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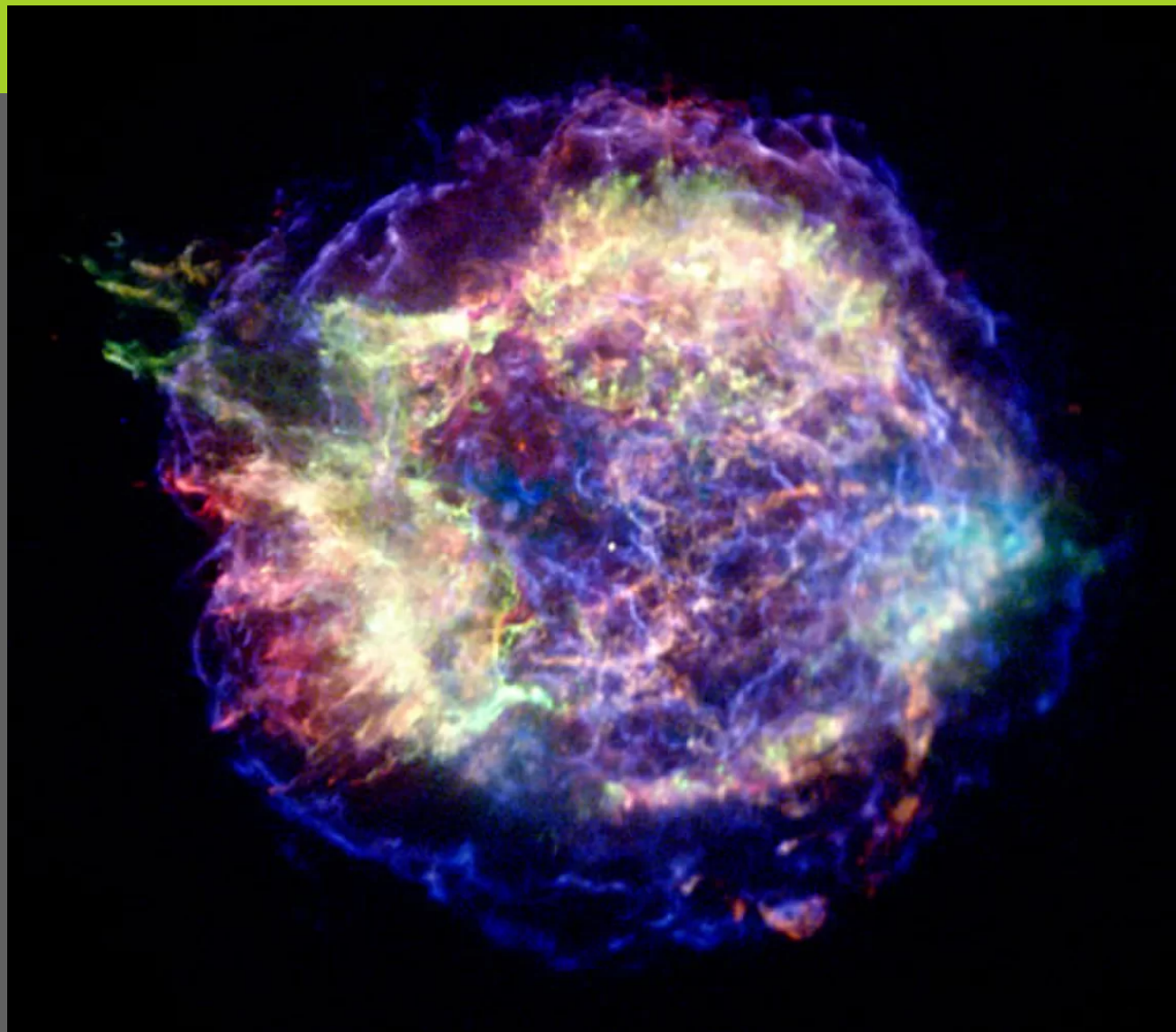
Name this child Jesus- which means 'Yahweh saves'- because He will save His people from their sins- He will rescue His people from the danger of sin, which is ultimately being separated from God, and He will restore His people to a place of well-being, that is to life as sons and daughters of God.

