

THE GREAT GIVE AND TAKE

Jesus died on the cross and rose from the grave to give us forgiveness, hope, and love. He took the punishment for our sin and overcame sin for us. His death takes away our guilty feelings, hopelessness, and loneliness. **Put yourself in all of the pictures below and discuss the questions.**

KEY VERSE

"God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God." 2 Corinthians 5:21

What sin or temptation shown here will God take away?

All my friends use bad language. I know it's wrong to talk nasty but it's become a habit.



Write in here what help God gives you.

My best friend wants me to lie to my mother about where we're going after school.



Grandmama forgot her money on the counter. I could take it and she would never miss it.





ONE LIFE FOR MANY

Most of the religious leaders didn't believe Jesus was God's Son. So they arrested Jesus and brought Him before their high court. He was found guilty of blasphemy (making Himself equal with God.) The court didn't have the power to kill Jesus, so they took Him to Pilate, the Roman governor. Pilate tried to free Jesus, but the crowd demanded Jesus be killed. Pilate gave the order, and they led Jesus outside the city and nailed Him to a cross.



Matthew 27:46-48, 50-53

About three in the afternoon Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "Eli, Eli,

lema sabachthani?"¹ (which means "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?").

When some of those standing there heard this, they said, "He's calling Elijah."

¹Pronounced
AY-lee AY-lee
luh-MAH
sah-BAHK-tah-nee

Immediately one of them ran and got a sponge. He filled it with wine vinegar, put it on a staff, and offered it to Jesus to drink.

And when Jesus had cried out again in a loud voice, he gave up his spirit.

Why do you think Jesus would say what He did? What did it mean that Jesus gave up His spirit?

At that moment the curtain of the temple² was torn in two from top to bottom. The earth shook, the rocks split and the tombs broke open. The bodies of many holy people who had died were raised to life. They came out of the tombs after Jesus' resurrection and went into the holy city and appeared to many people.

²The curtain separated the holy place of the temple from the most holy room. The holy of holies was entered only once a year by the high priest.





What were some of the things that happened after Jesus died? Why do you think this was important?

Jesus was buried in a sealed tomb. Three days later, Jesus' followers found an empty tomb because Jesus

arose from the dead. He appeared to many people. Later one of Jesus' disciples wrote about why Jesus traded His life for our sins.

Read 2 Corinthians 5:15-21. Why did Jesus have to die? What does His victory over death mean for us?



FLY!

When was the last time you did something wrong? Last week? Yesterday? Today? Think about something you have done wrong over the last few weeks. What do you think should happen because of it? Write down what happened and what punishment you think you deserve on a piece of paper. Using the paper you wrote your sins on, follow the directions on this page to create a paper airplane.

1. Fold your paper in half.
2. Turn one edge down toward the fold. Repeat with the other edge to make a point.
3. Turn the new fold down to the original fold. Repeat on the other side.
4. Fold the remaining flap to meet with the original fold. Again, repeat with the other side.
5. Raise the flaps back up.

