

HomeWord
For Parents

The sinless Son of Man had come to seek and to save the lost (Luke 19:10). He would be led like a lamb to the slaughter (Isaiah 53:7). He would not open His mouth but willingly accept and finish the plan the Father had in place since the beginning of time. After the illegal and unjust arrest and conviction of Jesus, He was sentenced to death—crucifixion on the Cross (John 19:16).

Pilate had Jesus scourged, and He was mockingly crowned with a painful crown of thorns that was pressed into His head (John 19:1–2). Weakened, Jesus was led out to carry His Cross. He was headed to Golgotha where the crucifixion would occur (John 19:17). Because Jesus was weak, the authorities compelled Simon of Cyrene to assist Jesus with the Cross (Mark 15:21). Jesus refused the wine with myrrh they offered Him to lessen the pain (Mark 15:23). Jesus was nailed to the Cross through His hands and feet. As He hung in agony, soldiers cast lots for His clothes (John 19:23–24) and people shouted insults at Him (Mark 15:29–30). In the midst of all of this, Jesus looked at His mother from the Cross, spoke to her, and left her in the care of His apostle, John. (John 19:25–27). After this, knowing that all things were now accomplished, Jesus said, “I thirst!” This was the final Scripture to be fulfilled (John 19:28).

As He suffered, He cried out to His Father, “My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?” (Mark 15:34). Jesus felt the weight and extent of God’s wrath on Him for sins He did not, nor ever could, commit! And finally, as He gave up His spirit, Jesus said, “It is finished” (John 19:30).

In God’s gracious and merciful plan, He made His only Son, Jesus, who knew no sin, to be sin for us. Jesus took the sin, the wrath, and the punishment. In exchange believers get the precious righteousness of God that is the very nature of Jesus Christ and the promise of eternal life with the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (2 Corinthians 5:21).

Go to the Online Resource Page for more information.

OutWord For Family Discussion

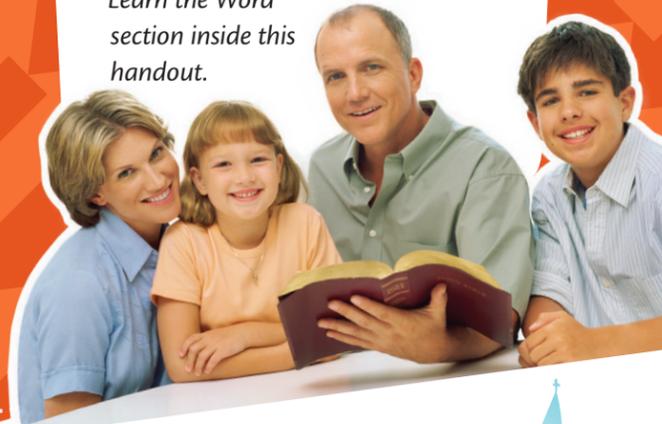
Suppose you heard someone say he thinks he can get to heaven because of all the good things he does. **What could you say?**

That is a very common belief. But honestly, we couldn't do enough good deeds to ever get to heaven. Because God is holy and perfect, He hates all sin. And the Bible says that all of us are sinners and deserve God's wrath. So, no matter how good we think we are, we are still sinners in need of forgiveness. Jesus Christ is the only one who lived a perfect life. And do you know what He did? He died on the Cross for sinners. He took sin upon Himself and paid the penalty. We can only get to heaven by believing in Jesus Christ—in His life, death, and Resurrection. That's the plan of redemption, and it is God's perfect plan for all who will repent of their sins and turn to Jesus for forgiveness.

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For Family Study

“The law of Your mouth is better to me than thousands of coins of gold and silver” (Psalm 119:72). Equip your children to desire God’s Word above all else by encouraging your family to memorize and study it. The eternal rewards are priceless.

Begin with the memory verse in the Learn the Word section inside this handout.



The Crucifixion

KEY THEME

- God’s plan of redemption was in place before time.

