

UNCONVENTIONAL

CHRISTMAS



Isaiah 55:9-10

God DOESN'T ALWAYS  
work like we expect

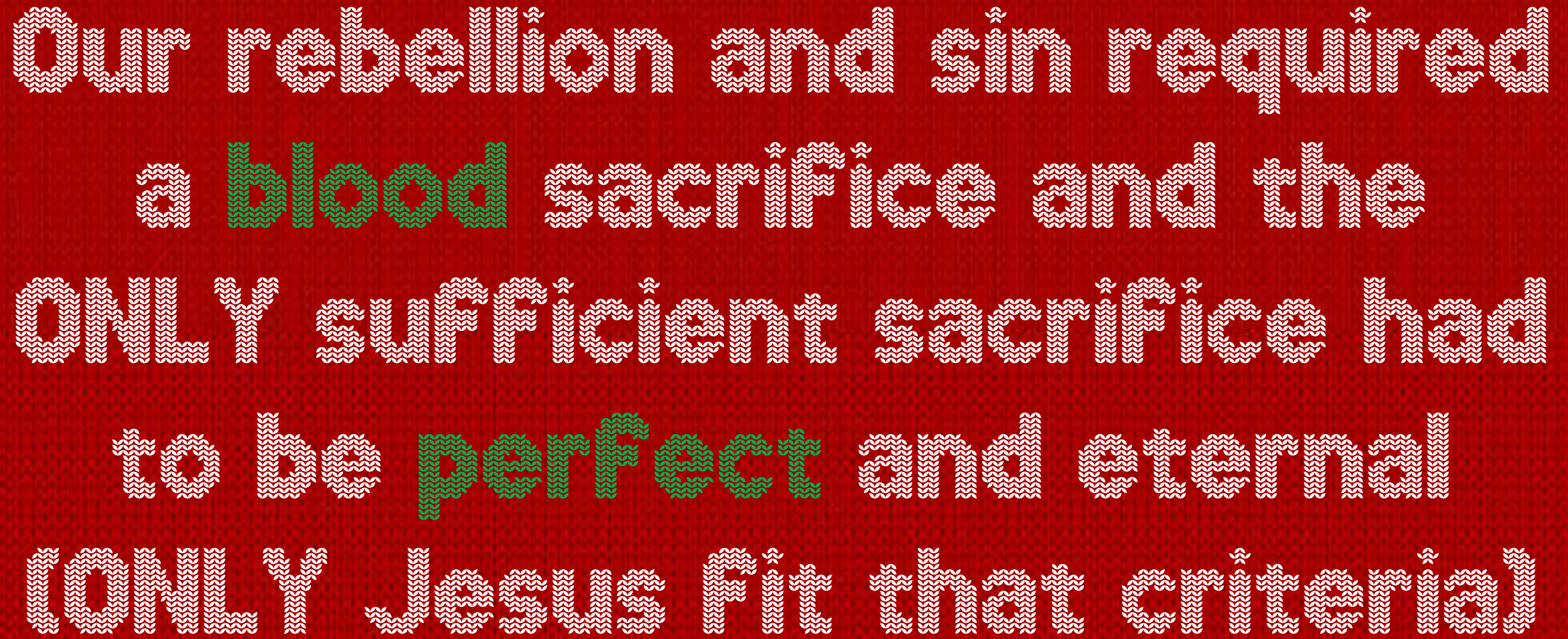
Jesus is the long-awaited King,

however, before He donned


the crown He deserves, He

humbled Himself to die

Matthew 26:39



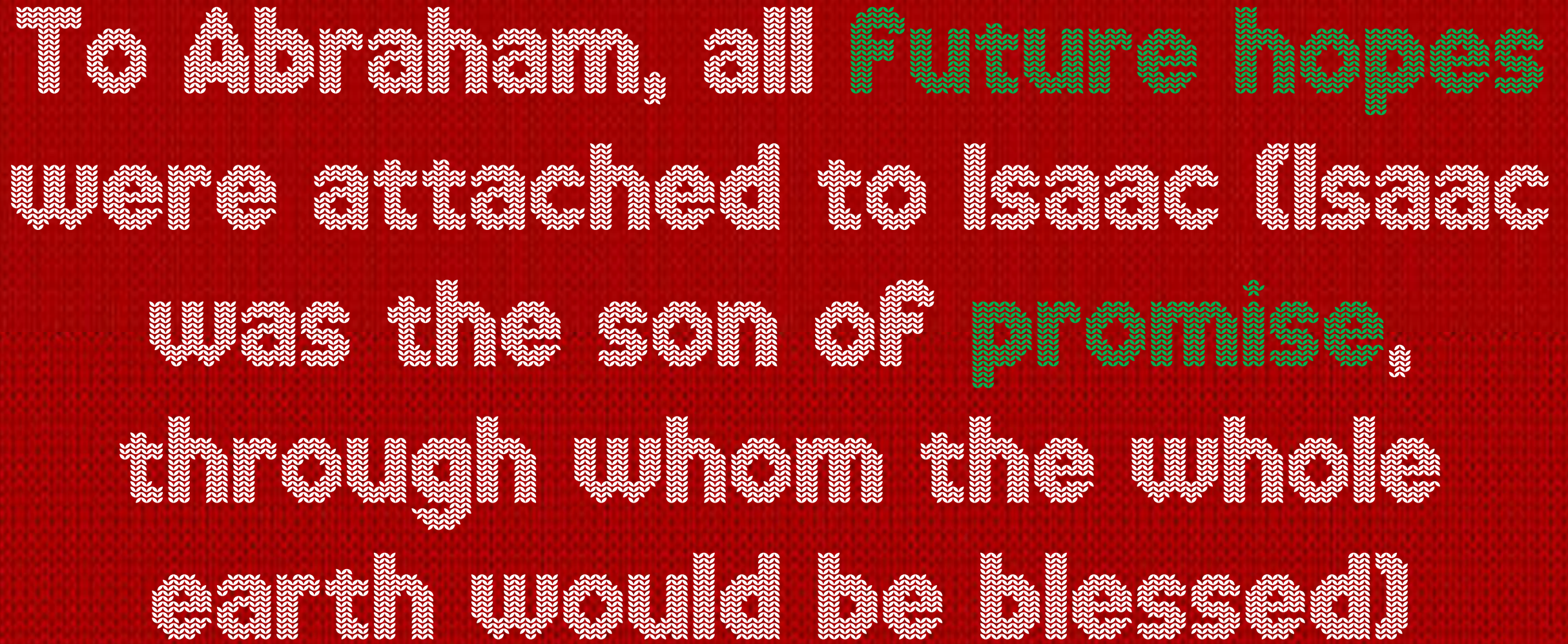
Our rebellion and sin required  
a **blood** sacrifice and the  
**ONLY** sufficient sacrifice had  
to be **perfect** and eternal  
**ONLY** Jesus fit that criteria!



