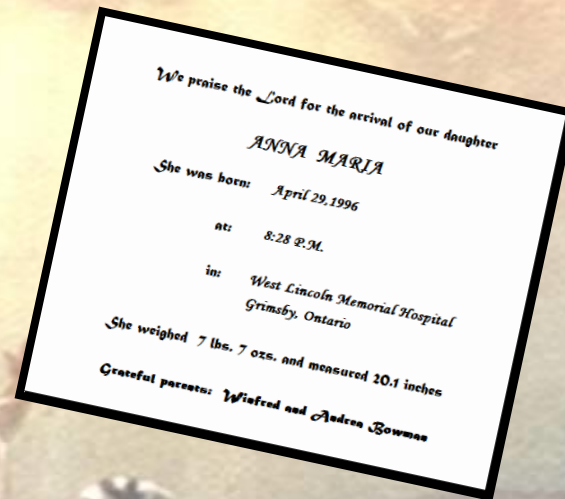


A Grand Announcement

Luke 2:8-15

Birth Announcements



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A Grand Announcement - Luke 2:8-15

The angel's grand announcement:

1. Unveiled God's Purpose
2. Identified God's Plan
3. Confirmed God's Promise



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1. Unveiled God's Purpose:

a. Show Us His Love.

Luke 2:10 (NIV) - "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news..."

