

When the Fullness of the Time Came

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“But when the fullness of the time came, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the Law, so that He might redeem those who were under the Law, that we might receive the adoption as sons.” – Galatians 4:4-5

“But when the fullness of the time came,

Genesis 1:1 - “In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.”

John 1:1 - “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.”

Genesis 3:15 - “And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed; He shall bruise you on the head, and you shall bruise Him on the heel.”

Matthew 1:1 - “The record of the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah, the son of David, the son of Abraham.”

Matthew 4:17 - From that time Jesus began to preach and say, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

God sent forth His Son,

Matthew 3:17 - And behold, a voice out of the heavens said, “This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well-pleased.”

Matthew 17:5 - While he was still speaking, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and behold, a voice out of the cloud said, “This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well-pleased; listen to Him!”

John 3:16 - “For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.”

born of a woman,

Isaiah 7:14 - “Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, a virgin will be with child and bear a son, and she will call His name Immanuel.”

Matthew 1:24-25 - “And Joseph awoke from his sleep and did as the angel of the Lord commanded him, and took Mary as his wife, but kept her a virgin until she gave birth to a Son; and he called His name Jesus.”

Luke 1:26-56

born under the Law,

Matthew 5:17 – Jesus said, “Do not think that I came to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I did not come to abolish but to fulfill.”

Luke 23:14 – Pilate said to them, “You brought this man to me as one who incites the people to rebellion, and behold, having examined Him before you, I have found no guilt in this man regarding the charges which you make against Him.”

1 Peter 2:22 - “who committed no sin, nor was any deceit found in His mouth.”

so that He might redeem those who were under the Law,

Ephesians 1:7 - “In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace.”

1 Peter 1:18 - “knowing that you were not redeemed with perishable things like silver or gold from your futile way of life inherited from your forefathers, but with precious blood, as of a lamb unblemished and spotless, the blood of Christ.”

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Ephesians 1:5 - “He predestined us to adoption as sons through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the kind intention of His will.”

Titus 3:7 - “so that being justified by His grace we would be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.”