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## Ron and Val Berrus

...Laboring for the Laborers

### JCI #100 Christmas Poems December 2010

*Psalm 39:12 "Hear my prayer, O Lord... for I am a 'pilgrim' with You..."*

This first poem is built around the abraham and Isaac narrative prefiguring the coming Messiah Lamb. The second one below is focused on the utterly amazing reality of the incarnation, the greatest miracle of all! I will be sending them out separately in pdf with backgrounds. [ron@bbcpa.org](mailto:ron@bbcpa.org)

### Where is the Lamb?

**Where is the lamb, young Isaac asked**

For wood and fire and knife I see

No offering, no blood to shed

No lamb to die in sinner's stead

How shall before the Lord we come

No lamb to offer, asked the son

**My son, his aged father said,**

God will provide himself a lamb

With heavy step and heavy heart

Walked on the faithful patriarch

Until the mountain came in view

The place where sacrifice was due

**Stone stacked on stone, an altar grew**

To claim the life of Abram's jewel

How could God claim that life and still

In mystery His word fulfill

Yet Abraham was fully sure

That promises once made endure

In Isaac is your seed secure

**The aged hand took up the knife**

Obedience would take the life

But angel voice that hand would stay

"Touch not the lad" another way

Jehovah Jireh will provide

Another in his place to die

**Behold the Christmas Infant lay**

Upon a manger, in the hay

This sinless child would grow to be

That sacrifice for you and me

To bear our sins, die in our place

Provide the gift of saving grace

**Seed of the woman, Holy Son**

From Abram, Isaac, Judah come

Eternal One from heaven's throne

To earth has come by virgin's womb

Behold the Lamb in manger laid

The Son of God in flesh arrayed

**Burnt offerings and sacrifice**

Could never pay sin's awful price

T'was Christ alone could take our place

And with His blood our sins erase

Behold the Lamb upon the tree

That sacrifice for you and me

**And all the pow'r of death and hell**

Were powerless to stop the swell

Of resurrection power come

To raise the sinless, Holy One

He lives! Let every knee bow down

And tongue confess He wears the crown

**O Lord of lords, O King of kings**

Our sacrifice, our offering

We call You Lord, we call You Lamb

O Son of God, The Great I AM

We live to sing Your ceaseless praise

For endless, everlasting days

**The Lamb who in a manger lay**

The Lamb who died for sins to pay

The Lamb who rose to take the throne

The Lamb who reigns to save His own

The Lamb who comes is Lord of all

The Lamb before whom all will bow

**The Greatest Miracle of All**

**Psalm 85:10; Isa 9:6-7; John 1:1-18; Phil 2:5-8; Heb 2:7-9**

**Think about it. Isn't the incarnation the greatest miracle of all?**

That God **could** become man (greatest contemplation)

that God **would** become man (greatest condescension)

that God **did** become man (greatest actuality)

that God became man **forever** (greatest duration)

**for you!** (greatest affection)

# The Greatest Miracle of All

How could God incarnate be

Wrapped in frail humanity

Ever living Deity

Virgin born today

How could God incarnate be

Sinless, bearing sin for me

Ever living Deity

Dying on the tree

How could God incarnate be

Dead and buried, three days He

Ever living Deity

Rising from the grave

How could God incarnate be

Interceding now for me

Ever living Deity

Sitting on His throne

How could God incarnate be

Still a man in glory He

Ever living Deity

God-man forevermore

Behold your God incarnate He

Jesus, Lord of history

Coming King of prophecy

Before Your throne we bow

Greatest miracle of all

Remedy for Adam's fall

Second Adam, Great I AM

Judah's Lion, Mary's Lamb

**"Lord , I cannot fathom such grace, such justice, such mercy, such condescension, such humility, such faithfulness, such loyalty, such perseverance, such sacrifice, such willingness, such compassion, such commitment, such love... as Thine. O God Incarnate, before Thee I ever bow my knees and confess with Thomas all doubts resolved... "MY LORD AND MY GOD!" Amen."**

Remember, you are very special to us and we pray for you.

Have a blessed Christmas season and a fruitful 2011 as we await the One who is coming soon! Revelation 22:12

## Living with leaving in view.... Jn 9:4

### Ron & Val

*Seeing The Invisible, embracing The Unapproachable, declaring The Unexplainable, changed by The Immutable, running after The Irresistible with inexhaustible joy in our inexpressible sorrows, spending our time on eternity, owning nothing yet possessing everything that matters and lasts. We are Pilgrims in Paradox. Welcome to THE JOURNEY.*

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