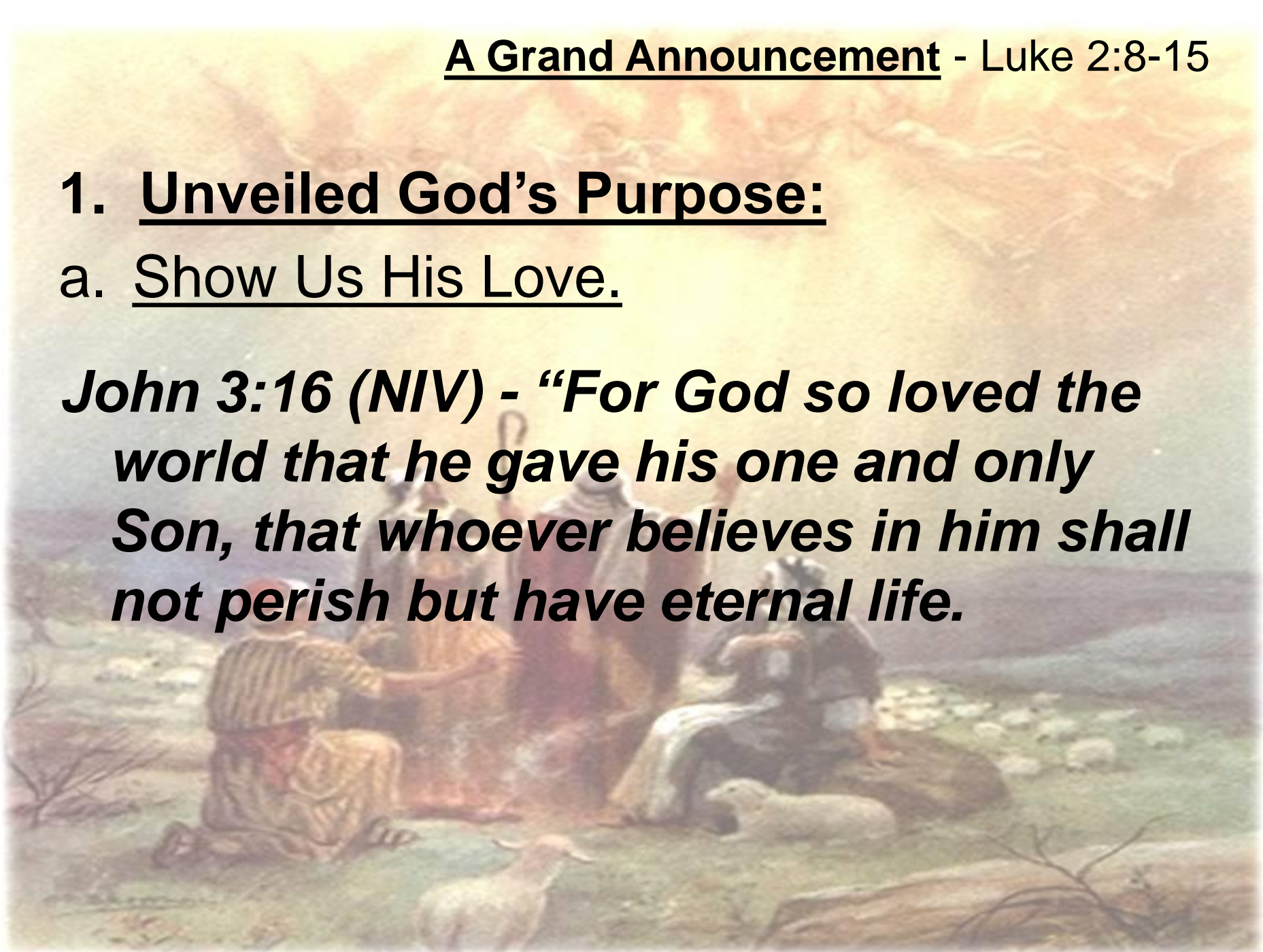


A Grand Announcement - Luke 2:8-15

1. Unveiled God's Purpose:

a. Show Us His Love.

John 3:16 (NIV) - "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.



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1. Unveiled God's Purpose:

a. Show Us His Love.

Romans 5:8 (NIV) - But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.



A Grand Announcement - Luke 2:8-15

1. Unveiled God's Purpose:

b. Fill Us With His Joy.

Luke 2:10 (NIV) - "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people."



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1. Unveiled God's Purpose:

b. Fill Us With His Joy.

Psalm 16:11 (NIV) - You have made known to me the path of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand.



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1. Unveiled God's Purpose:

b. Fill Us With His Joy.

Romans 15:13 (NIV) - May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.



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1. Unveiled God's Purpose:

b. Fill Us With His Joy.

John 15:10–11 (NIV) - If you obey my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have obeyed my Father's commands and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.

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1. Unveiled God's Purpose:

c. Comfort Us With His Peace

Luke 2:10 (NIV) - "Do not be afraid.

Luke 2:14 (NIV) - "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to men on whom his favour rests."



