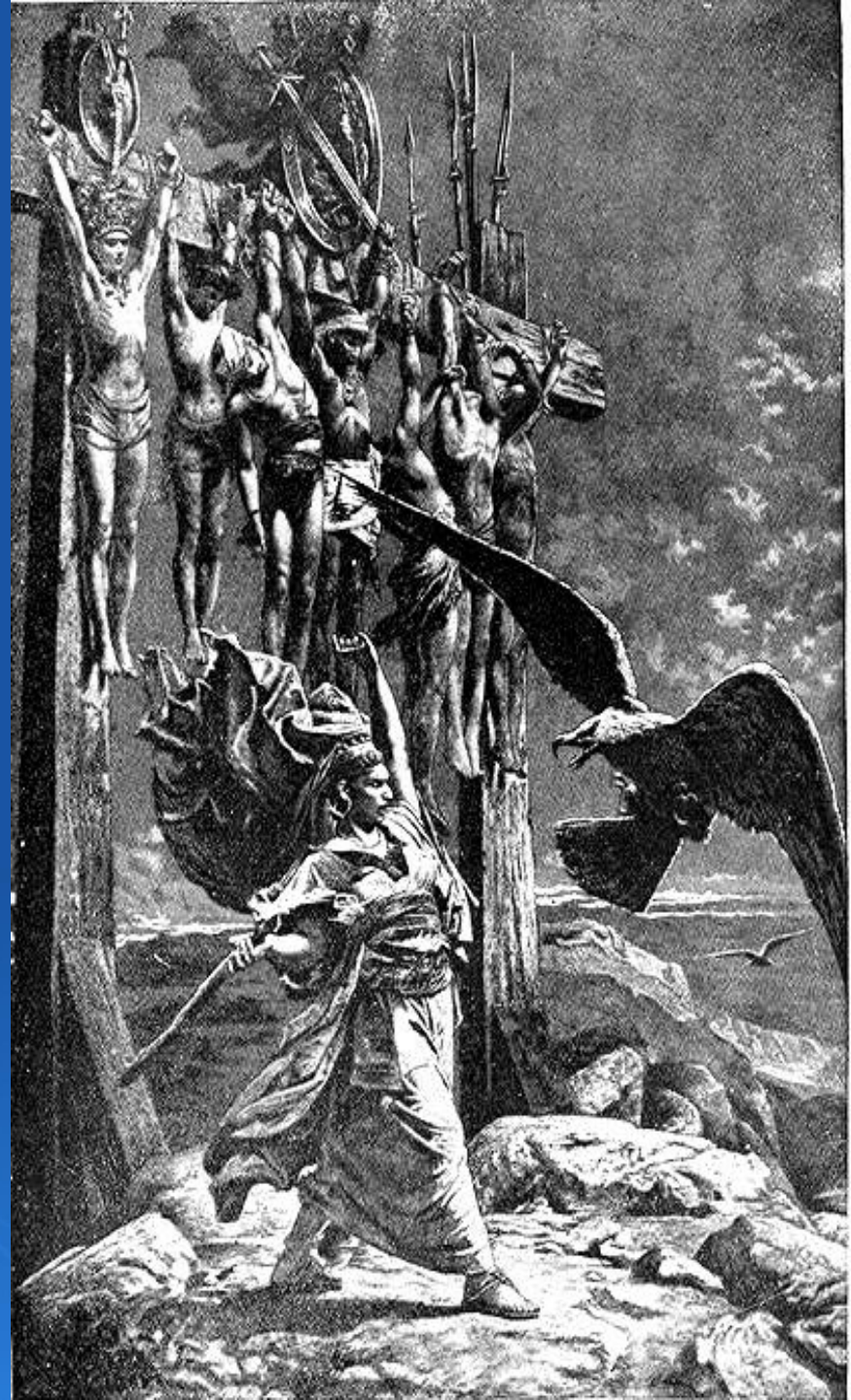


DAVID'S SOLUTION FOR ENDING THE FAMINE

- Ongoing 3-year drought
- YHWH tells David it is because of blood-guilt
- Cause is Saul unjustly killing the Gibeonites
- 7 men of the House of Saul executed
- Rizpah protects their bodies
- David is so impressed that he orders the remains of the 7 bodies plus those of Saul and Jonathan to be returned to Israel and properly buried



