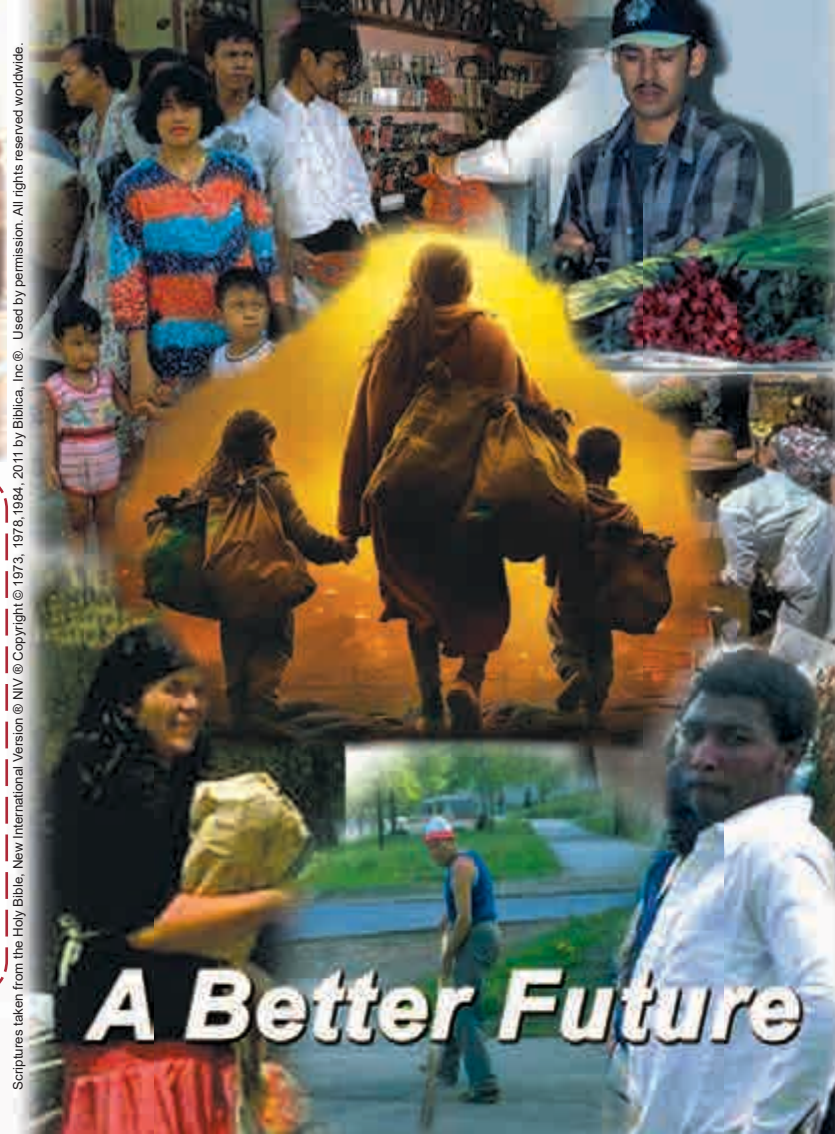




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A Better Future

Looking Forwards

The days are cold and wet... the language is hard to understand... everything is so different. Could this place ever feel like home?

But surely it must be better than what I've left behind.



Of course the promise of a much better future does lie ahead... especially if we're willing to face up to the greatest challenge of all...

Looking Backwards



To be a stranger in a different land can be so difficult... and yet God's Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, understands. He too left His home in heaven to become one of us. Speaking of His own accommodation problems He says in the Bible that He had...

...no place to lay his head.

Matthew 8:20

But He also knows we need an answer to our fear, uncertainty and despair. And in all this He offers us His special help...

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.

Matthew 11:28

Yet to know the peace of God in the midst of our struggles we must first find peace WITH God. And again His Son, Christ Jesus, tells us how..

...I am the way and the truth and the life. No-one comes to the Father except through me.

John 14:6



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Looking inwards

Though we've probably been victims of poverty and perhaps ill-treatment now left behind, God says that each one of us is not totally innocent.

In the lives of us all there will be such things as...

...sexual immorality, impurity... evil desires and greed...

Colossians 3:5

And therefore...

...all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God...

Romans 3:23

He tells us that one day each of us must stand before Him to give account of the way we've lived our lives...

...people are destined to die once, and after that to face judgment...

Hebrews 9:27

But the good news is that He has already made a way of escape.



Looking upwards

2000 years ago, the Lord Jesus Christ, God in the form of man, came into this world... the only One ever to live a perfect life. In this way He was 'good enough' to take the punishment we deserve when He gave His life for us on the Cross of Calvary...

God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Romans 5:8

Unlike every other world religion, Christianity doesn't demand that men and women 'earn' acceptance with God. Even our very best could never be good enough. In God's sight...

...all our righteous acts are like filthy rags...

Isaiah 64:6

Instead, with His help, He calls us to turn away from all we know to be wrong and seek His forgiveness.

And in asking the risen Christ Jesus into our lives to become our Saviour and Lord, we're given a completely new start... with the power to live a new lifestyle, pleasing to Him...

...if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!

2 Corinthians 5:17



Looking outwards

When we're far from home, feeling lost and lonely, how precious it is to find a true friend. Having already shown His love for us, the Lord Jesus wants us to come to know Him as that special friend...

Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for his friends.

John 15:13

In turn, He asks for lasting loyalty from those of us who would be His true followers...

You are my friends if you do what I command.

John 15:14

But of course, He also promises to be with us every step of the way...

Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you.

Hebrews 13:5



Looking onwards

Our outlook can seem very bleak. We could be forced to return to our own country. Yet, though we might have to face all kinds of danger, we have God's promise of victory in this world...

Who is it that overcomes the world? Only the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God.

1 John 5:5

...and in the next...

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that

whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16

But how easy it is to ignore or reject Him... the consequences of which are surely unthinkable...

...whoever does not believe stands condemned already...

John 3:18

Therefore, what better time than now to reach out to Him... and find that He is already reaching out to you...

...it is time to seek the LORD.

Hosea 10:12