A Grand Announcement - Luke 2:8-15

1. Unveiled God's Purpose:

c. Comfort Us With His Peace

John 14:27 (NIV) - Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

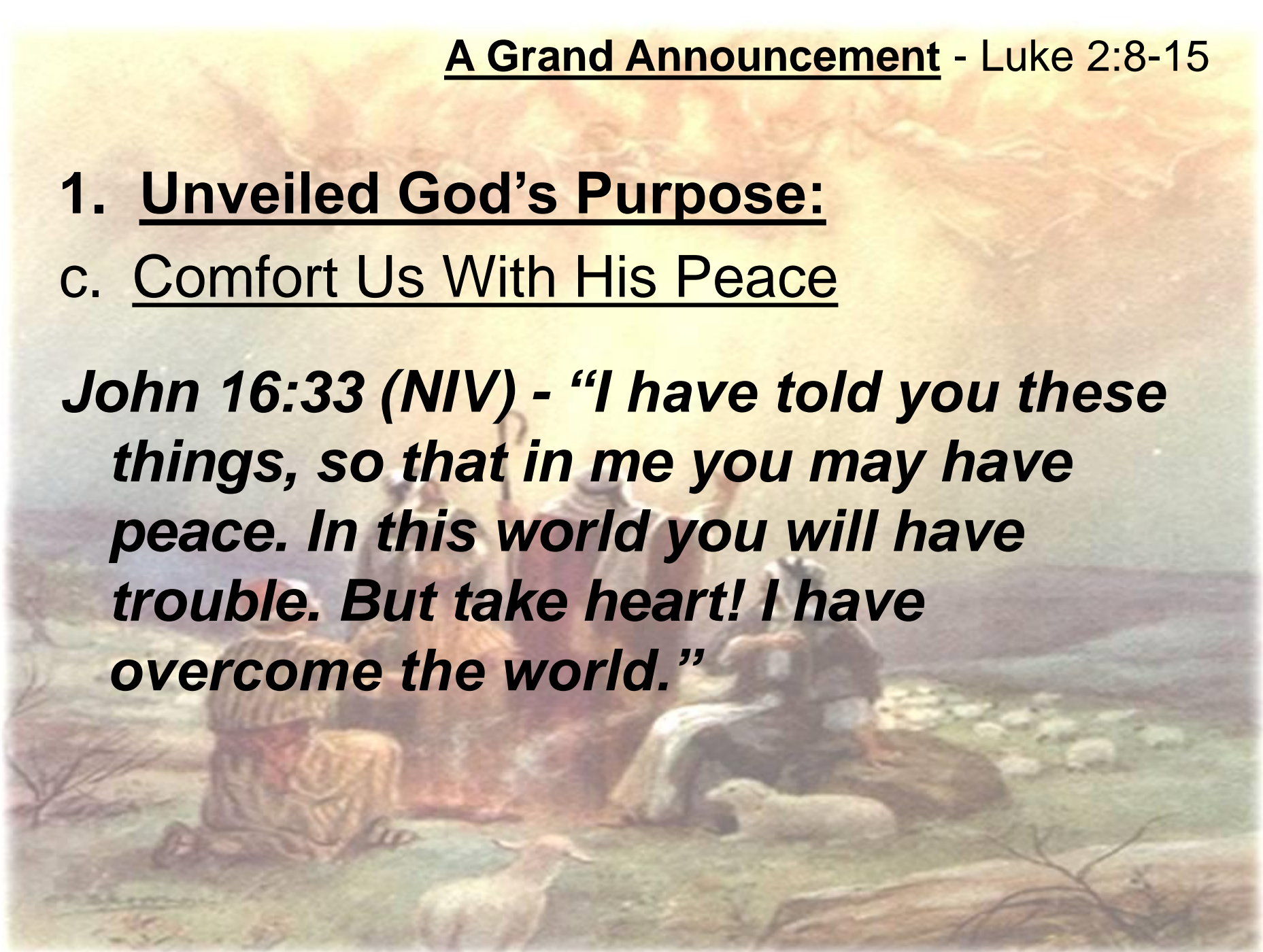


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1. Unveiled God's Purpose:

c. Comfort Us With His Peace

John 16:33 (NIV) - "I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."



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1. Unveiled God's Purpose:

c. Comfort Us With His Peace

Philippians 4:7 (NIV) - And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.



2. Identified God's Plan:

Genesis 3:15 (NIV) - 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.”



A Grand Announcement - Luke 2:8-15

2. Identified God's Plan:

a. Fulfillment of Scripture

Luke 2:11 (NIV) – “Today in the town of David...”