God of Israel

Customs & pagan ways



ILLICIT MIXTURE

- The executions of the 7 men were NOT godly atonement for the blood-guilt
- This was an illicit mixture of God's laws, manmade doctrine, superstition, paganism
- Modern Judaism and Christianity are suffering from the same illness
- David did only what was normal and customary for his day
- Had he done otherwise, David would have met great resistance from his people and his religious experts



I'M ON AUTO PILOT

- Many have sensed that something is not quite right on our journey with the Lord
- Something is missing, so we've pressed PAUSE
- Religious leaders, Ministers, family and friends tell us NOT to go back to the Hebrew Scriptures, because only our religious leaders are qualified
- David had the choice of following cultural norms and his religious experts, or consulting God's Word
- We must make that same choice!
- Revelation 3:1 - 6

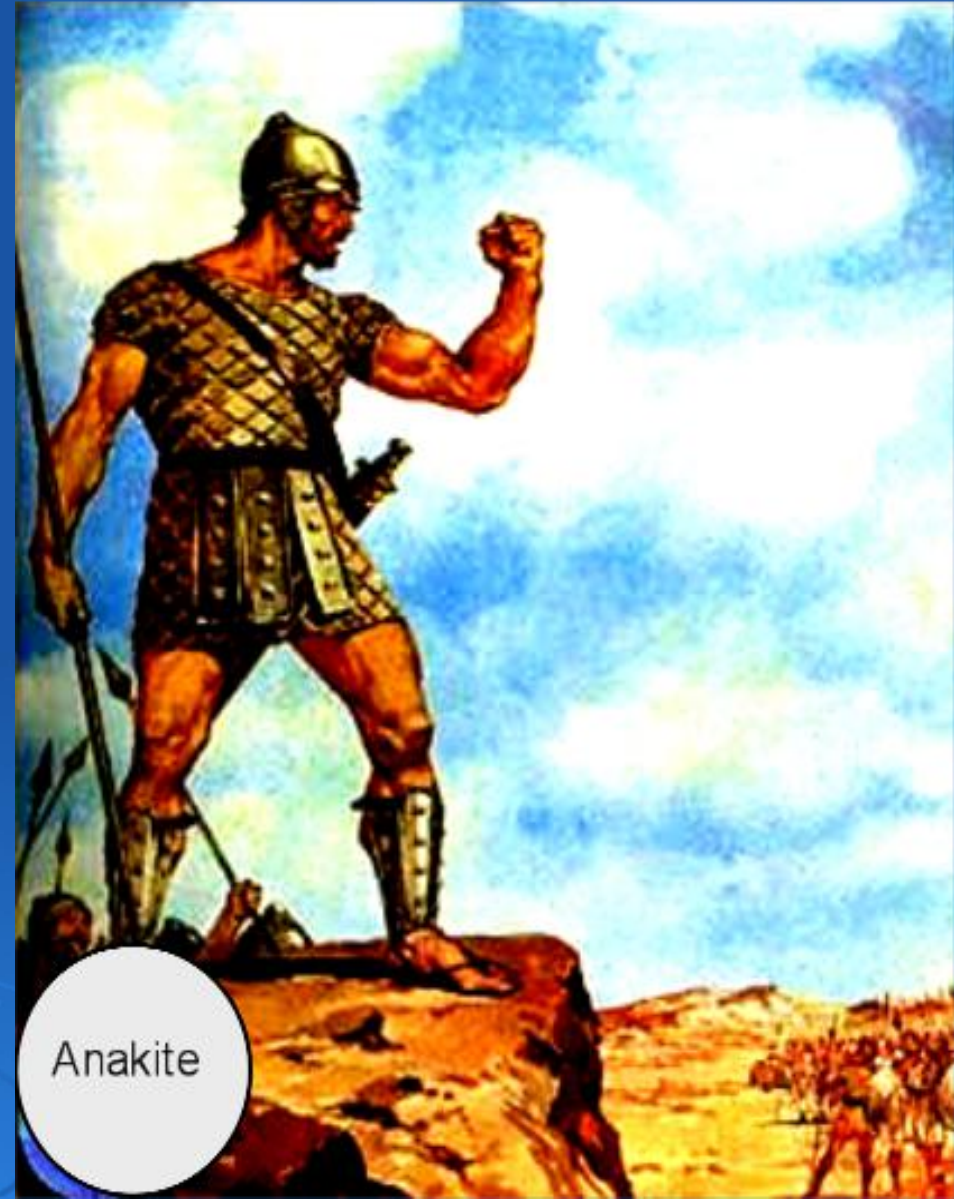
DAVID'S WARS WITH THE PHILISTINES



- This information compiled from various chronicles
- David getting older, *Avishai* had to rescue him
- This is a different Goliath mentioned here
- “Lamp of Israel” more or less = “heart and soul”

