

# ***The Greatest Story Ever Told***

***As told by Luke***

Story – the telling of the reality of our existence.

The Bible TELLS the story – the story of God and Man

→ **Stories – beginnings, problem, solution, Resolution**

## ***Story Lines***

- Beginning
- Problem
- Solution
- Resolution

## THE Story Line

- Beginning – Creation
- Problem – Sin
- Solution – Jesus
- Resolution - Heaven

### **QUICK OVERVIEW**

Beginning – Creation

Problem – Sin

Solution – Jesus

Resolution - Heaven

→ **Detailed summary - Beginning**

# THE Story Line

- **Beginning – Creation**
  - Gen. 1:1
  - Rev. 4:11

Beginning – Creation

All things created BY Him and For Him Rev. 4:11

**11      “Worthy are You, our Lord and our God, to receive glory and honor and power; for You created all things, and because of Your will they existed, and were created.”**

→ Problem sin

## THE Story Line

- Beginning – Creation
- ***Problem – Sin***
  - Romans 5:12
  - Old Testament Story

### **Problem – Sin**

Rom. 5:12 Therefore, just as through one man sin entered into the world, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men, because all sinned—  
The whole of the OT Story – ended 400 years before Jesus. God stopped communicating.

### **→ Solution**

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- ***Solution = N.T.***

***God Steps Into History***

**Solution – NT Story – (of Jesus)**

God steps into History!

→ **The gospel of Luke !**

## THE Story Line

# The gospel of Luke

***God Steps Into History***

### **The gospel of Luke !**

The EVENTS that show God's stepping into History!

God steps into History! BUT WHAT DOES HE DO ?

HOW Does GOD Solve our problem?

→ **The story of Jesus – what was surely believed**

Resolution - Heaven

## THE Story Line

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- ***Solution = Jesus***

Solution – NT Story – (of Jesus)  
JESUS – notice Luke's record:

→ **Jesus = Jehovah Saves**



# Luke's Telling

- **John's birth**
  - Two OLD people – 5-7
  - Angel Gabriel – 11f
  - Mute / Deaf – 20f
  - Birth of OLD AGE – 57f
  - Speaks Again - 64

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→ **Virgin Birth**

## Luke's Telling

- John's birth
- ***Virgin Mary***
  - ***Gabriel, 30-33***
  - ***Virgin birth, 34-35***

**Virgin Mary – Luke 1:30-35**

Angel (Gabriel) to Mary,  
virgin,

→ Prophecy

# Luke's Telling

- John's birth
- Virgin Mary
- **Prophecy**
  - *Mary (46-56),*
  - *Zacharias (67-80)*

*Prophecy – The 'silent' years – 400 years without prophets  
God Again speaks to people THRU chosen ones (prophets)  
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→ *Born in Bethlehem*

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- ***Bethlehem birth – 2:1-7***

## **Bethlehem Birth**

Born in Bethlehem – but how they GOT THERE – 2:1-7

(providence, God RULING in the kingdoms, changing hearts / plans but allows for their free-will, used of God to fulfill HIS plans).

→ Angel to Shepherds

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## **Angel to the Shepherds – 2:8-20**

Angel appears – announces – vs. 11

for today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.

They came, they saw, they went away - 20

“glorifying and praising God for all that they had heard and see, just as had been told them! (2:20)...

→ **Prophets among people again – Simeon and Anna**

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- ***Simeon & Anna***

**Prophets – more prophets! Speaking as revealed by Holy Spirit**

Simeon – 2:25-34 particularly, 29-32

Luke 2:29-32

Anna – 2:36- a prophetess (36), the redemption of Jerusalem (38)

→ Back to our Story line -

# Jesus

## • *Jesus (Jehovah saves) – 1:31*

**Jesus = Jehovah Saves - Luke 1:30-31**

The angel said to her, “Do not be afraid, Mary; for you have found favor with God.

**31 “And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name Him Jesus.**

→ Son of God

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- ***Son of God – 1:32, 35***

**Son of God – Luke 1:32, 35**

**32 “He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High;**

The angel answered and said to her, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; **and for that reason the holy Child shall be called the Son of God.**

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## Throne of David – 32-33

32 “He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David;

33 and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and His kingdom will have no end.”

