



Act I

There is HURT.

"Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion!
Shout, Daughter Jerusalem!
See, your king comes to you,
righteous and victorious,
lowly and riding on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey" (Zechariah 9:9).

"When your days are over and you rest with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring to succeed you, your own flesh and blood, and I will establish his kingdom. He is the one who will build a house for my Name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever" (2 Samuel 7:12–13).

"Your descendants will be like the dust of the earth, and you will spread out to the west and to the east, to the north and to the south. All peoples on earth will be blessed through you and your offspring" (Genesis 28:14).

"In that day the Root of Jesse will stand as a banner for the peoples; the nations will rally to him, and his resting place will be glorious" (Isaiah 11:10).

"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." (Micah 5:2).

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will be blessed through you" (Genesis 12:3).

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“Do not be afraid, Mary; you have found favour with God. You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High.”

“How will this be,” Mary asked the angel, “since I am a virgin?”

The angel answered, “The Holy Spirit will rest upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God.

“For nothing is impossible with God.”

LUKE 1:30-37



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Act II

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During the time of King Herod, Magi (wise men) from the east came to Jerusalem and asked, “Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews?

We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.”

When King Herod heard this he was disturbed ... he called together all the chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Messiah was to be born.

“In Bethlehem in Judea,” they replied, “for this is what the prophet has written:

““But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;

for out of you will come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel.””

MATTHEW 2:1-10

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Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, “Go and search carefully for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him.”

After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen when it rose went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was.

When they saw the star, they were overjoyed.

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QUESTION

Why doesn't God do something about the mess the world is in?

#1

Is it God's fault the world is in such a mess?

#2

If it wasn't God, then what caused the mess?

#3

Even if God didn't cause it, why doesn't God do something about it?



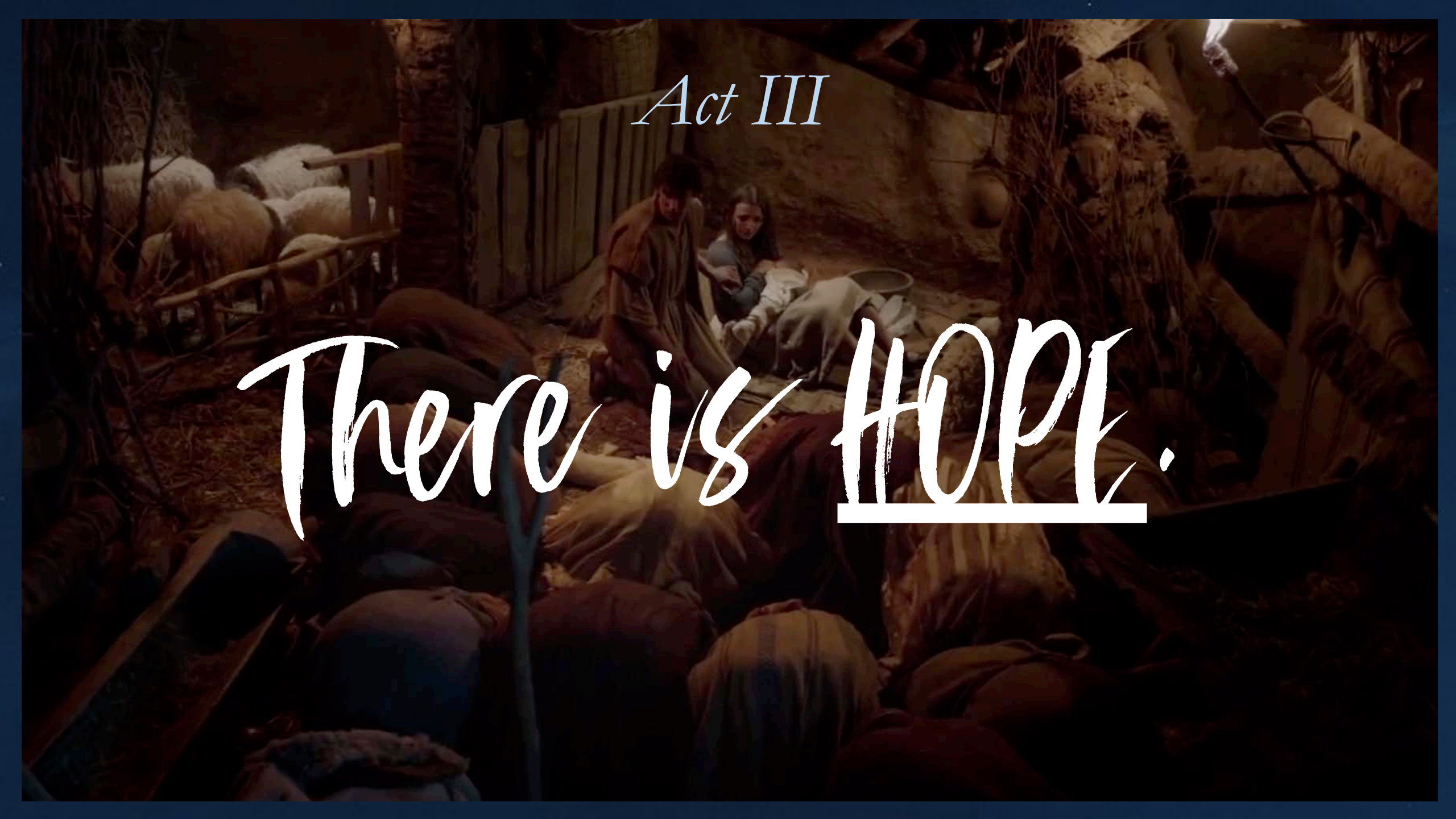
Act III

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For to us a child is born,
to us a son is given,
and the government
will be on his shoulders.
And he will be called
Wonderful Counsellor
Mighty God
Everlasting Father
Prince of Peace.

ISAIAH 9:6-7



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