THE DEMISE OF THE “GIANTS”

- Anakim also called Rephaim
- Key to the success of the Philistine army
- 6 fingers and 6 toes not unusual for tall/giant people
- Not “sons of the giant”
- *Yalid ha Rapha* = born to *Rapha*
- *Rapha* the father of the *Raphaim (Rephaim)* race



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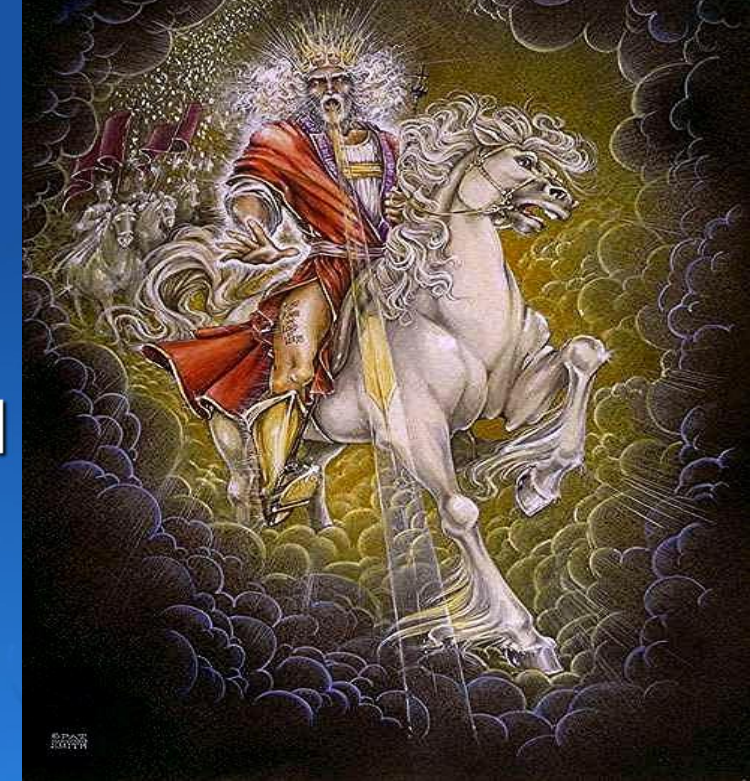
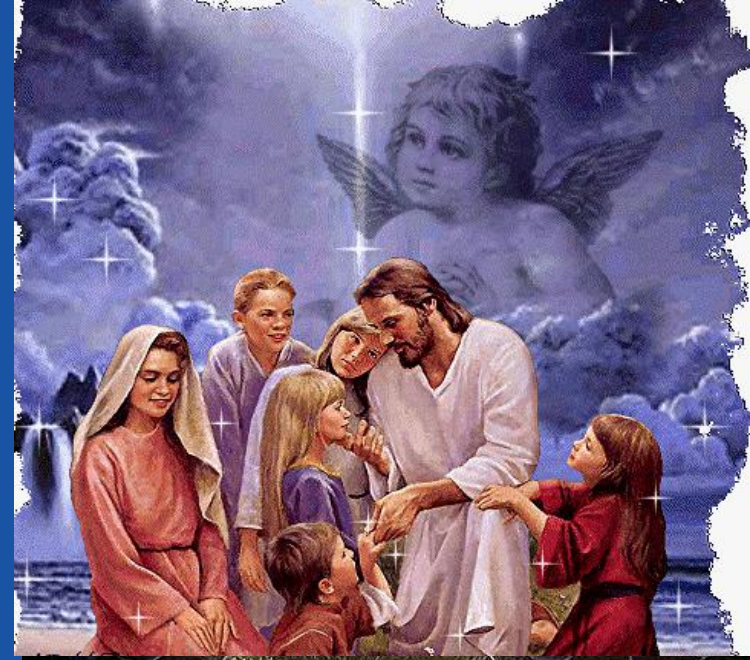
2ND SAMUEL 22: DAVID'S SONG OF THANKSGIVING