KEY PASSAGES

- Matthew 27:29–35, 27:45–46
- John 19:30
- Romans 5:6–9

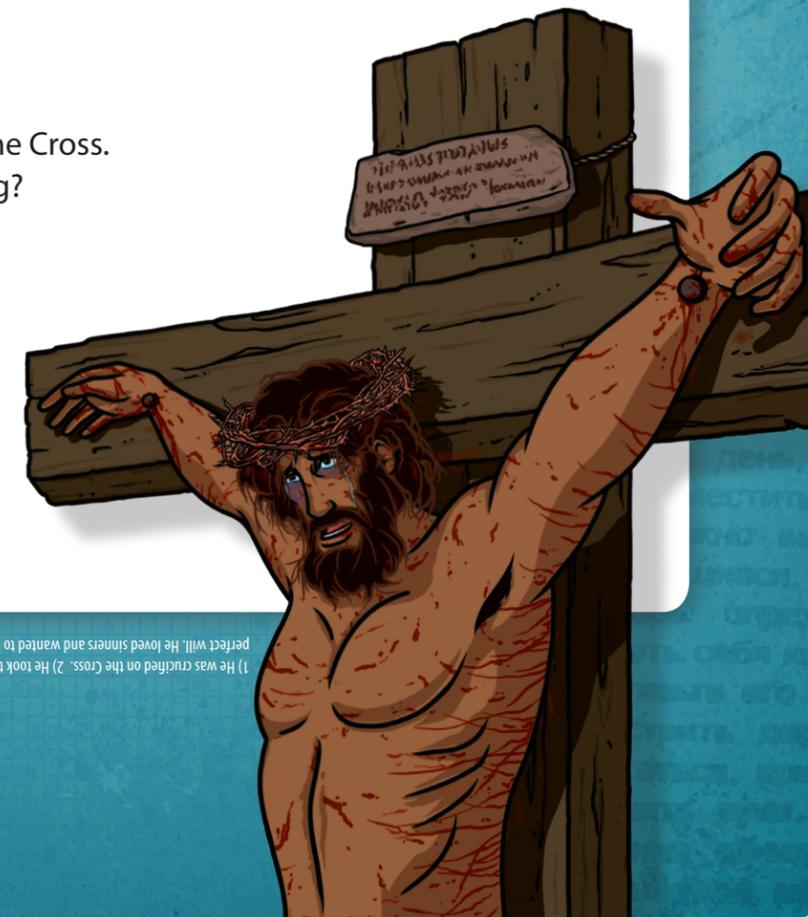


What You **HEARD** in the **WORD**

- Jesus died on the Cross and finished the work God had sent Him to do.
- Jesus took the wrath of God on Himself and provided forgiveness for sin.

Answer these questions from today’s lesson.

- 1 How did Jesus die?
- 2 Jesus bore the wrath of God on the Cross. Whose punishment was He taking?
- 3 Why was Jesus willing to take the sins of others upon Himself?



1) He was crucified on the Cross. 2) He took the punishment for sinners. 3) It was God's perfect will. He loved sinners and wanted to provide the way to eternal life.

Read the Word

Monday {Matthew 27:23}

What did the people cry out to Pilate about Jesus?

Tuesday {Matthew 27:29}

What did the soldiers make and put on Jesus's head? What did they say?

Wednesday {John 19:19}

What did the sign say that was put up over Jesus's head?

Thursday {Mark 15:39}

What did the centurion (the soldier) say after Jesus died?

Friday {Mark 15:34}

What did Jesus cry out from the Cross?

Saturday {Matthew 28:19}

The Crucifixion is part of the gospel. Where are Christians to preach the gospel? (Your memory verse)

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Learn the Word

Write the letter that comes before each letter in the box below it.

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Matthew 28:19

ANSWERS: make, all, baptizing, name, Spirit

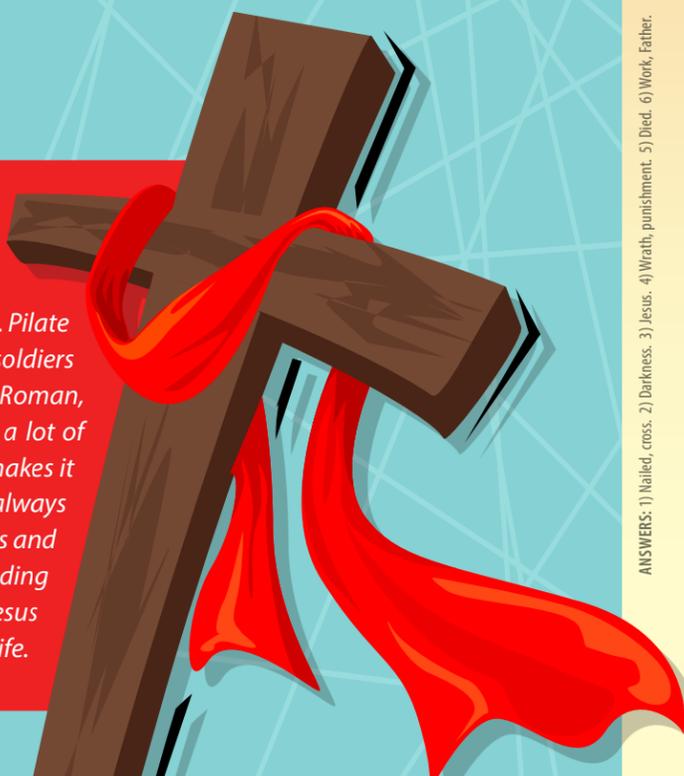
ANSWER: God showed His love in that while we were still sinners, Jesus died for us.

ANSWERS: 1) Nailed, cross. 2) Darkness. 3) Jesus. 4) Wrath, punishment. 5) Died. 6) Work, Father.

