

# BELIEVE THAT JESUS CHRIST IS MY LORD



*PREACHING & HEALING*



*CONCEPTION & BIRTH*



*BAPTISM & TEMPTATION*



*DEATH & RESURRECTION*



*ASCENSION & RETURN*

# *the* CONCEPTION & BIRTH OF JESUS

When you were born you were given something special by your parents. Usually no one else has the same one you do. They may have looked in a book for this, or perhaps heard of it from friends, or used one from a relative that was dear to them. Can you think what your parents gave you at birth? Yes, they gave you your name. They chose a special name to call you for the rest of your life. A long time ago a little baby was born who was given a name in a very different way from how you received your name. And His name had a special meaning, which would describe what He would be. Today we will find out how the baby Jesus received His name and what it meant.

A young woman named Mary was engaged to a man named Joseph. Before Mary and Joseph became husband and wife, Mary found out that she was going to be a mother. But Joseph was not the father of this Child. The Baby's father was not a man, but God Himself. The Holy Spirit had caused Mary to be expecting a child.



At first Joseph did not know that the Baby was God's Son. He wondered if he should still take Mary as his wife. Then one night God sent

an angel to tell Joseph in a dream that Mary's child was going to be the Son of God, the promised Child of the Old Testament. The angel told Joseph to still take Mary as his wife. He also told Joseph what the name of this special Baby was to be. The name "Jesus" was to be given to this Boy. That word means "Savior." Jesus would grow up to be the Savior of the world. He would take away

the sins of all the world so that we could be saved from death and hell.

So, when Joseph woke up, he was happy to take Mary as his wife. In a few months Mary gave birth to this little baby boy. And He was given the name "Jesus," just as the angel had told Joseph to do.

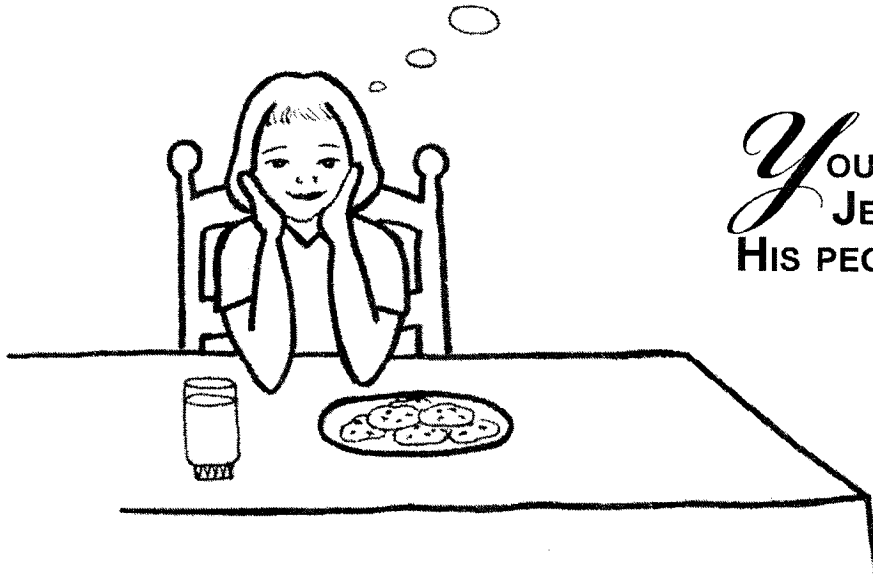
Babies are born sinful, because they have sinful parents. Jesus was born without sin. He was holy because He is God's Son. That is why He could take care of all our sins and be our Savior. Doesn't He have a wonderful name?



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**B**EHOLD, AN ANGEL OF THE LORD APPEARED TO HIM IN A DREAM, SAYING, "JOSEPH, SON OF DAVID, DO NOT BE AFRAID TO TAKE TO YOU MARY YOUR WIFE, FOR THAT WHICH IS CONCEIVED IN HER IS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT." — MATT. 1:20





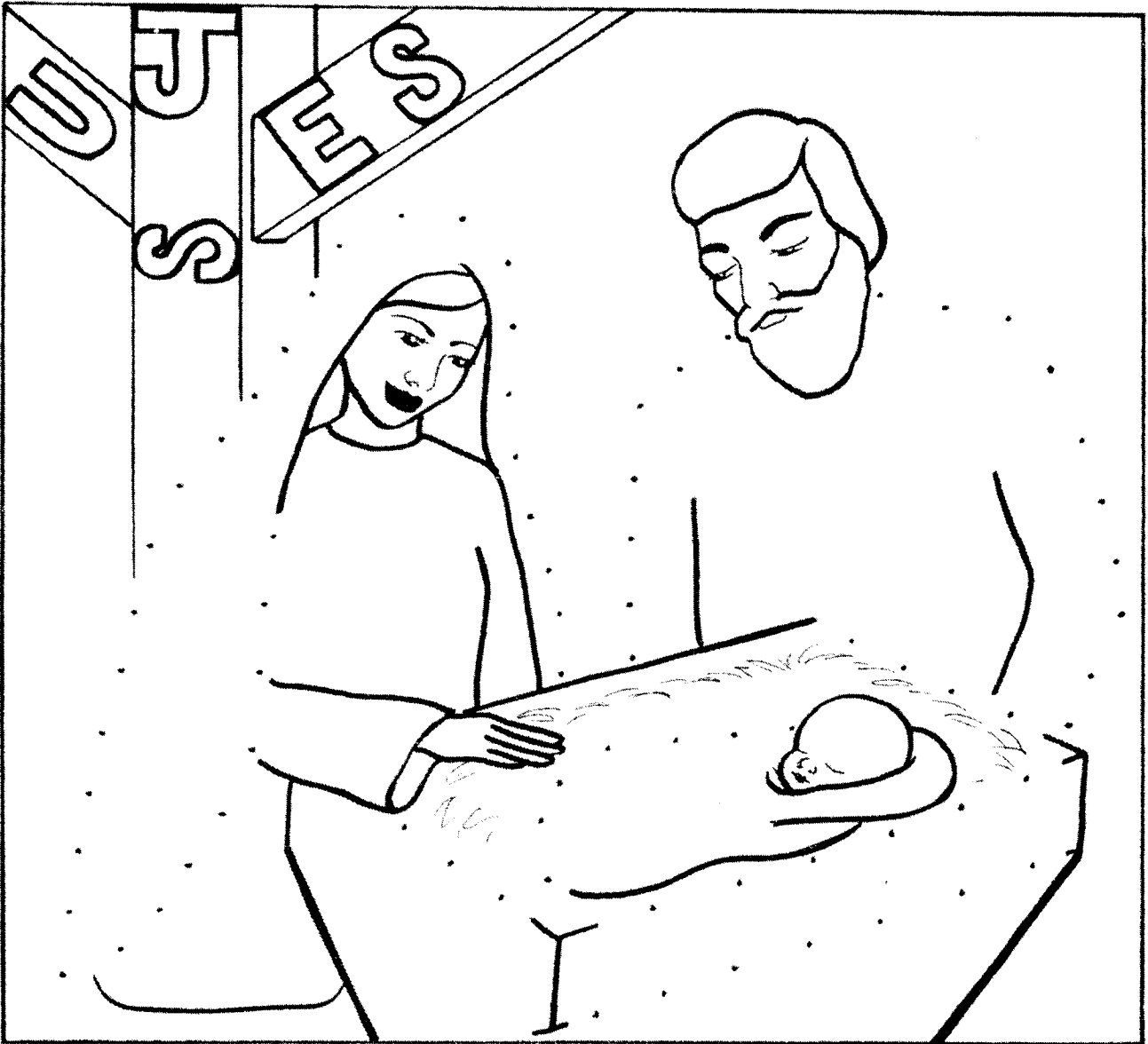
*Y*OU SHALL CALL HIS NAME  
JESUS, FOR HE WILL SAVE  
HIS PEOPLE FROM THEIR SINS.