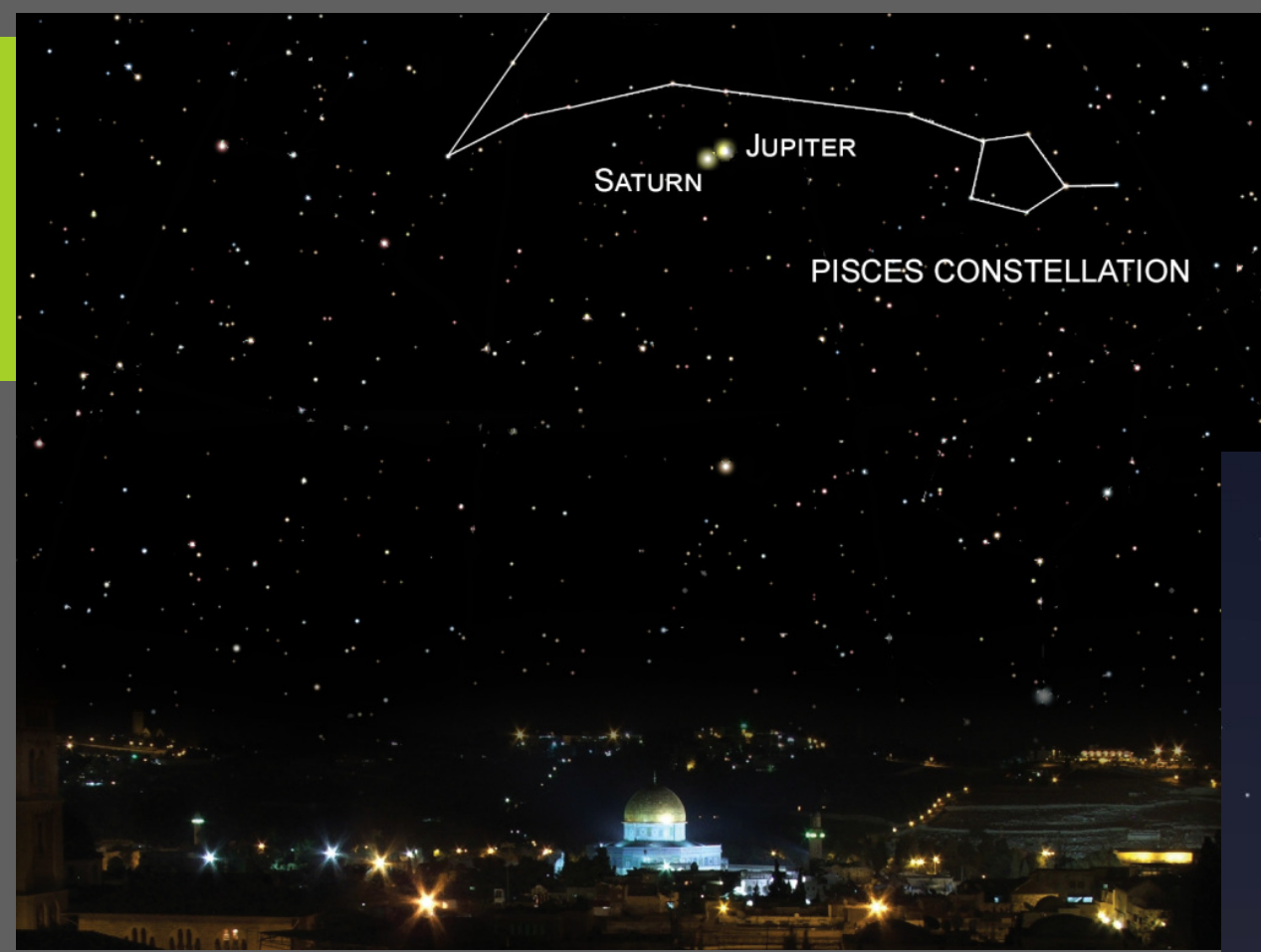


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