→ Salvation

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**Zachariah's prophecy / statement**

69 And has raised up a horn of salvation for us

In the house of David His servant—

70 As He spoke by the mouth of His holy prophets from of old—

71 Salvation from our enemies,

And from the hand of all who hate us;

**→ Oath to Abraham – 72-73**

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## Oath to Abraham – 72-73

72 To show mercy toward our fathers,  
And to remember His holy covenant,  
73 The oath which He swore to Abraham our father,

→ Chapter 2 – Savior, Christ, the LORD – 2:11

# Jesus

- ***Savior, Christ, the LORD – 2:11***

A Savior, who is Christ the LORD – 2:11

**Angel to Shepherds:**

10 But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which will be for all the people;

11 for today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.

**Simeon – vs. 26**

... 26 And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord’s Christ.

**→ Light To Gentiles**

→ The Lord’s Christ

The Lord’s Christ – 26

To see Jesus = to see the Lord’s salvation – 30

A light to the Gentiles! 32

The Glory of Israel 32

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→ Luke Finishes this Story in Acts – the sermon of Peter!

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**The STORY of SALVATION – forgiveness thru the crucified/risen Jesus –**

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→ Resolution – Heaven for those who are saved by Jesus who Died / Rose again / coming again.

**Resolution:**  
Heaven for those  
who are saved.  
**Does That  
Include YOU?**

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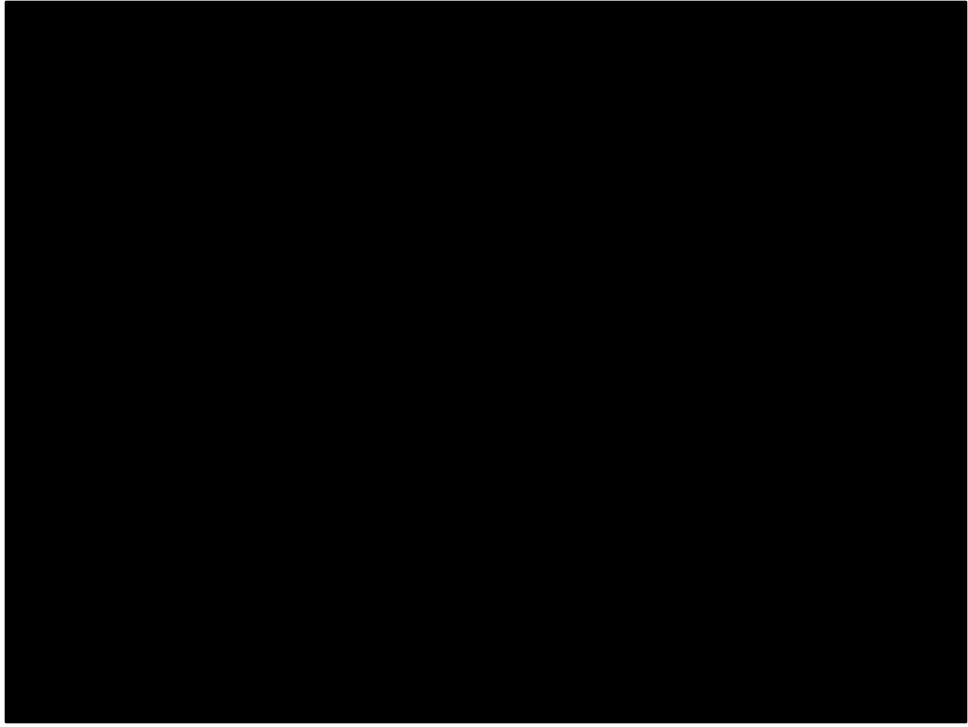