— MATT. 1:21B

# The Conception and Birth of Jesus

Level 1 • Lesson One

1. Find and color the letters that spell “Jesus.”
2. Trace the dots to complete the picture.
3. Trace the dots to spell “Jesus.”



J E S U S

# *the* BAPTISM & TEMPTATION OF JESUS



Jesus was a real boy. He grew and learned things just as you grow and learn every year. But unlike you and I, He never did anything wrong. He obeyed the Commandments perfectly. He was without sin. In our lesson today, we learn in two different ways how Jesus truly was the promised Savior from sin.

When Jesus was 30 years old, he went to the Jordan River. At this river, Jesus saw a man named John. John was a teacher and a baptizer. To baptize means to wash away sin with water and God's Word. Jesus asked John to baptize Him. John was surprised that Jesus wanted to be baptized, because John knew Jesus had no sins to wash away. Jesus wanted to do everything that was needed to be our Savior. So Jesus

and John went into the Jordan River and John baptized Him.

When Jesus came out of the river, the heavens opened and Jesus saw the Holy Spirit come down as a dove and land on Him. He also heard the Father speak, "This is my beloved Son, Whom I love, with Him I am well pleased."

After Jesus was baptized, He went into the desert by Himself. He spent 40 days and 40 nights there without eating. The Devil came to Him and tempted Him to sin. The Devil wanted Jesus to do three wrong things.

First, the Devil, or Satan, wanted to get Jesus to use His power to turn the rocks into bread to eat. Remember, Jesus had not eaten for 40 days and nights. Imagine how hungry He was. Just think how easy it would have been for Him to turn rocks into soft, good-tasting bread. But instead, Jesus told Satan, "No." He used a Bible passage to tell Satan that it would be wrong to use His power to do that.



Secondly, the Devil wanted Jesus to jump down from a high point of the Temple in Jerusalem. Satan even used a Bible passage to try to convince Jesus it would be okay to jump and that God would protect Him by sending His angels to guard Him from harm. But Jesus knew

Satan was not using God's Word in the right way, and Jesus used God's Word again to say "no" to sin.

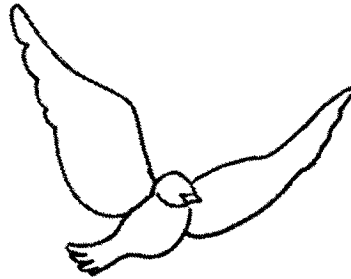
Finally, the Devil took Jesus up to a high mountain and showed Him all the riches of the world. Satan told Jesus that He could have it all, if only Jesus would bow down to Satan and worship him. This time Jesus told Satan to "Get away" from Him by telling Satan the passage where God says, "Worship the LORD your God and serve Him only." At Jesus' command the Devil had to leave. Then God sent holy angels to be with Jesus.

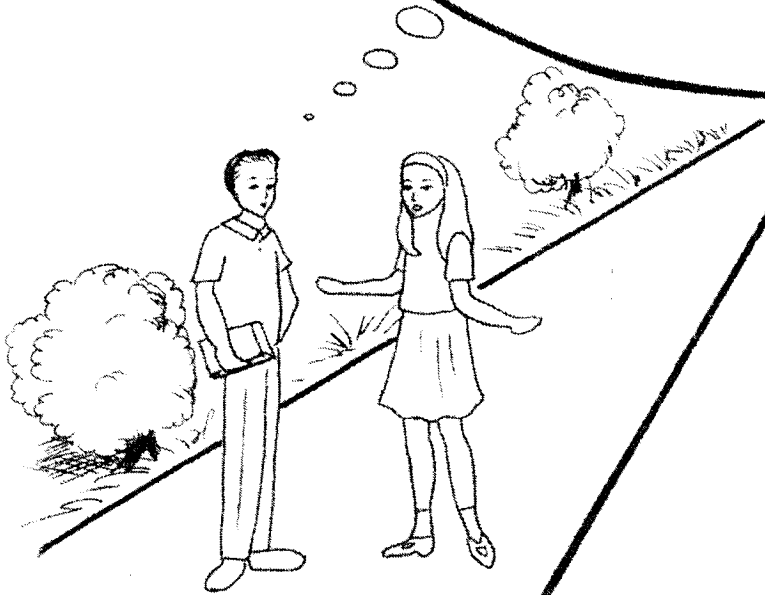
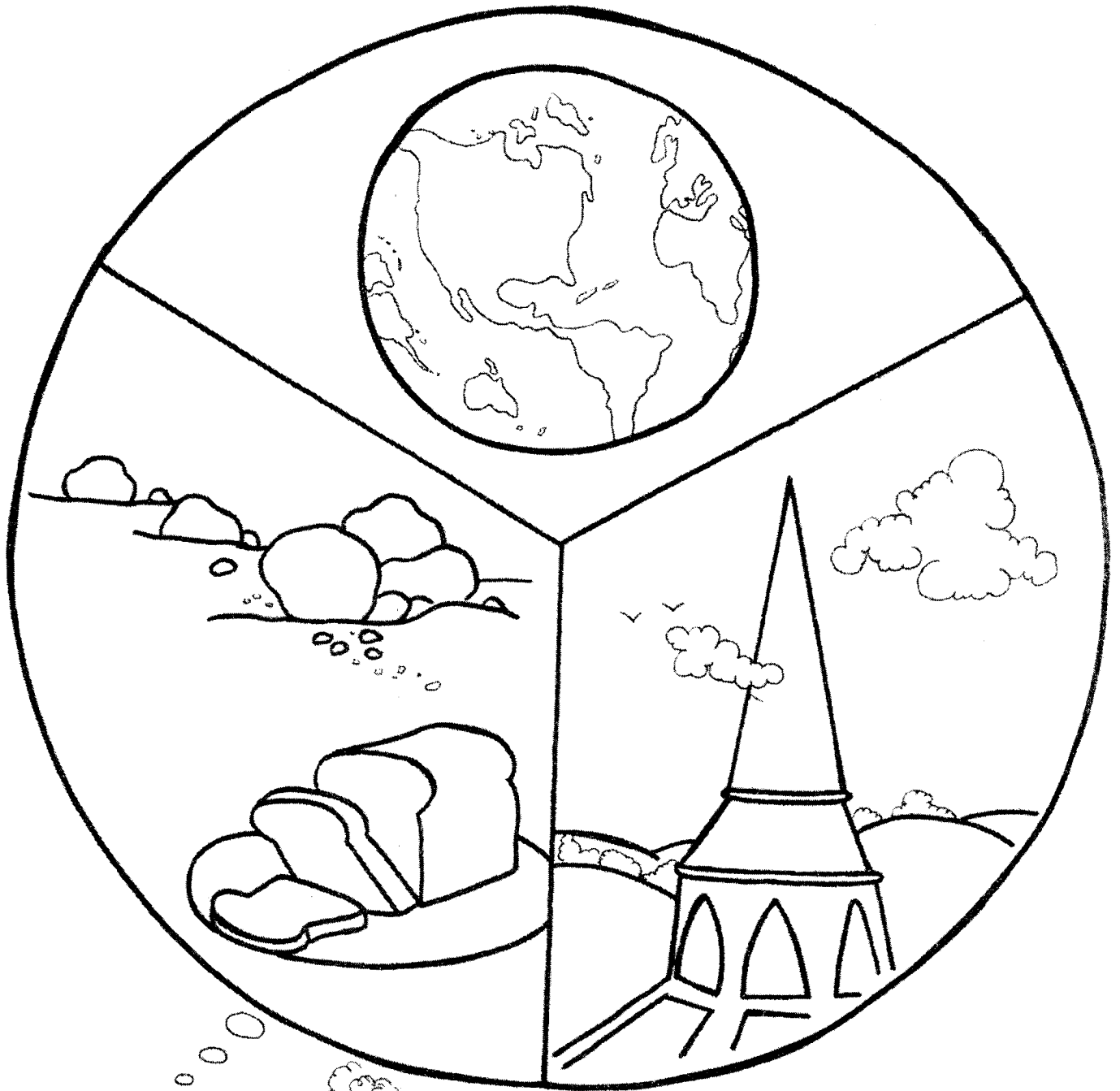
Jesus showed he was our Savior by doing everything right. He was baptized, just as we are baptized. He used God's Holy Word to say "No" to temptations, just as we should. Jesus never sinned. We sin every day. We need Jesus the Savior from sin.



