



BIBLE RADIO PRODUCTIONS INC.

www.bibleradio.org.au

BIBLE ADVENTURES SCRIPT:

A1440 ~ The Golden Calf.

Welcome to Bible Adventures. Help for today. Hope for tomorrow. Jesus is Lord of all.

When the first great world war ended in 1918, the German nation was struggling to pay its debts, and to rebuild. The people had lost hope, and they were looking for someone to lead them to better times.

After a few years, a new leader, Hitler, came to power. He had big ideas and he made great promises. Millions of people listened to his speeches and believed everything he said. He wanted to build a world empire; he would be at the top, and Germany would be the ruling power.

Most of the German people saw him as the Saviour of Germany, and closed their eyes to the many evil things he did. They could only see he had given them hope, after all the hard times they'd had. They just did not stop to think about all the innocent people he put in prison camps or the millions he murdered. Most of the nation, and many of the religious leaders, gave honour to his name, and willingly followed him.

For hundreds of years, the German nation had believed in the Almighty God. They had heard the truth about the Lord Jesus, God's One and only Son. They knew Jesus had prayed for His enemies, "Father forgive them." Jesus did not want to murder people, even when they hated Him. But this evil man, Hitler, was a false god. The nation bowed to him, and in the end, he brought great trouble, suffering and defeat on his own people.

The Almighty God had called Moses, the Israelite leader, up Mount Sinai, to give His laws to His people. They had promised they would obey whatever God said.

But the children of Israel had grown tired of waiting. Life was hard in the desert, and they wanted some action. Nearly six weeks had passed, with no sign of Moses although they still could see God was with them. His cloudy pillar guarded the camp by day, and the fiery pillar by night. But they refused to wait any longer. They chose to make their own god.

DRAMA - [The Bible In Living Sound](#).

All the other nations had made idol gods for themselves. Images they could see and touch but these idols had no life. They could not see, or hear, or do anything for the people who worshipped them. But people believed these lifeless images had power to curse their lives, and they lived in fear of them. Very often, their priests demanded costly gifts to make the god happy, so that it would give them good crops; or to soften the god's supposed anger against the worshippers. Priests of the evil god, Molech, even demanded the sacrifice of children.

The children of Israel wanted a god they too, could see and touch, just like the other nations.

God had chosen Aaron to help his brother Moses, each time Moses went to the Egyptian Pharaoh. Aaron knew everything God had done to make Pharaoh let the Israelite slaves go.

He knew God had given them food and water in the desert. He should have remembered the Almighty, Faithful God was still in charge, but Aaron was afraid, and his faith in God was very weak. He did not try to pray or ask for God's help. He just gave in to the angry, unbelieving men, and he even helped them make this false idol god.

What a terrible insult to the Almighty Creator! How could the Israelites choose an idol god, when they had seen the one True God do so many wonderful things for them? Why did they refuse to admit that He was, clearly, still with them?

It still grieves the Holy Creator God to see people bowing down to lifeless idols. The Bible book Romans, chapter 1, says this, "Ever since God created the world, His invisible qualities, both His eternal power and His divine nature have been clearly seen. They can be sensed through the things God has made....but.....instead of worshipping the immortal God, these people worship images made to look like human beings, birds, or animals, or reptiles. They exchange the truth of God for a lie; they worship and serve what God has created, instead of the Creator Himself."

But man-made statues are not the only sort of idols we may worship.

It is very easy to make gods out of other things - sport, money, power, even our own bodies, and our own pleasure can be the centre of our lives.

They can take first place, above everything else.

Suppose you were an inventor, and carefully designed and made something for a special purpose. You would expect your invention to do exactly what you wanted.

When God created our first parents, He made them in His own image for a special purpose.

He made us with spirits, like Himself, so that we could live in communion with Him. He wanted us to be His friends. He wanted us to love Him, and to live His way. But he was not like an inventor who makes a machine. He did not want robots. He gave us free wills, so we could willingly choose to love Him and to have fellowship with Him. But just like Adam and Eve, we have all failed to do what God wanted. We have all chosen our own way. We have not loved and honoured our great Creator.

But, just as God forgave Aaron, He will also forgive us when we are truly sorry. He is the holy and just God, but He is also the God of mercy and love. He forgives us when we turn away from the idols in our lives. He gives us new, eternal life, when we come to Him through His One and only Son, the Lord Jesus Christ.

That was Suzie Stevens singing "Great Is Your Love."

The drama is from The Bible In Living Sound.

< END OF SCRIPT >
