE NINTH HOUR, THE SKY SHATTERED AND BLACKNESS SPREAD OVER THE LAND. TURBULENT EARTHQUAKES AND TREMORS FOLLOWED THESE SIGNS FROM THE HEAVENS.

SUDDENLY, JESUS GASPED HIS LAST WORDS: 'IT IS FINISHED.'

AND DIED.

WANT TO KNOW MORE? matthew 27:11-55



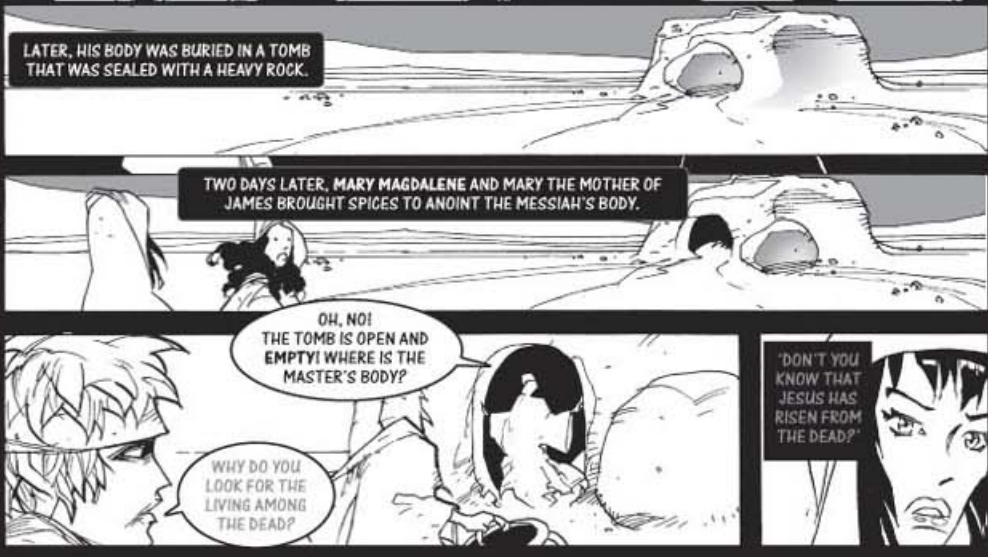
LATER, HIS BODY WAS BURIED IN A TOMB THAT WAS SEALED WITH A HEAVY ROCK.

TWO DAYS LATER, MARY MAGDALENE AND MARY THE MOTHER OF JAMES BROUGHT SPICES TO ANOINT THE MESSIAH'S BODY.

OH, NO! THE TOMB IS OPEN AND EMPTY WHERE IS THE MASTER'S BODY?

WHY DO YOU LOOK FOR THE LIVING AMONG THE DEAD?

'DON'T YOU KNOW THAT JESUS HAS RISEN FROM THE DEAD?'



TOWARD THE END OF THE FIRST CENTURY AD, JOHN THE DIVINE, A SERVANT OF CHRIST, WROTE THE ONLY PROPHETIC BOOK IN THE NEW TESTAMENT. THIS BOOK DESCRIBED A TERRIFYING VISION OF THE FUTURE.

'I WAS IN THE SPIRIT ONE DAY WHEN I HEARD A LOUD VOICE. I TURNED AND SAW ONE LIKE CHRIST. HE SAID TO ME, ...'

"DON'T BE AFRAID. I AM HE WHO LIVES BUT WAS DEAD AND NOW I AM FOR EVER ALIVE. JOHN, WRITE DOWN THE THINGS YOU SEE."

'I SAW A THRONE IN HEAVEN, AND SOMEONE SAT ON THE THRONE.'

'THE ONE ON THE THRONE OPENED SEVEN SEALS AND REVEALED A TERRIFYING FUTURE.'

'FOUR DARK HORSES THAT COULD BRING DEATH THROUGH WAR, FAMINE, DISEASE AND WILD ANIMALS.'

'THE SUN TURNED BLACK AND THE MOON TURNED RED. THE SKY SIMPLY DISAPPEARED!'

'EARTHQUAKES AND CRIES FOR JUSTICE.'

'FOUR ANGELS STOOD AT THE CORNERS OF THE EARTH, HOLDING BACK THE WINDS.'

'MORE ANGELS WERE RELEASED. THEIR TROOPS WERE TWO-HUNDRED MILLION STRONG, AND WERE SWORN TO KILL A THIRD OF MANKIND.'

'A BEAST EMERGED FROM THE SEA, AND A FALSE PROPHET CONVINCED THE PEOPLE TO WORSHIP THE BEAST.'

'THEN I SAW HEAVEN OPEN AND A WHITE HORSE APPEARED. ITS RIDER WAS THE KING OF KINGS AND THE LORD OF LORDS, AND THE ARMIES OF HEAVEN WERE BEHIND HIM.'