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a. Fulfillment of Scripture

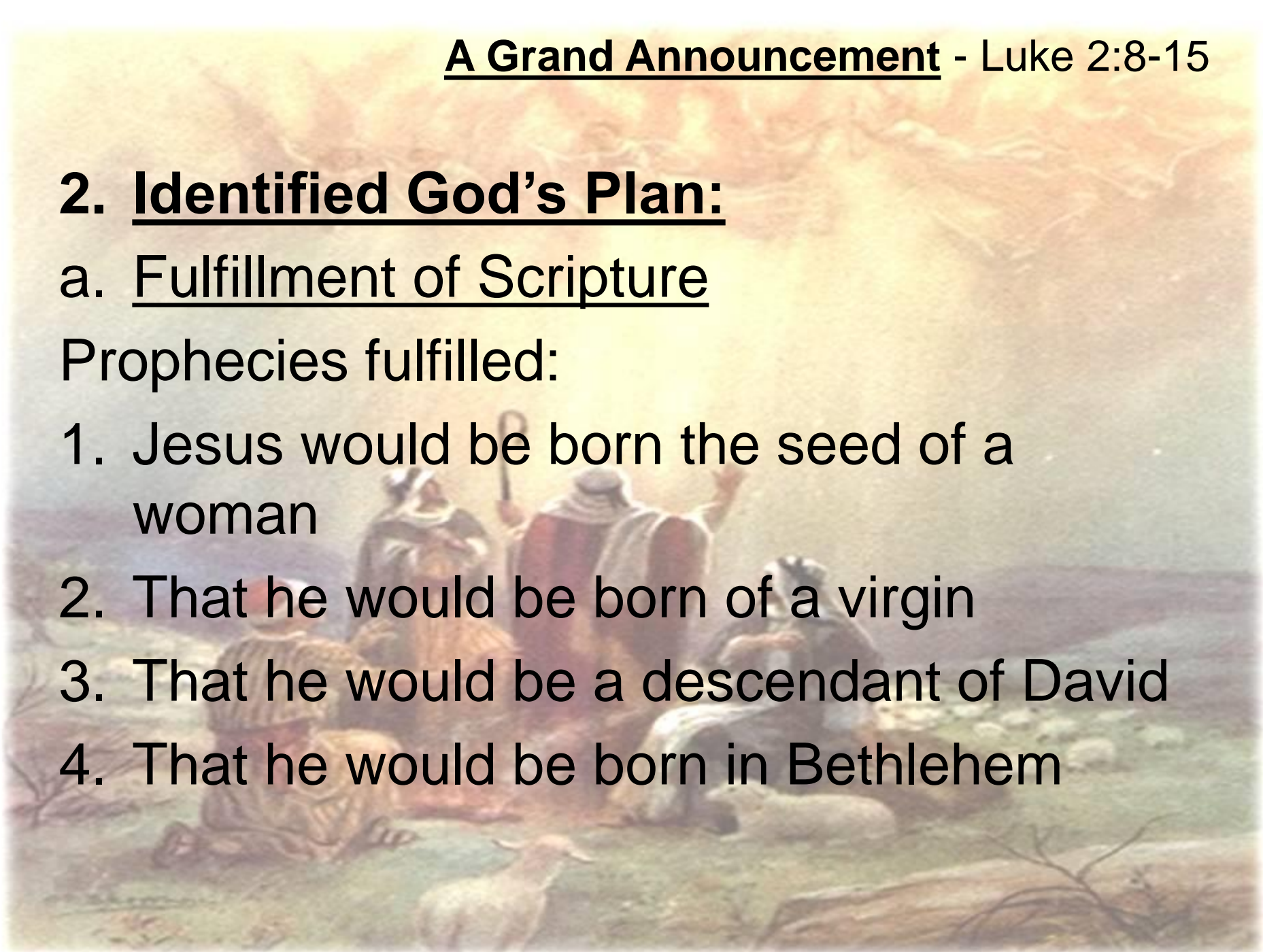
Micah 5:2 (NIV) - "But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are small among the clans of Judah, out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times."

2. Identified God's Plan:

a. Fulfillment of Scripture

Prophecies fulfilled:

1. Jesus would be born the seed of a woman
2. That he would be born of a virgin
3. That he would be a descendant of David
4. That he would be born in Bethlehem