***T*HIS IS MY BELOVED SON  
IN WHOM I AM WELL PLEASSED.**

— MATT. 3:17





*M*AN SHALL NOT LIVE  
BY BREAD ALONE, BUT BY EVERY  
WORD THAT PROCEEDS FROM THE  
MOUTH OF GOD.

— MATT. 4:4

# The Baptism and Temptation of Jesus

Level 1 • Lesson Two

Circle the pictures that are found in today's lesson.



# *the* PREACHING & HEALING OF JESUS

Jesus was born without sin. He lived without sin. He did all this in order to help sinful people. Today we shall see why we need Him and how Jesus can help us.

Jesus spent quite a bit of time in a city called Capernaum. For a while He was gone from that city, but soon He came back. When the people heard He had come to their city again, they came to hear Him preach. In fact, so many came to listen to his wonderful Words that there was not room in the house for one more person!

A man who could not walk and who was very sick wanted to be near Jesus and listen to Him. He

was carried on a mat to this overcrowded house by four men. When they came to the house, they could not get in by the door. Did they go away? Did they forget about Jesus? No, they carried the sick man up to



the top of the house and lifted off part of the roof. Then they lowered the sick man and his mat down in front of Jesus. They did not give up!

Jesus saw that the man could not walk. He saw how much pain he was suffering. He saw how much the man needed Him. But Jesus' first words were, "Son, cheer up, your sins are forgiven." The biggest problem the man had was his



sin. And Jesus saw that, too. So that is why Jesus told him that his sins were all taken care of. Jesus helped the man's soul first. Then He helped the man's sickness to go away too. He said, "Pick up your bed and go home." The man who had been unable to walk before, now got up, took his mat and was able to walk home without any help!

The people who were in the house were very surprised that Jesus could say those wonderful words and then heal the man. They praised God for Jesus.

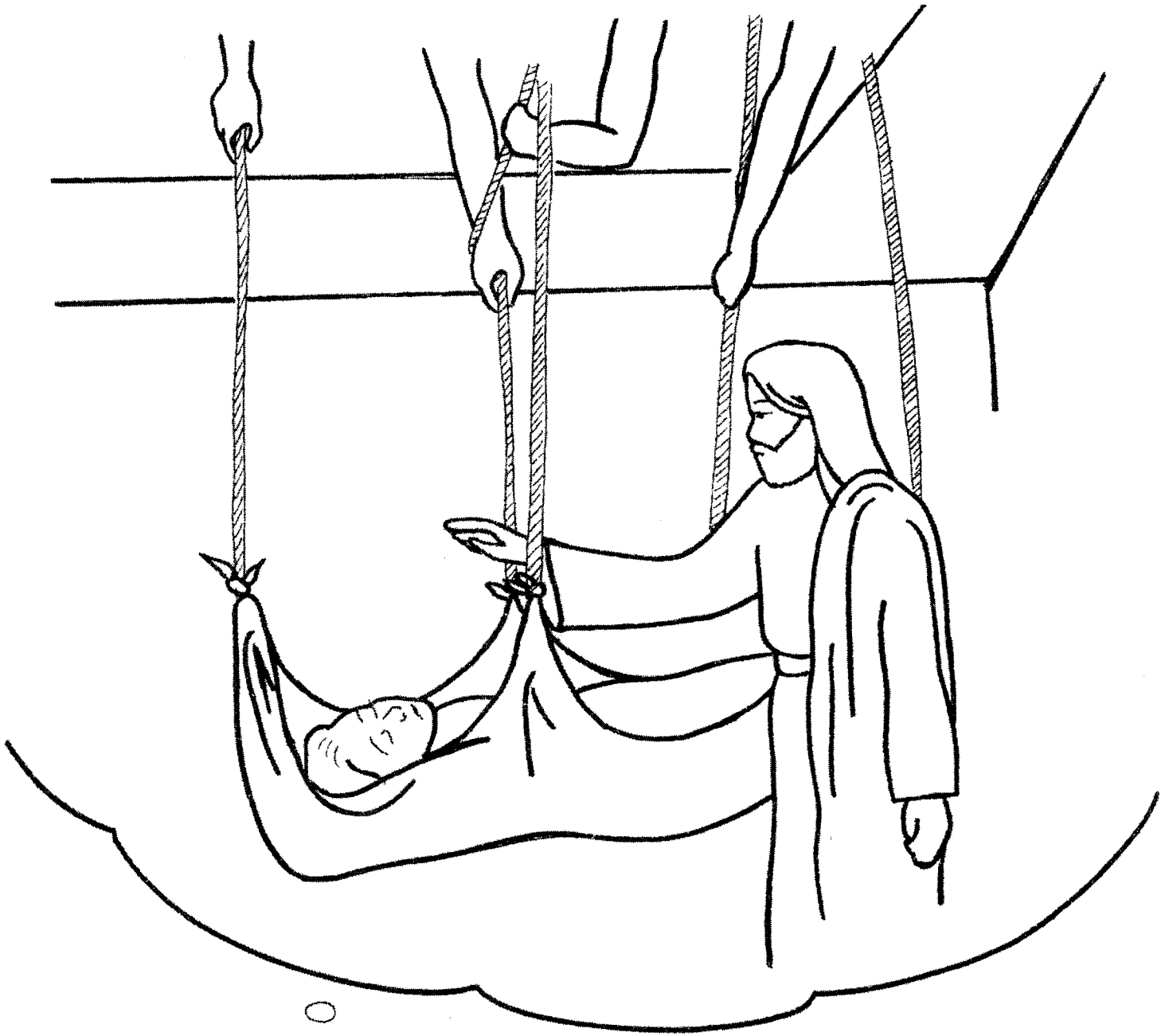
Later, by a lake, Jesus taught the people more about God and how to be saved. People followed Him there to listen more.

