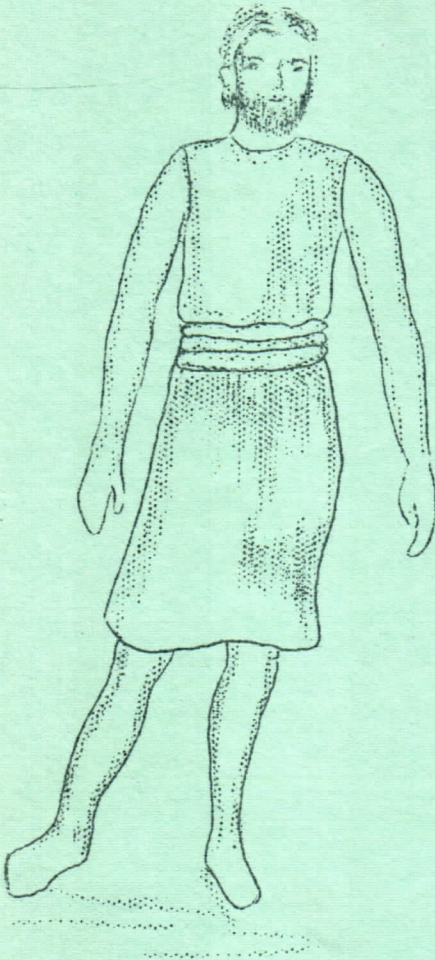
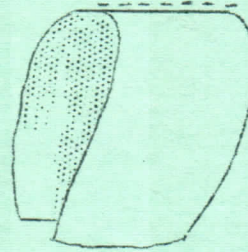


Long ago God's people in the Bible wore a kind of shirt next to the skin. It was made of goat's hair or camel's hair or cotton. Usually this shirt did not have sleeves. It reached about to the knees. This was called an inner tunic.

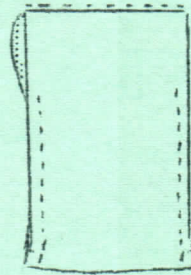
To make this inner tunic, you fold over a long piece of cloth.



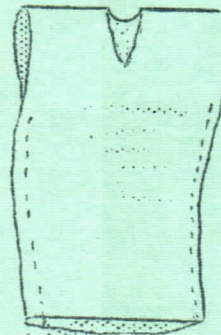
Fold



Then you sewed up the sides to the armhole.



The very last thing you do is to cut a hole for your head.

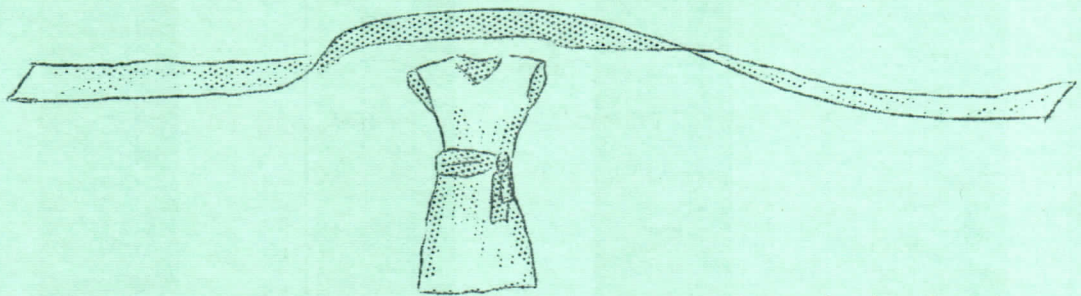


Now you have a shirt!

TURN CARD OVER

Even today men buy shirts like this in Israel. They cut the hole for their neck and head after they buy the shirt.

This shirt should just fit your body. It should not be too loose. A sash was tied around the waist. This sash held the tunic shirt close to the body.



When a man was going to be active, he gathered the bottom of his tunic and tucked it in his girdle-sash. Then the man could run or move quickly.

Later, people did not always wear this shirt. When a man had only this shirt on, the Bible calls him naked. One day Peter was fishing in his boat dressed only in an inner tunic. A man stood on the shore and called to the men in the boat -

Have you caught any fish, Jesus called.

When they said they had no fish, Jesus told them to throw in their nets on the right side of the boat.

When the fishermen did this, they could not pull in their net. It was full of fish.

Then Peter knew that the man on the shore was Jesus. He quickly put on his coat. Then he jumped into the water and swam to shore. (See John 21:4-7)