




The very next day, God delivered His people out of
bondage! He led them through the waters of the sea and
into the healing harbor of His presence.

They passed from death to life, from dark to light, from
hurt to hope, from slavery to salvation.

*He's abounding in love,
a Savior who mends!
Always and forever,
world without end!*



God gathered His newly rescued people at Mount Sinai so they could flourish in His presence!

But there was a big problem—Abraham’s family was just as broken as the rest of the world. How could they dwell with their perfect Savior when they themselves were broken with sin and shame?

In God’s goodness, He made a way! Just like the ancient garments that covered Adam and Eve, and just like the spotless lamb that caused death to pass over His people, God provided a way for them to flourish in His presence – the sacrifice of a spotless, innocent animal.

Would the blood of a lamb be enough to save?
When will the sacrifice end?

How will God once and for all
wash away *everyone’s* sin?

After Mount Sinai, God's people ventured into a land that God wanted them to conquer and keep. And a son of Abraham named David rose to the throne!

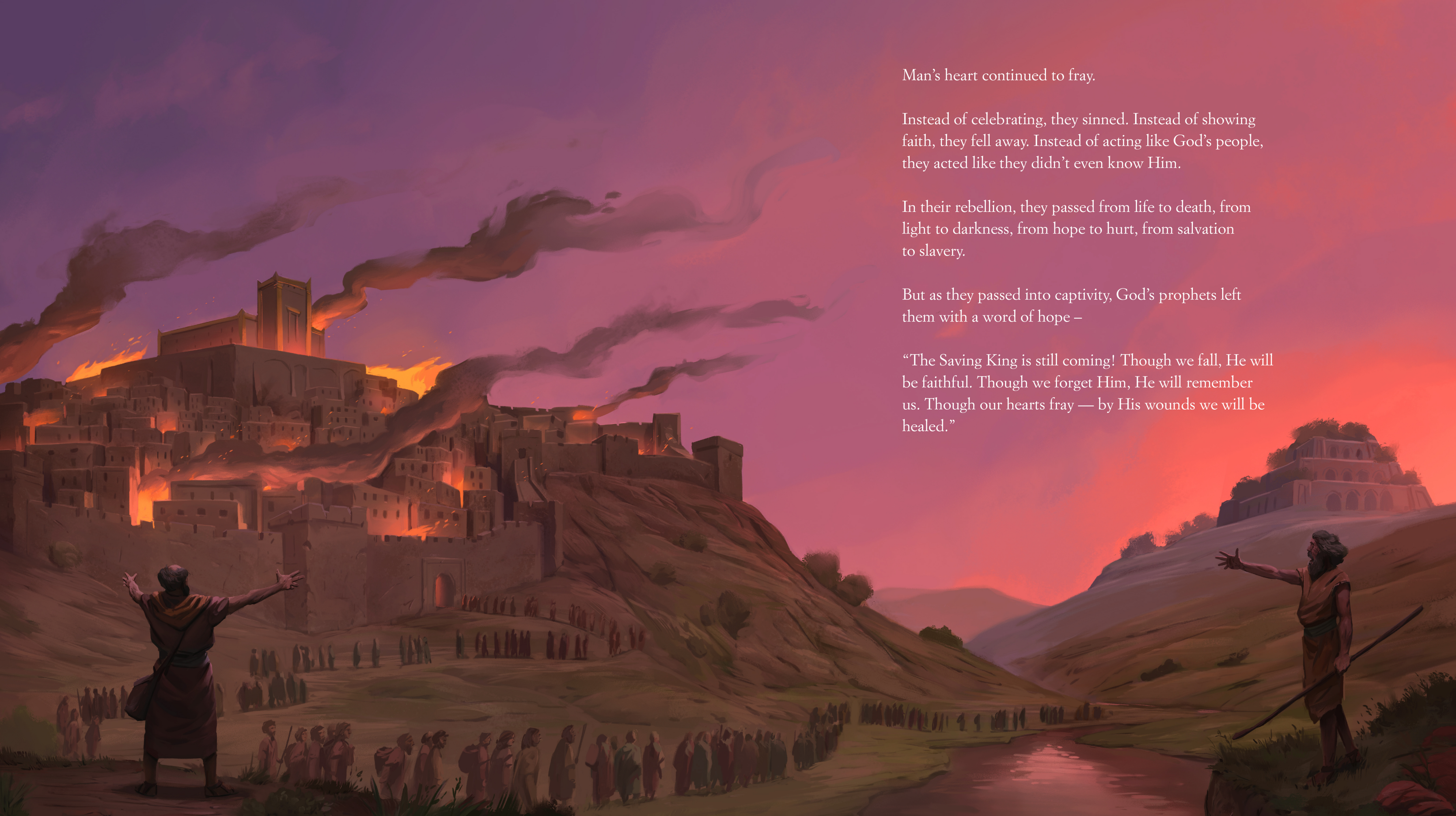
But in the midst of David's reign, a hope-filled hush fell over His house—and God spoke!

“From your offspring, I will raise up a Saving King who will establish a happy-ever-after Kingdom! He will rescue the whole world from bondage just like I did for my people in Egypt. And His Kingdom will spread life and light to every dark corner of the world!”

*He'll be abounding in love,
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But you'll never guess what happened next...





Man's heart continued to fray.

Instead of celebrating, they sinned. Instead of showing faith, they fell away. Instead of acting like God's people, they acted like they didn't even know Him.

In their rebellion, they passed from life to death, from light to darkness, from hope to hurt, from salvation to slavery.

But as they passed into captivity, God's prophets left them with a word of hope –

“The Saving King is still coming! Though we fall, He will be faithful. Though we forget Him, He will remember us. Though our hearts fray — by His wounds we will be healed.”

Hundreds of years passed by, and the prophets' words seemed to fade like ink on an old letter. But those who knew God knew better.

One still and sleepless night in the city of David, with sandals still strapped and bags strewn about a manger, a distant daughter of Eve and a great-grandson of Abraham waited in wonder. A hush fell over heaven and nature...

This was the new beginning – the fresh start God had promised!

The Saving King was born, and all creation sang!

“Mighty God! Prince of Peace!
Who saves from death and sin!

Jesus has come! Our Saving King!
Forever and ever, amen!”



“God has looked down on our humble estate—Let us rejoice in God our Savior! Let our souls magnify the Lord!”