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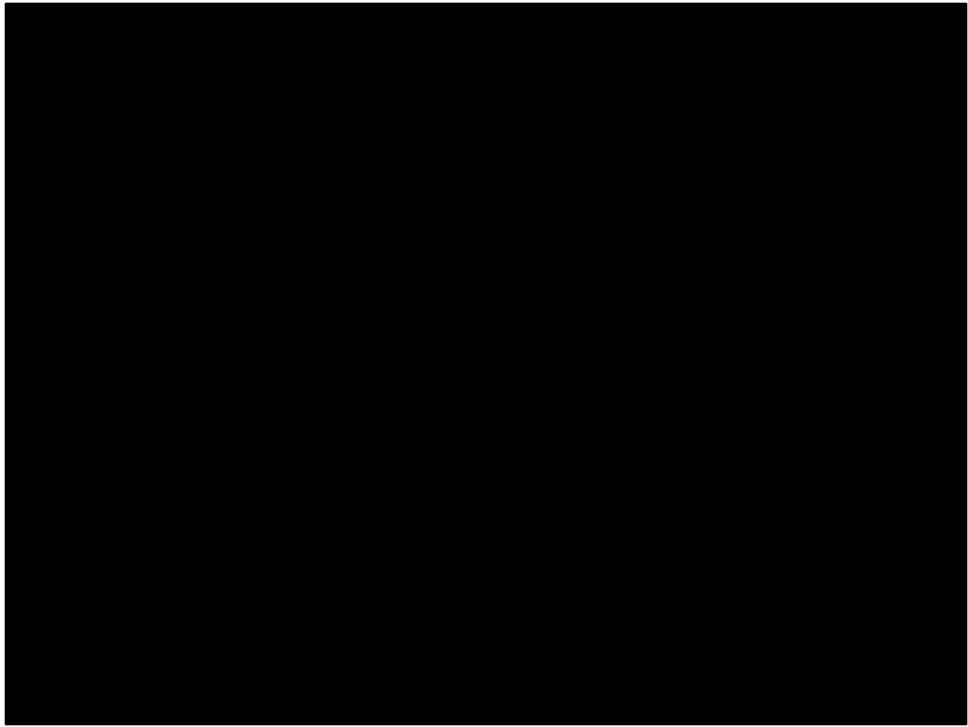
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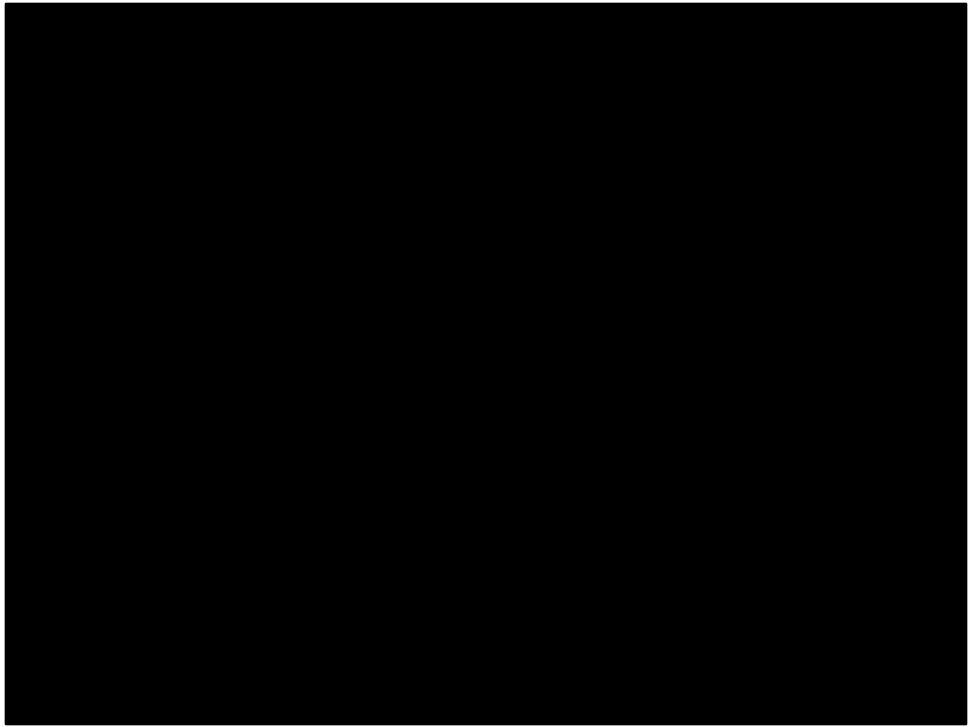