Jesus wants to help us, too. He wants to take care of our bodies. He gives us food and clothing. He heals us when we are sick. But more than that, He wants to take care of our souls. He knows that we are sick with sin. But He also tells us in His Word that He has taken all those sins away. He forgives us. We are happy in our hearts to hear those words.

Jesus is our Savior from all sin. We should praise God and listen to His Word every day.

*B*LESSED ARE THEY THAT HEAR THE **WORD OF GOD**, AND KEEP IT.  
— LUKE 11:28





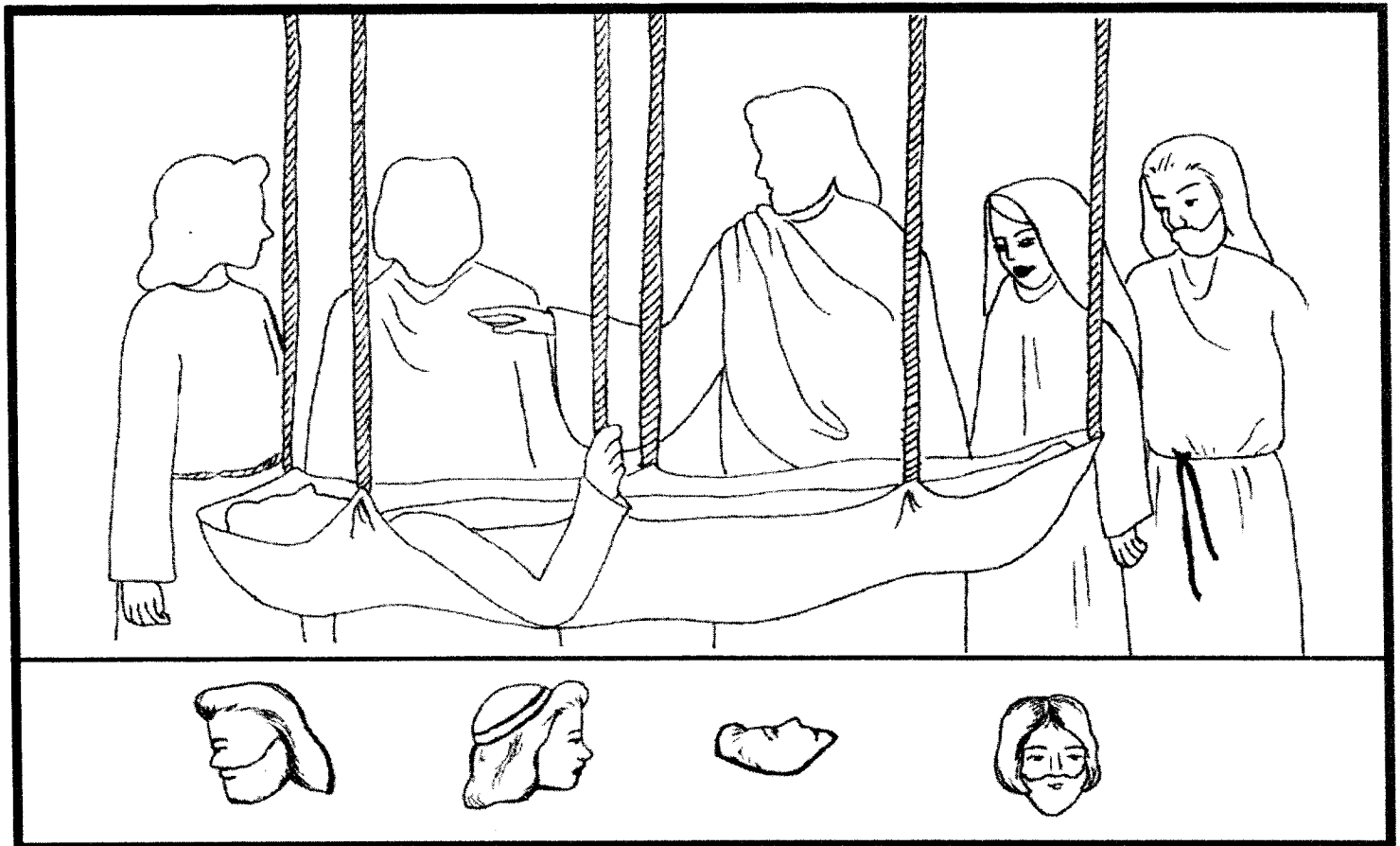
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— MATT. 9:2

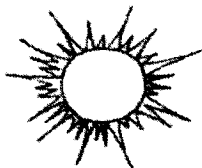
# The Preaching and Healing of Jesus

Level I • Lesson Three

Draw a line from each face to where it belongs in the picture.




Help the sick man get to Jesus.



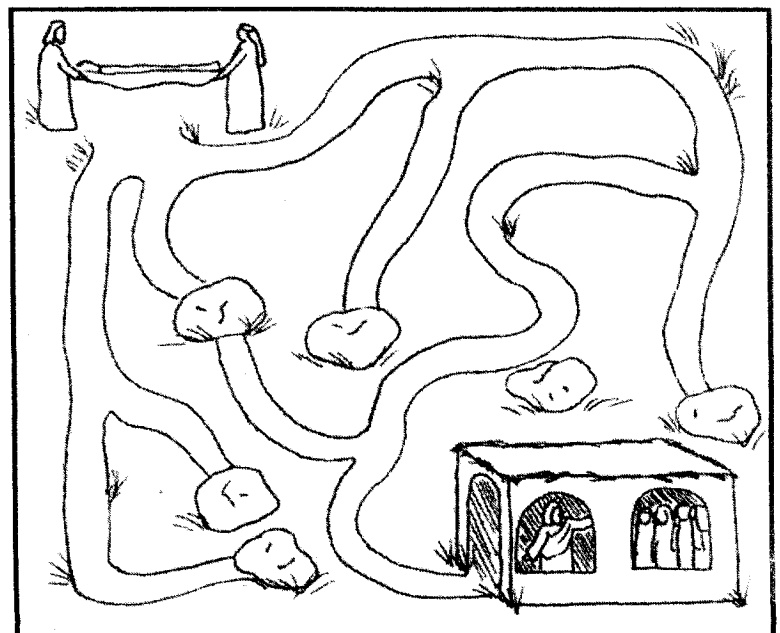
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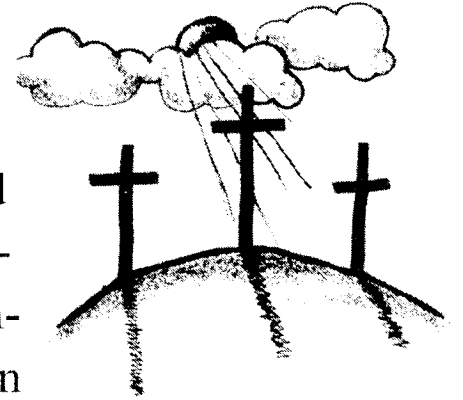
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Use the pictures above to solve an important Scripture message.



