JESSE TREE ORNAMENTS

1. FRUIT of the TREE of KNOWLEDGE of GOOD and EVIL

Genesis 3:1-6 Romans 5:12, 15-19

Because sin entered the world, God had to send His Son, Jesus, as a sacrifice for our sin.

2. ALTAR of SACRIFICE

Exodus 27, tells how the altar was made. Isaiah 53:5-6 Romans 3:25a I John 2:2 I John 4:9-10

On this altar the priests sacrificed the animals for the sin of the people. Jesus, the Lamb of God, became the sacrifice for our sin, once and for all.

3. NOAH'S ARK

Genesis 6 John 14:6 I John 5:11-12

Noah was saved by believing and obeying God. We are saved by believing in and obeying God's plan of salvation.

4. JACOB'S LADDER

Genesis 28:10-14 Galatians 3:26-29

God promised to bless the whole earth through the descendants of Jacob. Who are these descendants? The Jewish nation and ultimately Jesus.

5. MOSES in the BASKET

Exodus 2:1-10 Romans 8:1-2 Hebrews 2:15-16

John 8:34 Romans 6:16

God saved Moses in order to free His people from slavery in Egypt. God sent His Son to free us from the slavery of sin.

6. THE BURNING BUSH

Exodus 3:1-10 John 1:1 &14

God appeared to Moses in the burning bush and chose him to lead Israel out of slavery to Egypt. God appeared to us in the person Jesus. He freed us from sin and chose us to lead others out of the slavery of sin by sharing the Gospel with them.

7. SACRIFICIAL LAMB

Exodus 12:1-4 John 1:29 Hebrews 9:22 I Peter 2:24 Jesus is our sacrificial lamb.

8. MANNA

Exodus 12:1-14 Matthew 6:31-34 Matthew 4:4 John 6:30-40 The manna the Jews ate in the desert was a symbol of Christ, the True Bread which descended from Heaven.

9. TABLETS of the LAW

Exodus 20:1-18 Hebrews 10:1-14 Romans 3:23-24 Romans 6:23 The law shows our need for a Saviour. In the law we see God's standard and our inability to meet this standard.

10. BRAZEN SERPENT

Numbers 21:5-9 John 3:14-16

We now look to the cross of Jesus to be healed from the sickness of sin.

11. JONAH in the FISH

Jonah 1:17 Jonah 2:1-10 Matthew 12:39-40 Matthew 28:5-6 When the Pharisees asked Jesus for a sign proving He was the Saviour, Jesus said no other sign would be given them but that of Jonah.

12. THE HOLY BIBLE

Romans 1:16-17 Mark 13:31 II Timothy 3:16-17 God's Word will never pass away.

13. BETHLEHEM

Micah 5:2 Luke 2:10-11

Hundreds of years before Jesus was born, Micah prophesied that He would be born in Bethlehem.

14. THE CORNERSTONE

Psalms 118:22 Luke 20:17-18 Acts 4:11-12 Ephesians 2:20 I Corinthians 3:11 I Peter 2:7-8 Jesus is the One upon whom our faith is built.

15. SON of RIGHTEOUSNESS

Malachi 4:2 Hebrews 2:14 Jeremiah 23:6 Isaiah 42:6 Revelation 19:11 Jesus, the Son of Righteousness, heals us from the sickness of sin and death, setting us free.

16. WISE MEN

Matthew 2:1-12 Phillipians 2:10-11 Hebrews 11:6 Wise men still seek Him.

17. ZION, the NEW JERUSALEM

Revelation 21:1-4 Hallelujah!!!

18. CROWN and SCEPTER

Psalms 72 Psalms 146:10 II Timothy 2:11-12a Revelation 5:10 Revelation 11:15 Revelation 22:5 The crown and scepter signify Christ's rule, one of love and mercy.

19. THE ANGEL

Luke 2:8-14 Colossians 3:16-17

The angels witnessed the birth of the Saviour by singing and praising God. It is important for us to sing praises to God also.

20. KINDLING WOOD and KNIFE

Genesis 22:1-13 John 3:16

Abraham and Issac are a picture of God, the Father and Jesus. God, the Father, willingly gave His only Son as a sacrifice for our sins. Jesus, the Son, willingly lay His life down for us.