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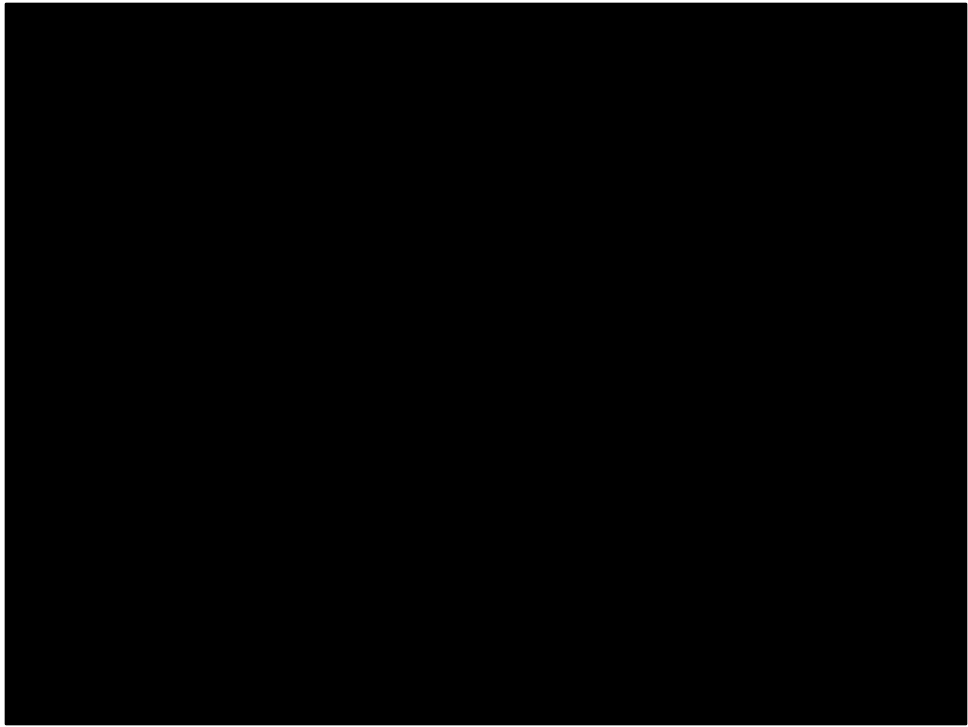
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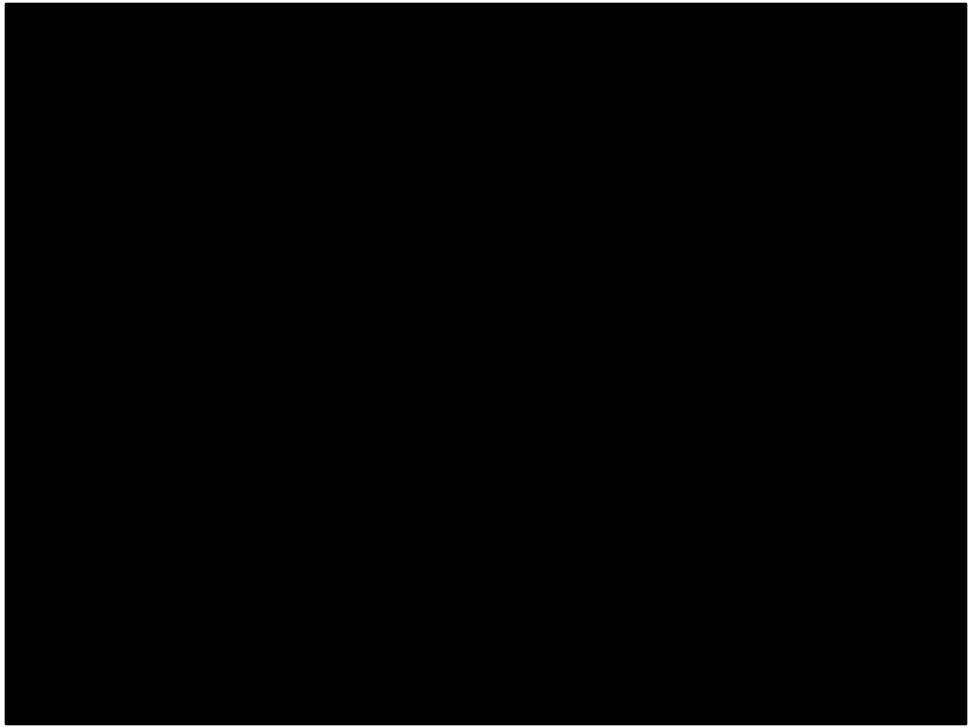