# *D*<sup>the</sup>*EA**TH* & *R**ESURRECTION* OF *J**ESUS*



So far we have learned how Jesus received His wonderful name and what that name means for us. We have also learned how Jesus said “No” to Satan’s temptations by using God’s Holy Word. Then we saw how much Jesus wants to heal our souls from the sickness of sin by assuring us of His forgiveness. Jesus is our perfect Savior, and today we shall see just how perfect He is.

Jesus was arrested by soldiers and taken to a court of law. A man named Pontius Pilate told Jesus he must die by hanging on a cross, even though Jesus had done nothing wrong. On Good Friday some soldiers took Jesus to a hill outside of the city of Jerusalem. This hill was called Golgotha. The soldiers took Jesus’ clothes away from Him

and divided them up between themselves. Then

they nailed Jesus’ hands and feet to a wooden cross. They put the cross up on the hill between two men who had broken the law and needed to be punished by death.

At noon the whole world became very dark. The sun had stopped shining in the sky. It stayed dark for three hours. During this time Jesus suffered very much on the cross. In fact He felt the pain of the whole world’s sins. God the Father saw all of our wrongs on Jesus, and made Him to pay for them so we would not have to! Jesus suffered hell in our place. We know this happened, because Jesus cried out, “My God,

My God, why have you left Me?" After three o'clock Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "It is finished," and then He died. One of the soldiers said, "Truly this Man was the Son of God."

Then some friends of Jesus came to take His body down from the cross and place it in a cave-like tomb. A heavy rock was placed in the doorway of this tomb to keep everyone out.

The next day was the Sabbath Day when no one went anywhere or did any work. Then came Sunday morning. Some women who loved Jesus got up very early to visit His tomb and wanted to put sweet smelling spices in the grave. As these women

walked, they wondered how they would move the rock. They were not strong enough to move such a heavy stone. But when they got to the grave, they saw an amazing sight. The stone was already rolled away! And an angel was there to tell them some very good news.

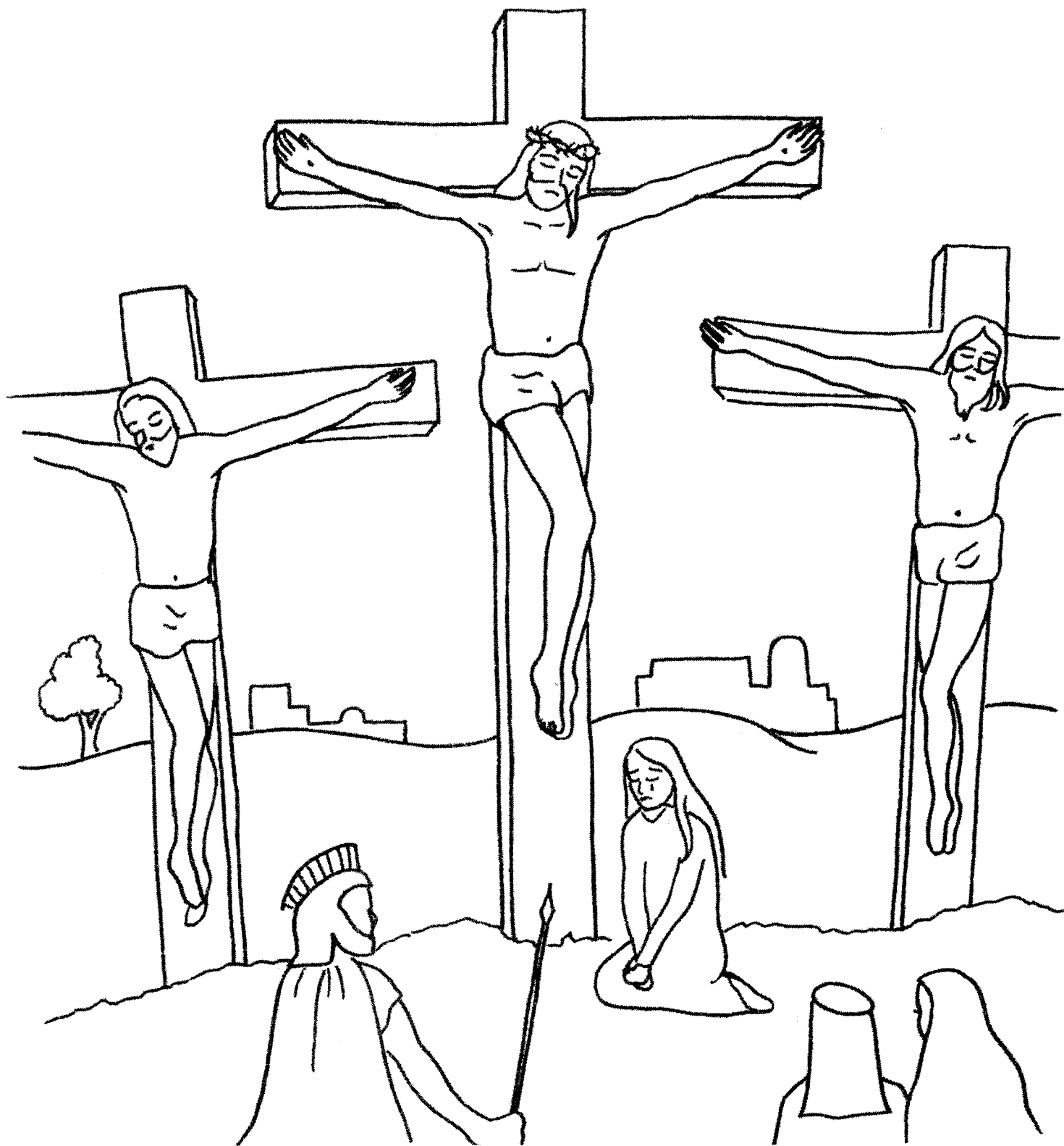
"Jesus is risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid Him." Sure enough, Jesus was not in the grave. He had come alive. The angel told the women to tell the disciples that Jesus was alive, just as He had told them.