- This “Song” is duplicated as Psalm 18 (with a few differences)
- It is about what David has learned about God, kingship, God’s kingdom, future king and kingdom (Messiah)
- Much figurative expression
- Poetry

THE COSMIC CONUNDRUM

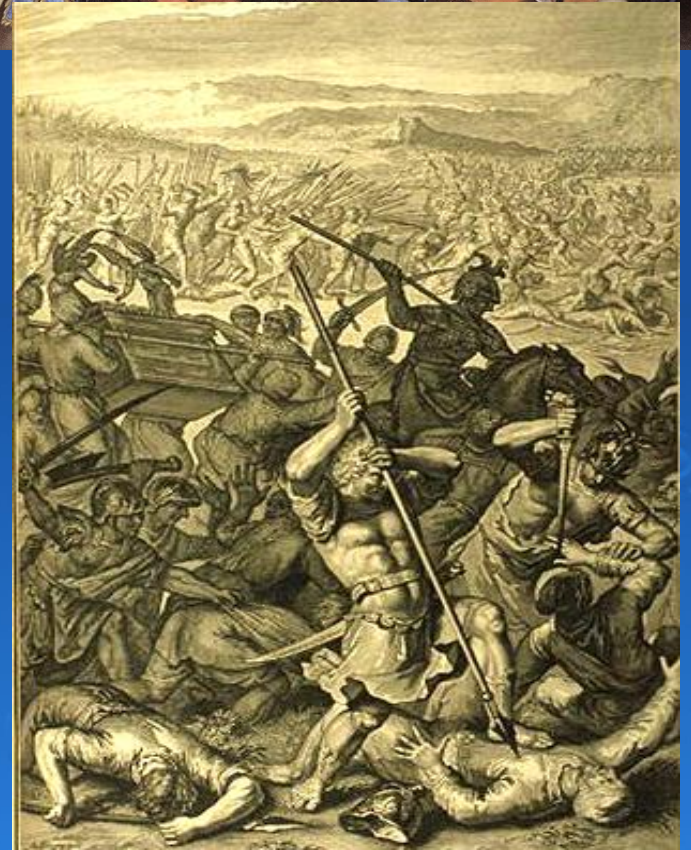
- God has 2 primary attributes:
- 1) Merciful and loving Deliverer
- 2) Fierce, ruthless warrior/king
- Messiah Ben Yosef (1st coming)
- Messiah Ben David (2nd coming)
- Judaism sees two separate Messiahs
- Christianity often dismisses the warrior/king as the abolished Old Testament God
- So who is this being who leads the Battle of Armageddon !!??



SAUL AND “*all my enemies*”



- Saul was a personal issue
- “All my enemies” was a national issue
- The name “YHWH” is used over and over in this Song
- 1st use of “Rock” = *selah*
- *Selah* = high, rocky crag
- 2nd use of “Rock” = *tsur*
- *Tsur* = boulder, strength
- Vss. 2 – 4 a summation of the theme for the entire Psalm



DEATH AT DAVID'S DOORSTEP

- Floods of Belial
- Evil, satanic
- In NT times Belial became a formal name for Satan
- ***Hekal*** = Temple
- Referring to heavenly temple, God's abode
- When God acts, all nature re-acts
- God is Spirit, He is NOT a man OR a Super Man