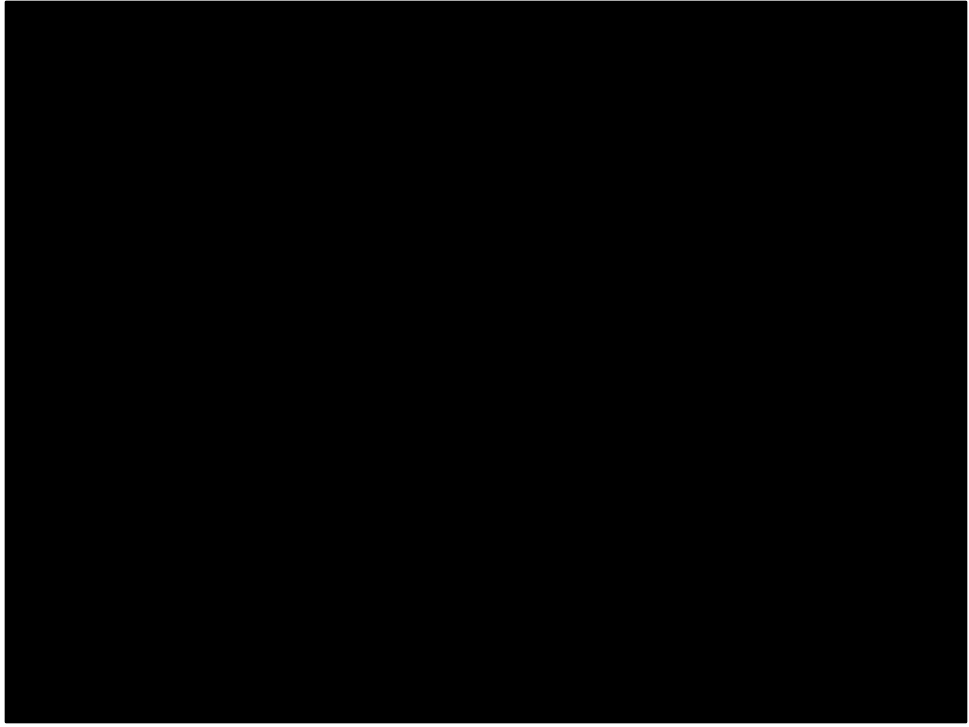




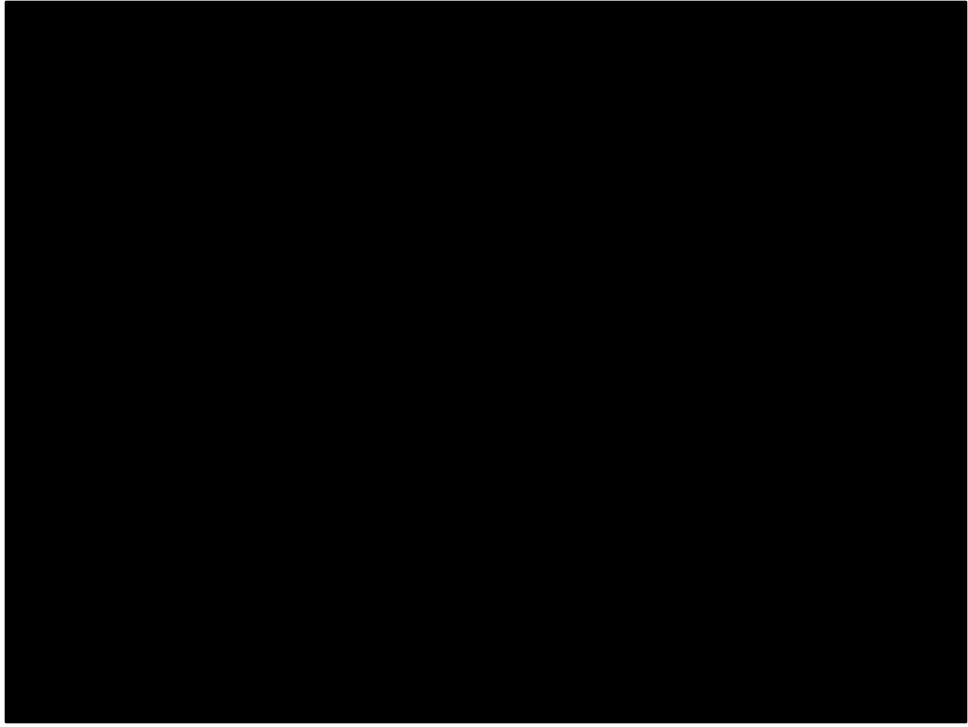


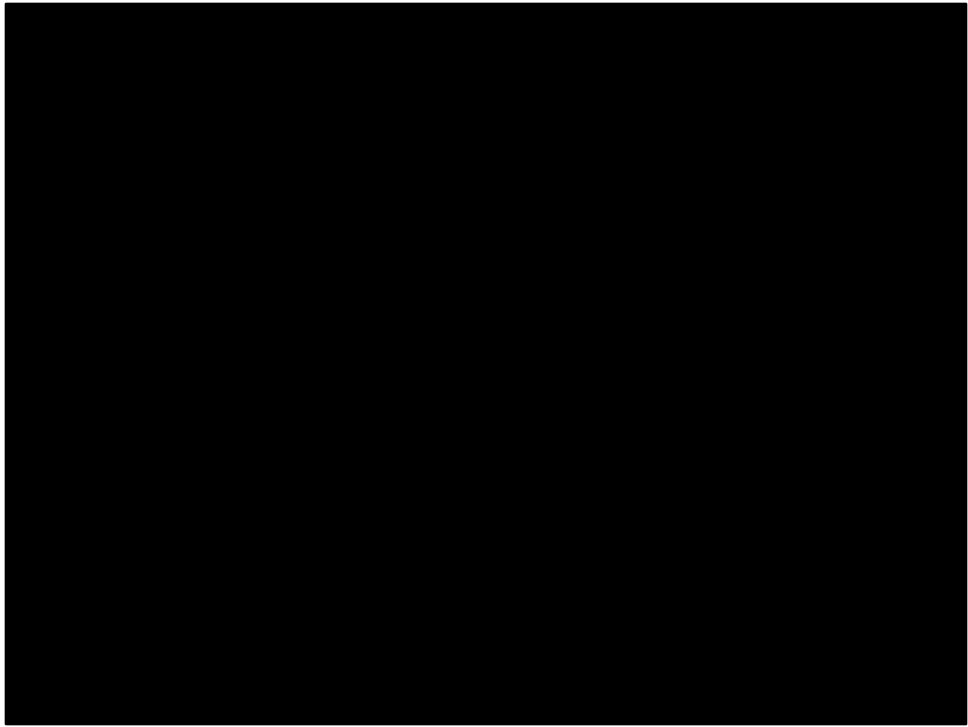