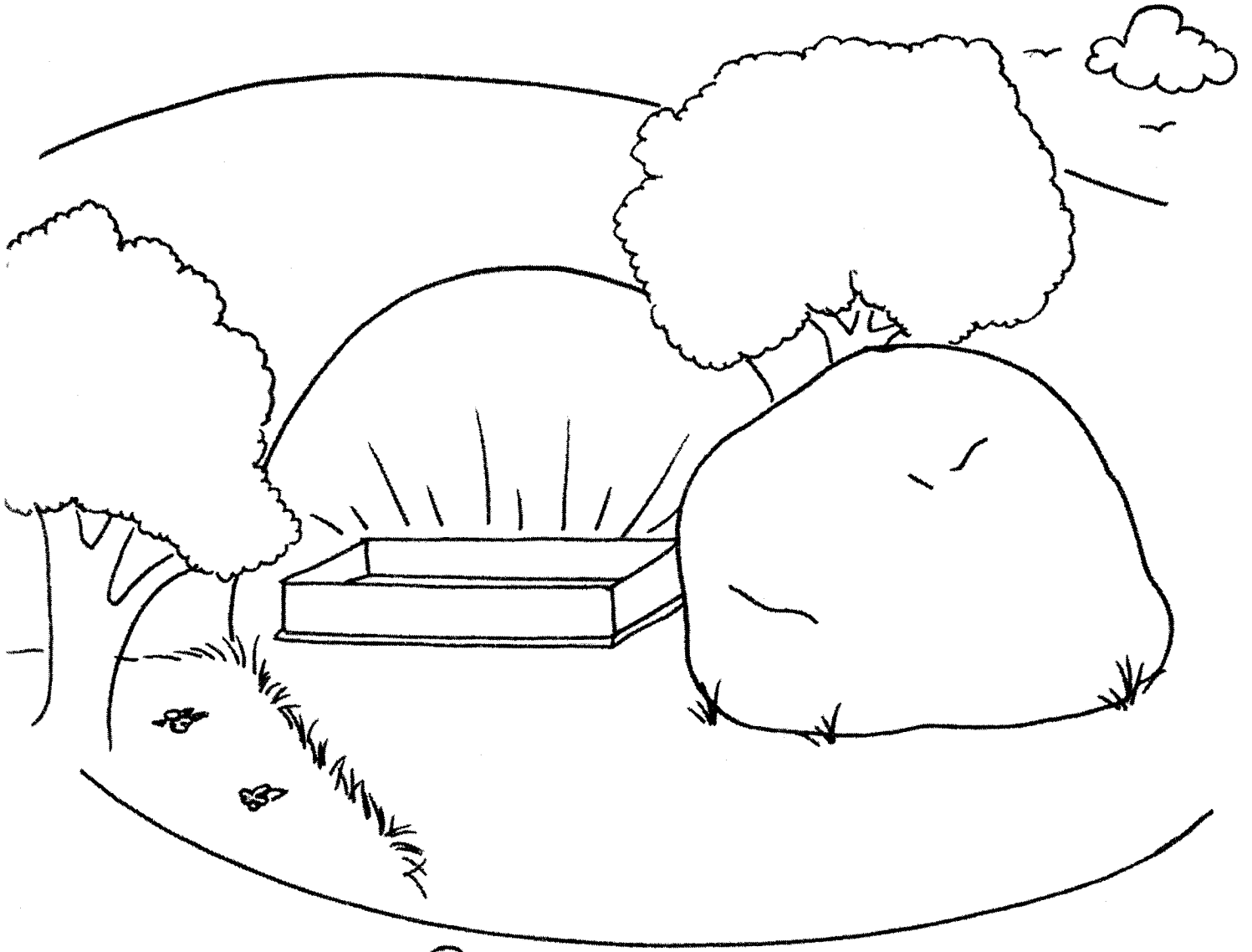
Do you see what a perfect Savior we have? He took all the wrong things we have thought, said, and done, and suffered the pains of hell in our place. He died for us on Good Friday! Then He rose back to life on Easter morning to show Himself to be our perfect Savior. Now we don't have to be afraid to die. We will go to heaven and be with our Jesus forever. See how much Jesus loves us?



*MY* GOD, MY GOD, WHY HAVE YOU FORSAKEN ME?

— MARK 15:34B





*B*ECAUSE I LIVE,  
YOU WILL LIVE ALSO.