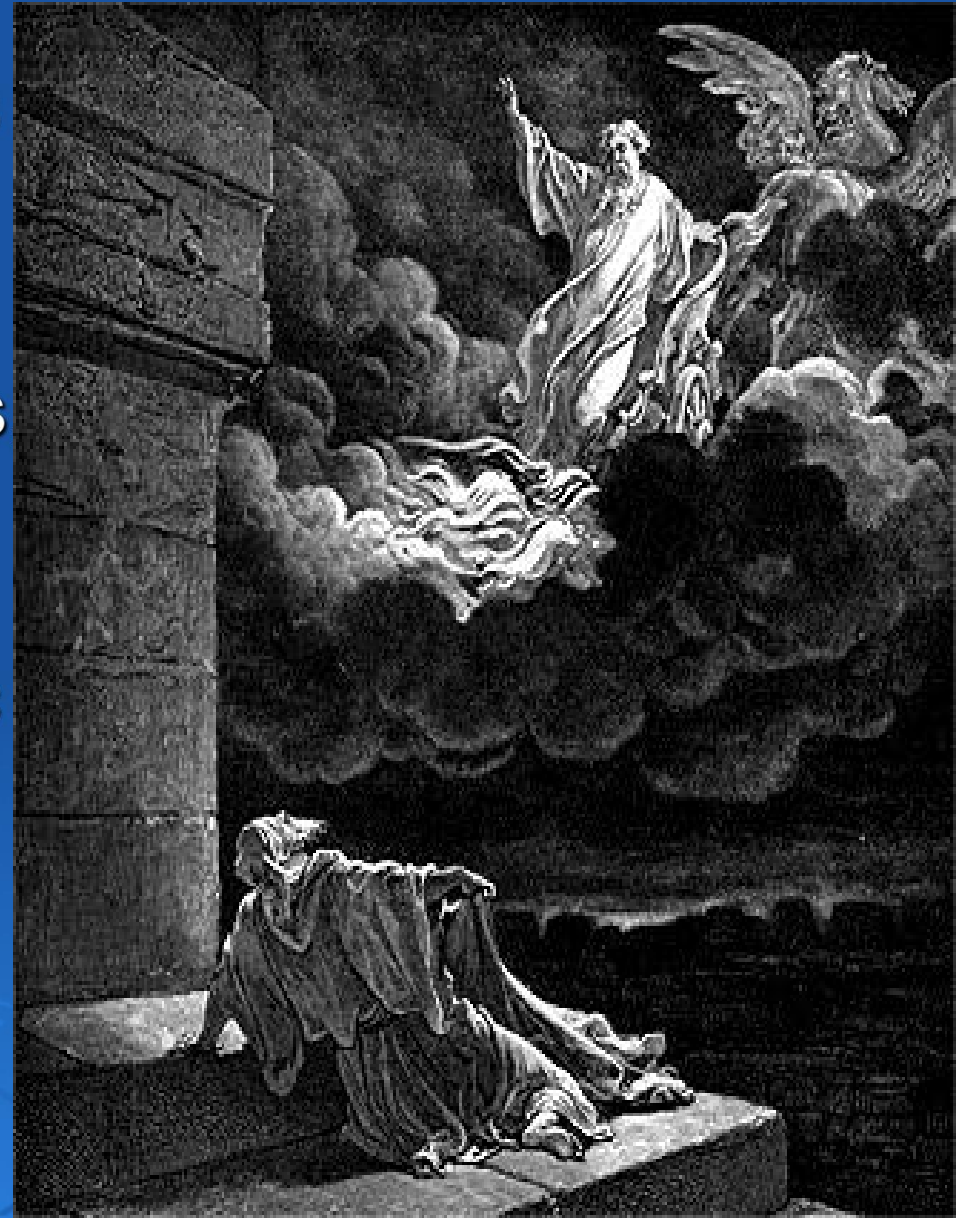
GOD COMES TO EARTH



- Vs. 10 Messianic picture of God coming to earth in darkness
- Ex. 19: 17 – 20
- The darkness is a veil, thus the Parokhet (veil) that separates the Holy of Holies from man
- ***Keruv*** = Cherub
- Riding on the wings of the wind
- ***Ruach*** = wind, spirit
- ***Ruach*** (spirit) is how God manifests Himself on earth

THE DAY OF THE LORD

- The day when God moves against the forces of evil
- Return of Messiah
- God coming with darkness a canopy, clouds dense with water
- 7 Biblical Feasts prophetic of Messianic milestones
- First 4 Feasts have already been fulfilled !





THE FEAST OF SUKKOT

- 2 most important elements are the Sukkah and the Water Libation
- Water Libation asks for rain
- Vs. 12 *“He made choshek His Sukkah....clouds....dense with mayim...”*
- **Choshek** = spiritual darkness, like in Egypt
- **Sukkah** = booth
- **Mayim** = water, rain