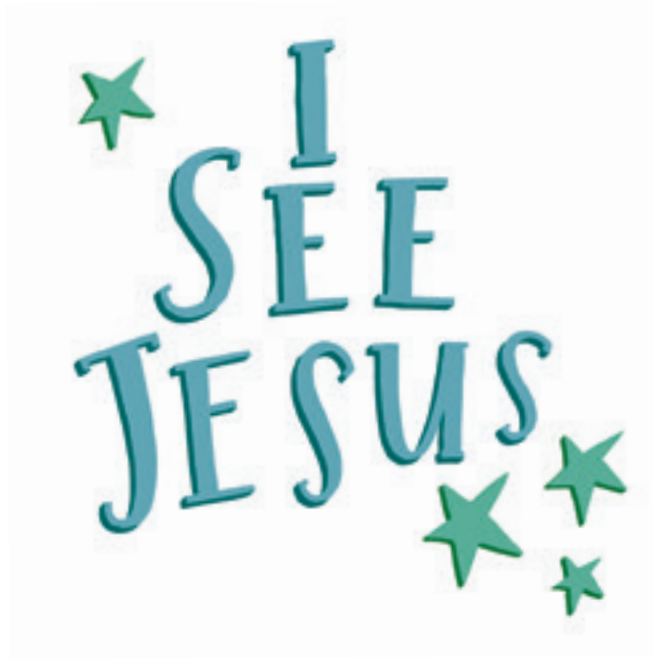


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When I stand in the sun and look down, I can see my shadow. It looks a lot like me, but it isn't me.

The Old Testament is full of shadows. And when we look at these shadows, we can see something that looks a lot like Jesus.

Just like we can't see everything about ourselves in our own shadow, we don't see everything about Jesus in his shadows, but we do see some things about who he will be, what he will do, and how he will save.

“These are a shadow of the things to come, but the substance belongs to Christ.” COLOSSIANS 2:17 ESV





Adam faced temptation about the forbidden tree in the Garden of Eden. If he obeyed God about the tree, he would live. But Adam did not obey.

In the shadow of Adam I see Jesus, the **Second Adam**. Jesus faced temptation about a tree—the cross—in the Garden of Gethsemane. If Jesus obeyed God about the tree, he would die. And Jesus obeyed!

“Because one person disobeyed God, many became sinners. But because one other person obeyed God, many will be made righteous.” ROMANS 5:19





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Noah built the ark for his family to hide in, so they would be safe in the storm of God's punishment for sin.

In the shadow of the ark I see Jesus, the Ark of Safety.  
All who hide in Jesus are safe from God's punishment for sin.

"For you died to this life, and your real life is hidden with Christ in God." COLOSSIANS 3:3





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In the shadow of the stars I see Jesus, the bright **Morning Star**. Jesus is the son of Abraham through whom all the families on the earth are blessed.

“I, Jesus ... am the bright morning star.” REVELATION 22:16

God told Abraham to look up into the night sky and count the stars. God promised that he would have more children than there are stars in the sky.



God told Abraham to offer Isaac, the son that he loved, as a sacrifice for sin. Isaac carried the wood on which he would be sacrificed. But God provided a ram to be sacrificed in Isaac's place so that Isaac could live.

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In the shadow of Isaac I see Jesus, the Beloved Son of the Father. Jesus carried the wood on which he would be sacrificed. God provided Jesus to be a sacrifice in our place, so that we can live.

“For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life.” JOHN 3:16





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Jacob blessed Judah and said that one day someone from Judah's tribe would rule over all nations like a powerful lion.

In the shadow of Judah I see Jesus, the Lion of the Tribe of Judah. Jesus will one day return to earth to rule the nations.

"To the Son he says, 'Your throne, O God, endures forever and ever. You rule with a scepter of justice.'" HEBREWS 1:8