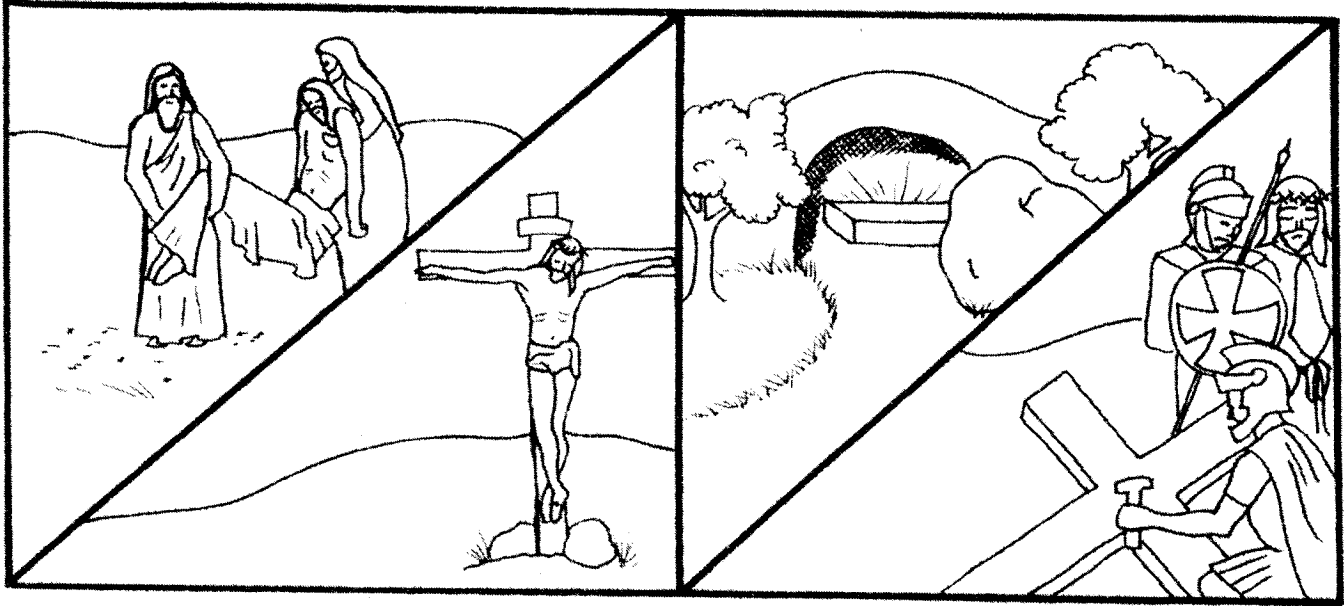
— JOHN 14:19B

# The Death and Resurrection of Jesus

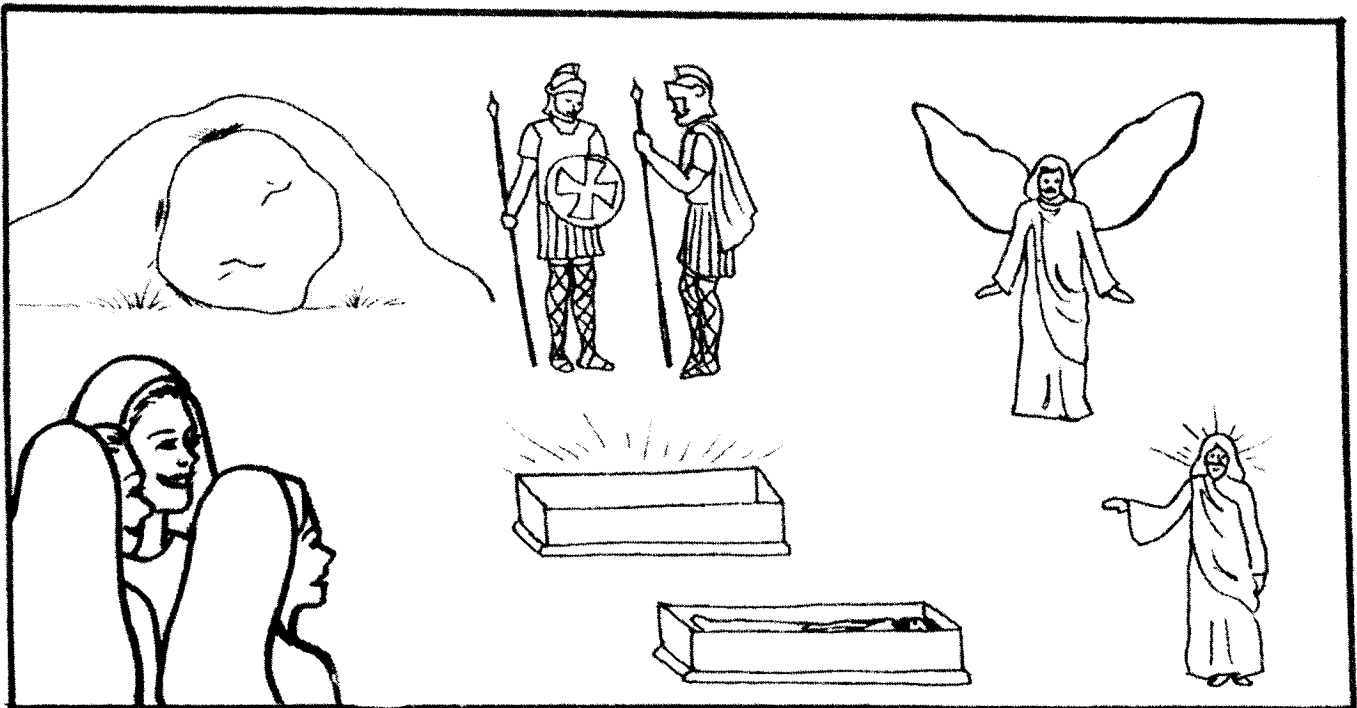
Level 1 • Lesson Four

These pictures show events that happened in our lesson. Draw lines from the pictures to the numbers to put the events in order.

1 2 3 4



Circle what the women found at the tomb Easter morning.



# *A*<sup>the</sup> ASCENSION & RETURN OF JESUS

After Jesus rose from the dead on Easter morning, He showed many people that He really was alive. He visited the disciples, He ate with them, He showed them His wounds, and He talked with them about all that had happened. He did this for forty days. Remember, Jesus is God's Son. He came to earth for the purpose of dealing with sin. All sin was taken care of and now it was


time for Jesus to go back to the Father.

Jesus did not just disappear and go back to heaven. Instead He took his disciples to a mountain called Olivet. There He told them to go out

and tell everyone what a perfect Savior we have. He wants all who believe in Him to spread the Good News of forgiveness and life everlasting to all those who don't know it. He promised to be with His disciples to help them do this important job. He also promised His disciples He would soon give them the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Then Jesus lifted up His hands and blessed the disciples. While He was blessing them He began to rise up into the sky. Soon the disciples could not see Him, because a cloud covered Him. Two angels

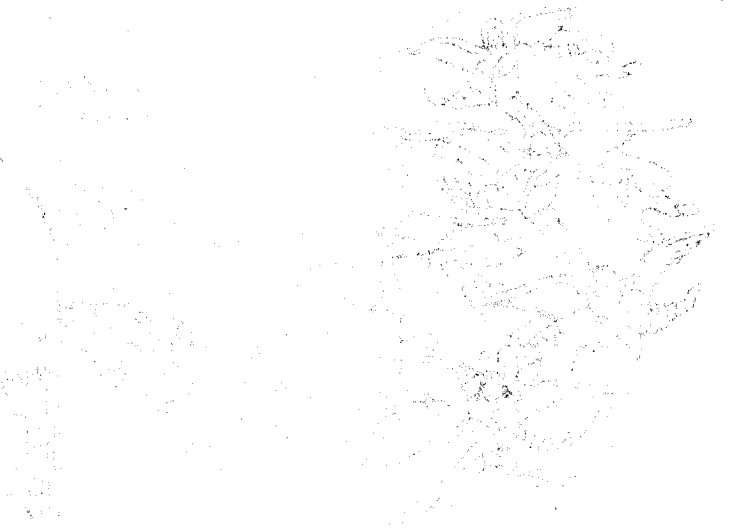




came to the disciples and asked them why they were still looking at the sky. They told the disciples that Jesus would come back again on the Last Day.

When Jesus does come back, He will come back with all His power and angels, not like a little baby. He will sit on His throne. All of His children, those who believe in Him, will go with Him to heaven as He promised. All of those who do not believe Him to be the Savior from sin will go to hell and suffer.

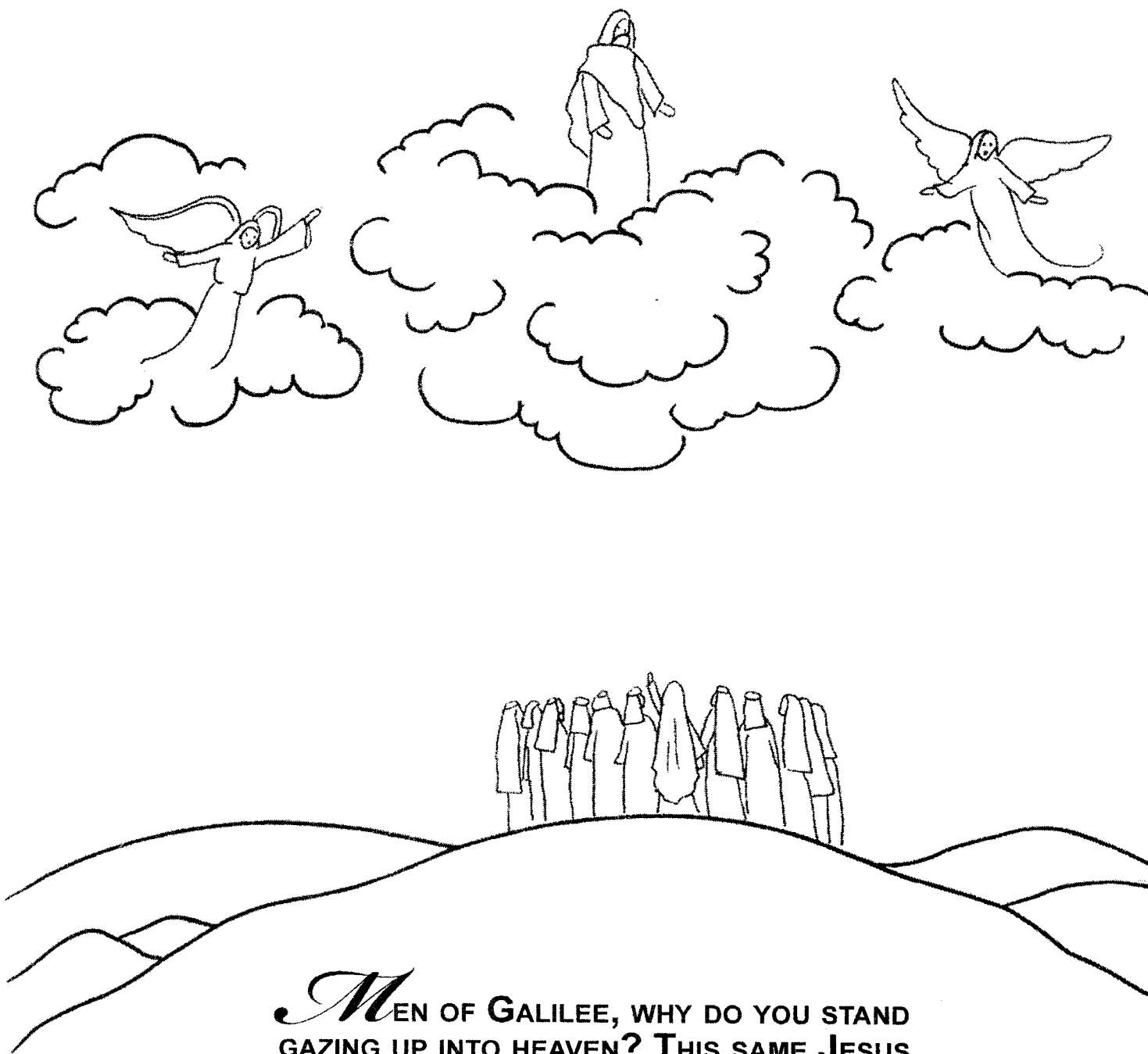
Heaven is a wonderful place. It is filled with goodness and joy. There will be no sorrows or tears. We will be with our Savior Jesus, God the