SACRIFICIAL

SON





To Abraham, all future hopes  
were attached to Isaac Isaac  
was the son of promise,  
through whom the whole  
earth would be blessed.



God goes directly

to the heart

What do you cherish MOST?

# Genesis 2:1-2

This is the first time the idea  
of love appears in Scripture

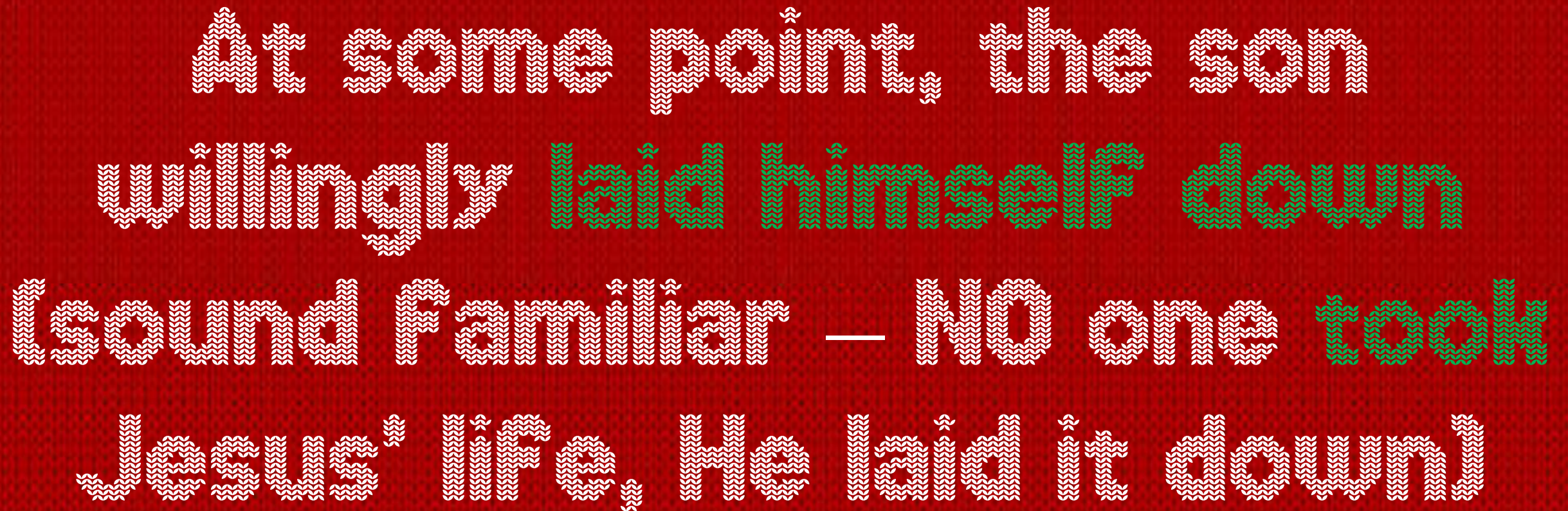


What God is saying goes  
deeper, go to Mt Moriah  
(a 3 days journey)  
and offer your son to Me  
as an act of worship

Genesis 22:3

Genesis 22:4-5

Commentaries vary on how  
old Isaac was at this time  
[consensus is between  
13 and 20 years old]



At some point, the son  
willingly laid himself down  
sound familiar — No one took  
Jesus' life, He laid it down

Do we view our times of  
surrender, those tough moments  
of sacrificing our will in  
obedience, as an act of worship?

Genesis 22:6-8

Isaac is only recorded asking  
one question – “Where is the  
lamb for the sacrifice?”

Abraham's answer —

“God will provide”

In the Hebrew — “God will  
see to it that it will happen”

Hebrews 11:17-19

Abraham's claim of Faith  
was proved through his  
obedience

Genesis 22:9-14



God provided a ram to be  
offered up instead of Isaac

1 - Jesus lived the life  
of us could

2 - Jesus died a death that  
was meant for you and I  
God exchanged Jesus, His  
ONLY Son, for us



Reminder of some parallels  
between Isaac and Jesus:



1. BOTH ... were sons of promise

2. BOTH ... were miraculously born

3. BOTH ... were deeply loved by  
their fathers

4. BOTH ... rode in on donkeys

5. BOTH ... had 2 guys with them

6. BOTH ... carried wood up a hill

For their own sacrifice

7. BOTH ... asked their Fathers

questions

8. BOTH ... were dead for 3 days