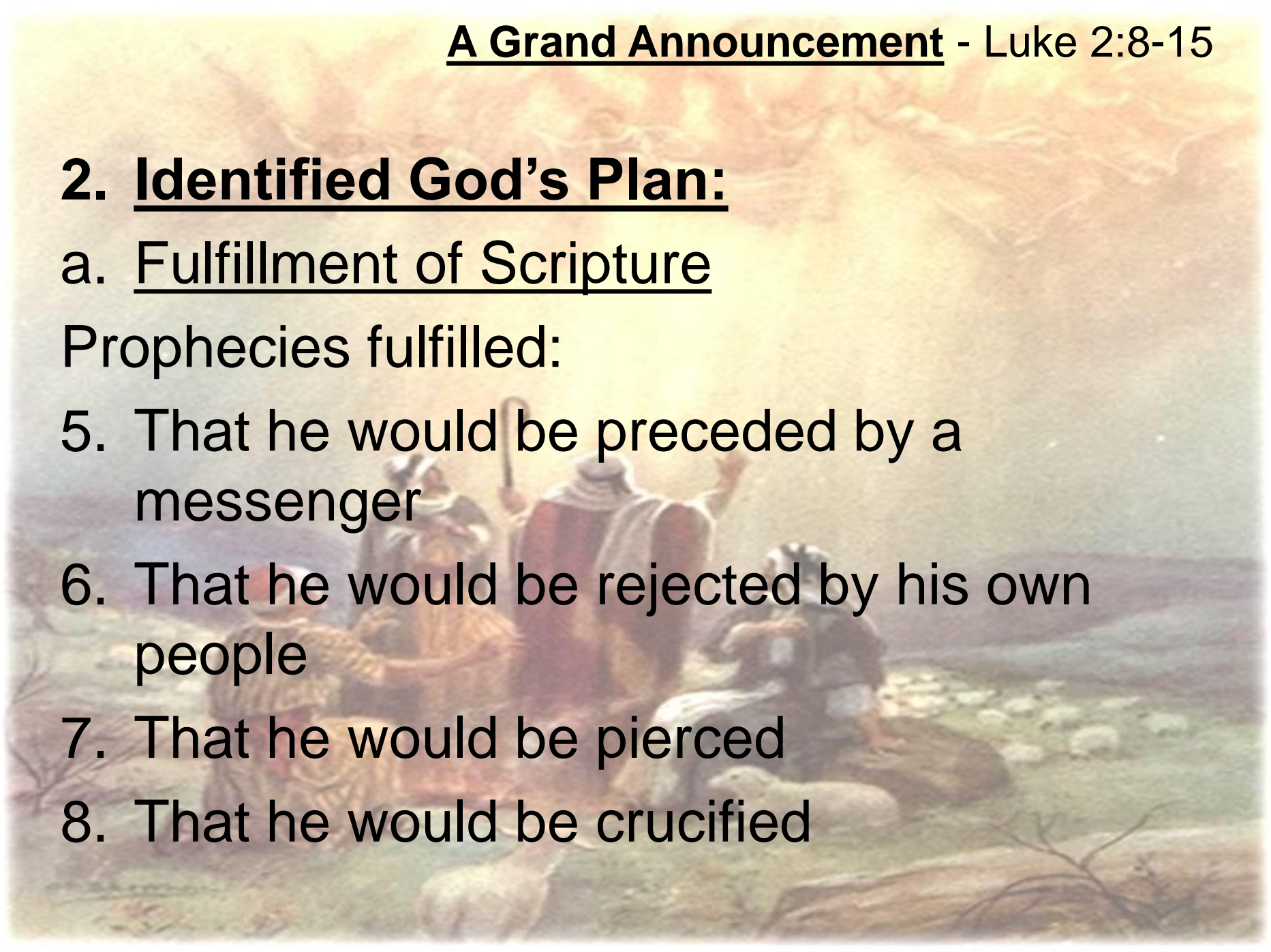


2. Identified God's Plan:

a. **Fulfillment of Scripture**

Prophecies fulfilled:

5. That he would be preceded by a messenger
6. That he would be rejected by his own people
7. That he would be pierced
8. That he would be crucified



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2. Identified God's Plan:

a. Fulfillment of Scripture

8 prophecies about Jesus:

Odds: 1 in 10^{17}

1 in 100,000,000,000,000,000.



48 prophecies: 1 in 10^{157}

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2. Identified God's Plan:

b. Provided Salvation

Luke 2:11b (NIV) – "...a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord"



2. Identified God's Plan:

b. Provided Salvation

Matthew 1:21 (NIV) - She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins."



3. Confirmed God's Promise:

Luke 2:12 (NIV) - This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."



3. Confirmed God's Promise:

Jeremiah 29:11–12 (NIV) - For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. I will be found by you,” declares the LORD.

3. Confirmed God's Promise:

Matthew 11:28–30 (NIV) “Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.”