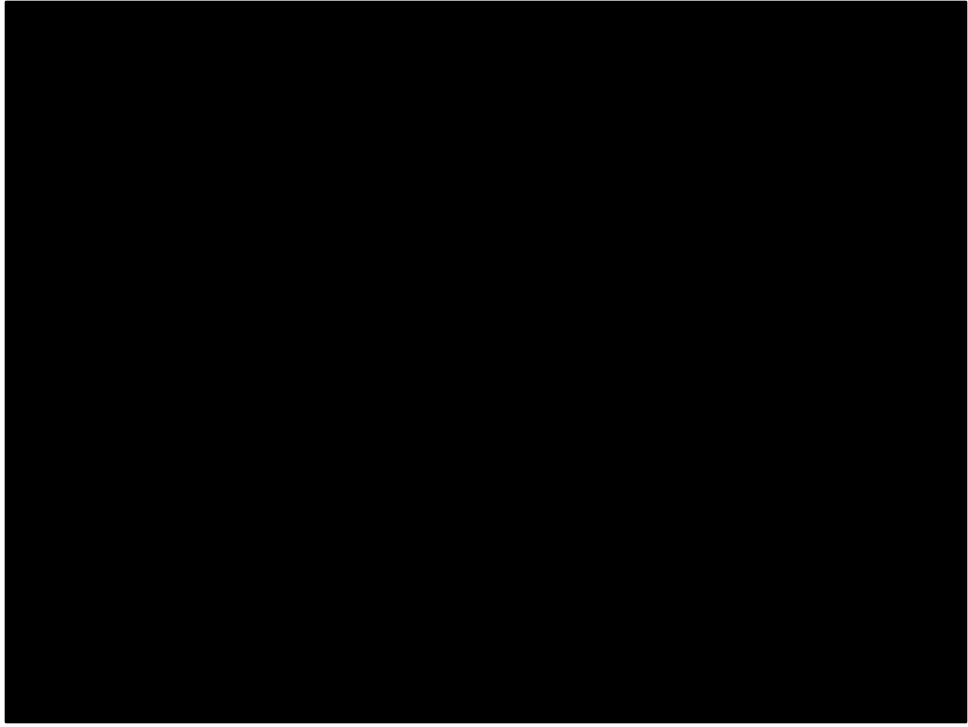












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