LIVE the Word

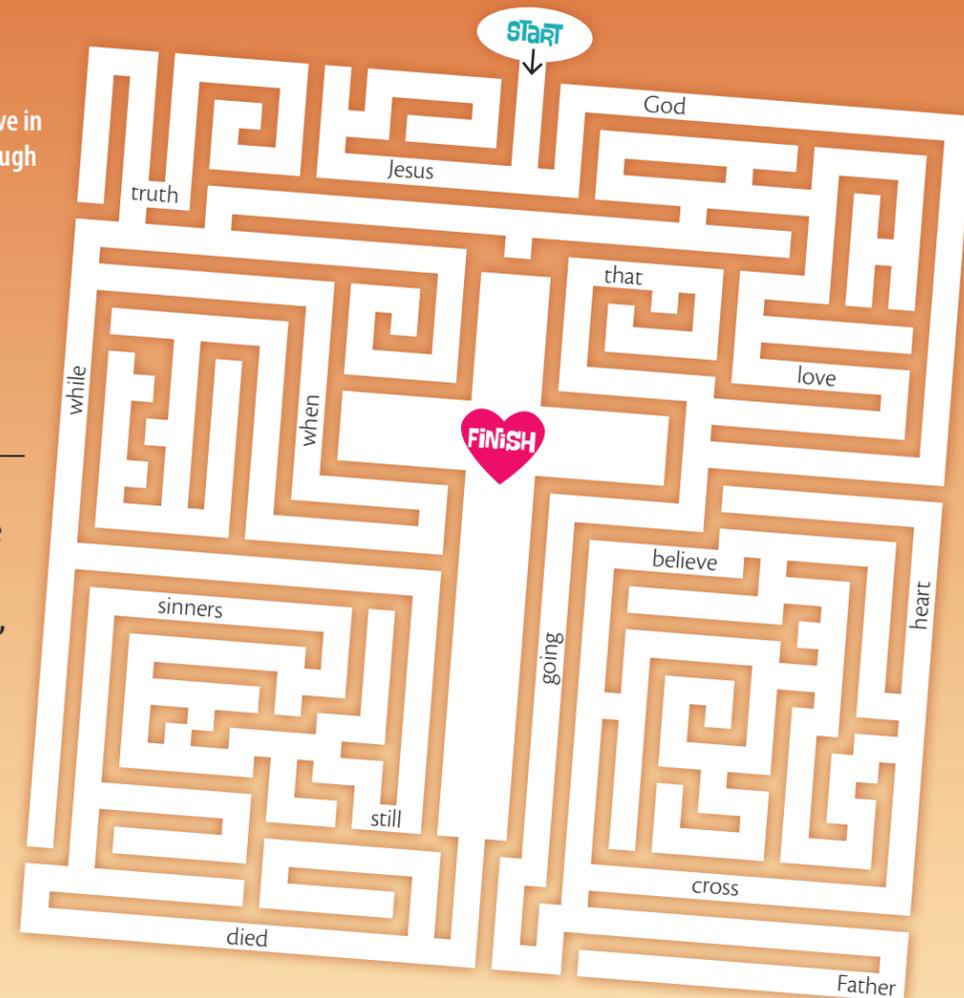
Suppose you hear someone say the Jews were responsible for killing Jesus. **What could you say?**

The Jews had Jesus arrested and cried out for Pilate to crucify Him. Pilate listened to them and gave permission for Jesus to be killed. The soldiers beat and mocked Jesus. And many people, both Jewish and Roman, joined in to make the evil event a terrible spectacle. There were a lot of people involved and responsible for Jesus's death. But the Bible makes it clear that in God's sovereignty and goodness, Jesus's death was always part of His plan. This was the only way God could offer forgiveness and eternal life to sinners. And God showed His love for sinners by sending His Son to die that whoever would repent of his sins and turn to Jesus Christ as Savior could be forgiven in God's eyes and have eternal life.



A-MAZING LOVE

How does Jesus's Crucifixion show God's love in a big way? To find out, work your way through the maze. Then gather the words from the right path only to complete the sentence.



_____ showed His _____
 in that _____ we were

 Jesus _____ for us.

Romans 5:8

WHAT HAPPENED TO JESUS?

How well do you remember what happened to Jesus in the events leading up to His death? Use the key provided to decode the missing words. For each letter given, find it in the crossbars and replace it with the letter opposite, so A becomes D, E becomes G, F becomes H, and so on.



- Jesus was _____ P D L I G A _____ to the _____ B S M R R _____ and left to die.
- _____ A D S J P G R R _____ came over the land for three hours while Jesus hung on the Cross.
- _____ K G R W R _____ cried out, "My God, My God, why have you forsaken me?"
- God poured out His _____ U S D Q F _____ on Jesus, who took the _____ N W P L R F O G P Q _____ for sins and made a way for sinners to be forgiven.
- Just before He gave up His spirit and _____ A L G A _____, Jesus cried out, "It is finished!"
- Jesus had finished the _____ U M S J _____ of redemption the _____ H D Q G D S _____ had sent Him to do.