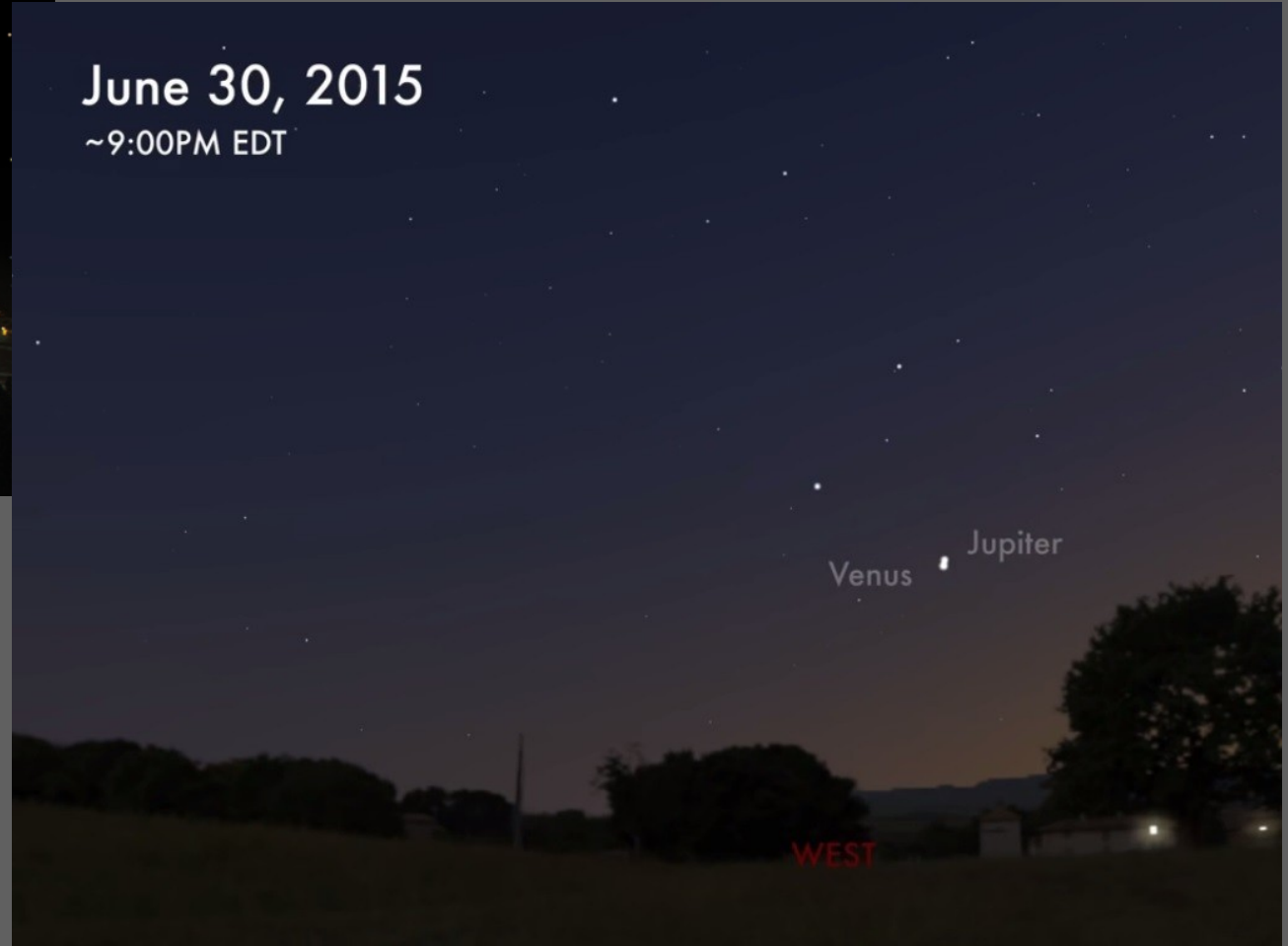
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RULER AS SHEPHERD

