



FOR THE BIG PICTURE TO HELP ALLEVIATE MY BIG PROBLEMS...

1. I NEED TO SEE _____.

• THE BIG PICTURE REVEALS SOME _____ IN THE WORLD.

- A 13–15-year-old single Jewish virgin is pregnant with God’s baby.
- The baby will be born in a stable in Bethlehem.
- Rome, a powerful, polytheistic, and hedonistic empire is in power.
- God’s chosen people are enslaved to Godless Rome.
- Herod, Israel’s evil pseudo-king is hell bent on protecting his throne.
- The young family must flee to a foreign country for sanctuary.

• THE BIG PICTURE REVEALS THAT JESUS CREATED THE WORLD

▪ Three “views” of Christ’s Coming into the World.

1. Our _____ micro view: Think _____.

2. The _____ view: Think _____ Chapter One.

The family tree of Jesus Christ, David's son, Abraham's son...¹⁷ There were fourteen generations from Abraham to David, another fourteen from David to the Babylonian exile, and yet another fourteen from the Babylonian exile to Christ. Matthew 1:1, 17 (MP)

3. _____ View: Think _____ Chapter One.

In the beginning the Word already existed. The Word was with God, and the Word was God.² He was already with God in the beginning.³ Everything came into existence through him. Not one thing that exists was made without him...¹⁴ The Word became human and lived among us. We saw his glory. It was the glory that the Father shares with his only Son, a glory full of kindness and truth. John 1:1-3, 14 (GW)

• THE BIG PICTURE REVEALS THAT JESUS IS _____ OF THE WORLD.

NOTE: If it is _____, it is _____ and not out of control.

▪ The _____ was prophesied.

All right then, the Lord Himself will give you the sign. Look! The virgin will conceive a Child! She will give birth to a Son and will call Him Immanuel (which means 'God is with us'). Isaiah 9:6 (NLT)

▪ The _____ was prophesied.

Bethlehem Ephrathah, you are small among the clans of Judah; One will come from you to be ruler over Israel for Me. His origin is from antiquity, from eternity. Micah 5:2 (HCSV)

▪ The _____ (Roman) we prophesied.

“In the time of those kings, the God of heaven will set up a kingdom that will never be destroyed....⁴⁵This is the meaning of the vision of the rock cut out of a mountain, but not by human hands—a rock that broke the iron, the bronze, the clay, the silver and the gold to pieces. Daniel 2:39 - 45 (NIV)

▪ Herod’s _____ was prophesied.

A voice rises from Ramah— mourning and bitter weeping are heard day and night. The voice is Rachel’s; she’s weeping for her children. She will not be comforted, for her children are no more. Jeremiah 31:15 (VOICE)

▪ The return from their sanctuary (Egypt) was prophesied.

When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son. Hosea 11:1 (NIV)

▪ Christ’s _____ and its _____ was prophesied.

...the Book of Life. That book belongs to the lamb who was slaughtered before the creation of the world. Revelation 13:8 (GW)

2. I NEED TO “SEE TO IT” THAT _____.

This very day in King David's hometown a Savior was born for you. He is Christ the Lord. Luke 2:11 (CEV)

You call me 'Teacher.' And you call me 'Lord.' And this is right, because that is what I am.¹⁷ If you know these things, great blessings will be yours if you do them. John 13:13, 17 (CEV)

See to it, brothers and sisters, that none of you has a sinful, unbelieving heart that turns away from the living God. Hebrews 3:12 (NIV)

The God who created and controls the world wants to _____ and _____ me.