- **V6:** And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are in no way least among the rulers of Judah, **for out of you will come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel**
- **God-** Ps 23.1: The LORD is my shepherd, I lack nothing.
- **Kings-** Ps 78.70-71: He chose David His servant and took him from the sheep pens; from tending the sheep He brought him to be the shepherd of His people Jacob, of Israel His inheritance.
- **Messiah-** Ez 34.23-24: I will place over them one shepherd, My servant David, and He will tend them; He will tend them and be their shepherd. I the LORD will be their God, and My servant David will be prince among them.

JESUS IS THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Rom 5.6-10: You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, **Christ died for the ungodly**. Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. But **God demonstrates His own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us**. Since we have now been justified by His blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through Him! For if, **while we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to Him through the death of His Son**, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through His life!

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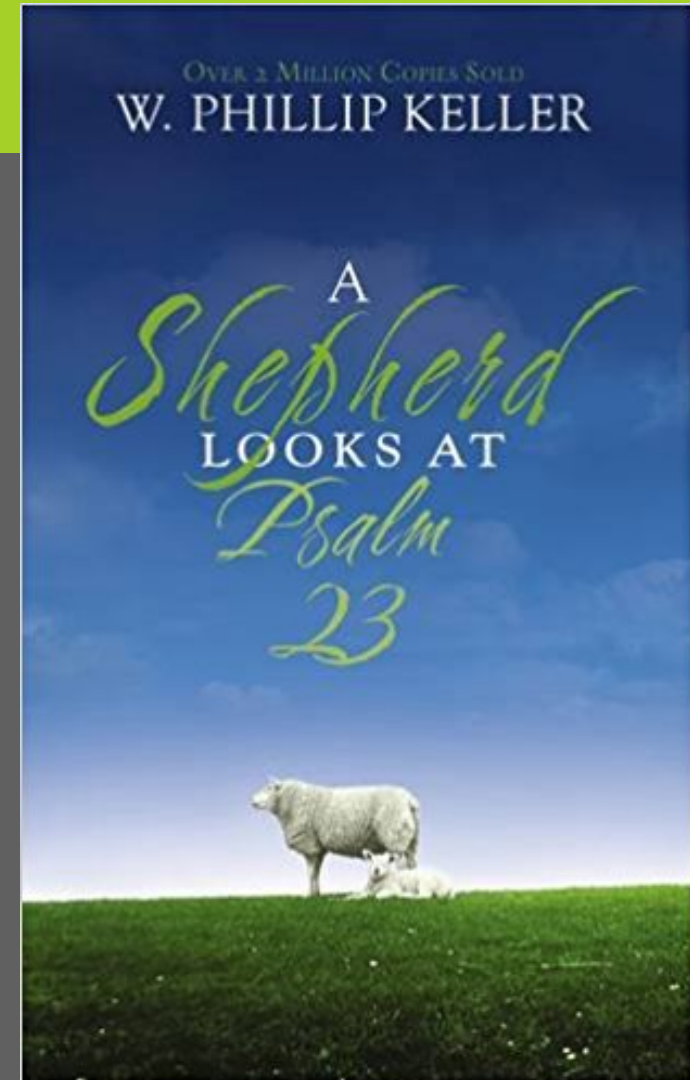
The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not be in want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures, He leads me beside quiet waters, He restores my soul. He guides me in paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.



JESUS IS THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Beginning of his life- Ps 34.8-10: Taste and see that the LORD is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in Him.

Fear the LORD, you His holy people, for those who fear Him lack nothing.

The lions may grow weak and hungry, but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.

End of his life- Ps 23.1: The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not be in want.

THE SUFFICIENCY OF JESUS



THE MAGI'S RESPONSE