Father, and the Holy Spirit forever. That is the best thing about heaven.

Hell is an everlasting prison for Satan and all his evil angels. Hell is also the place where those who do not believe in Jesus will go. It is filled with pain and sorrow and tears. Our Savior and God will not be there. That is what makes hell such a terrible place.

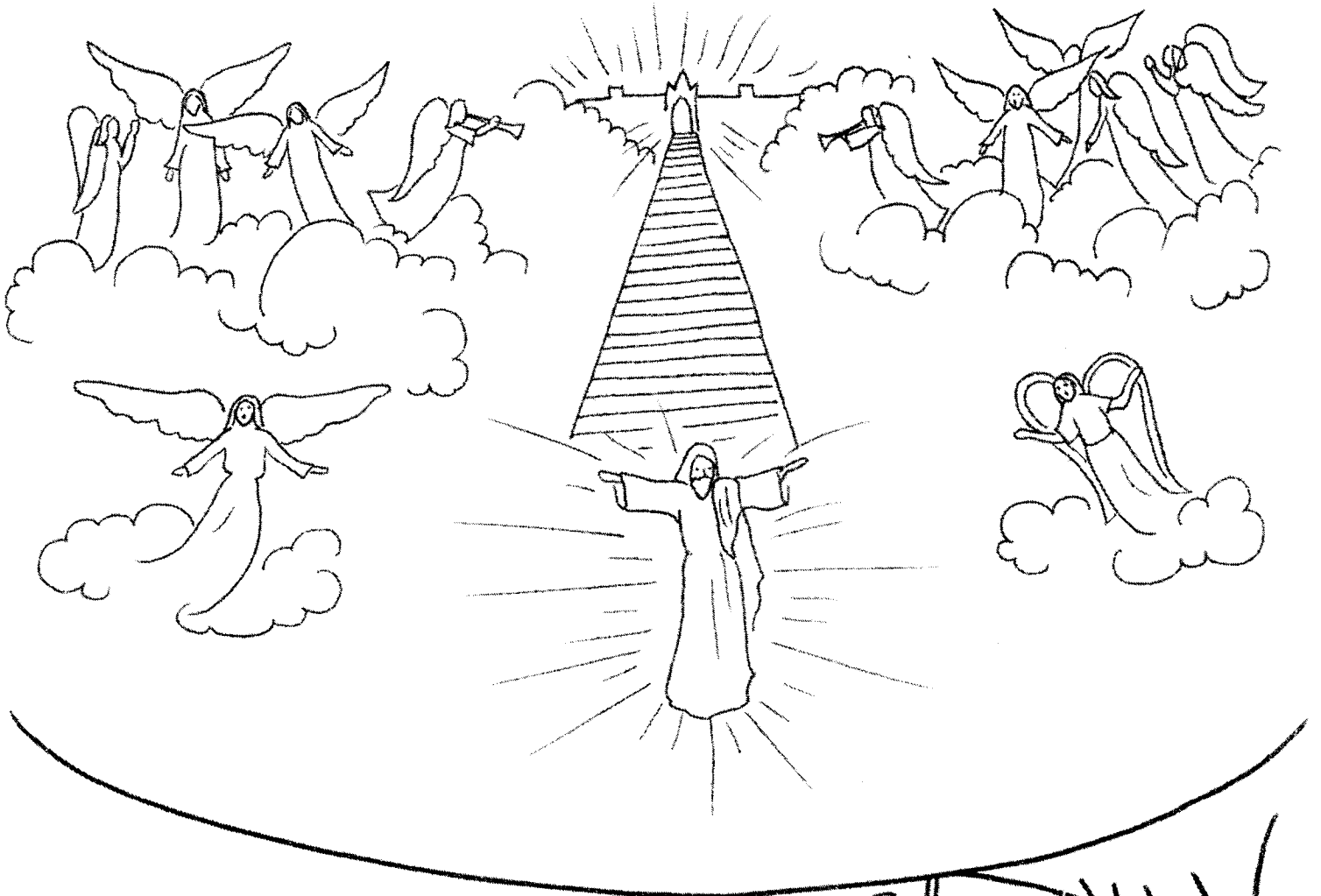
Right now we live here on earth. Jesus does not want us to stay here forever. He wants to take us home, where He is. He will come for us on Judgment Day. What a great day that will be. Thank you, Jesus for being our Perfect Savior!



*M*EN OF GALILEE, WHY DO YOU STAND  
GAZING UP INTO HEAVEN? THIS SAME JESUS,  
WHO WAS TAKEN UP FROM YOU INTO HEAVEN,  
WILL SO COME IN LIKE MANNER AS YOU SAW HIM  
GO INTO HEAVEN.

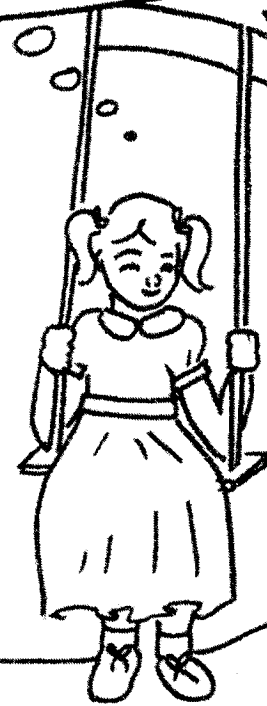
— ACTS 1:11





*I* WILL COME AGAIN AND  
RECEIVE YOU TO **MYSELF**;  
THAT WHERE I AM, THERE YOU  
MAY BE ALSO.

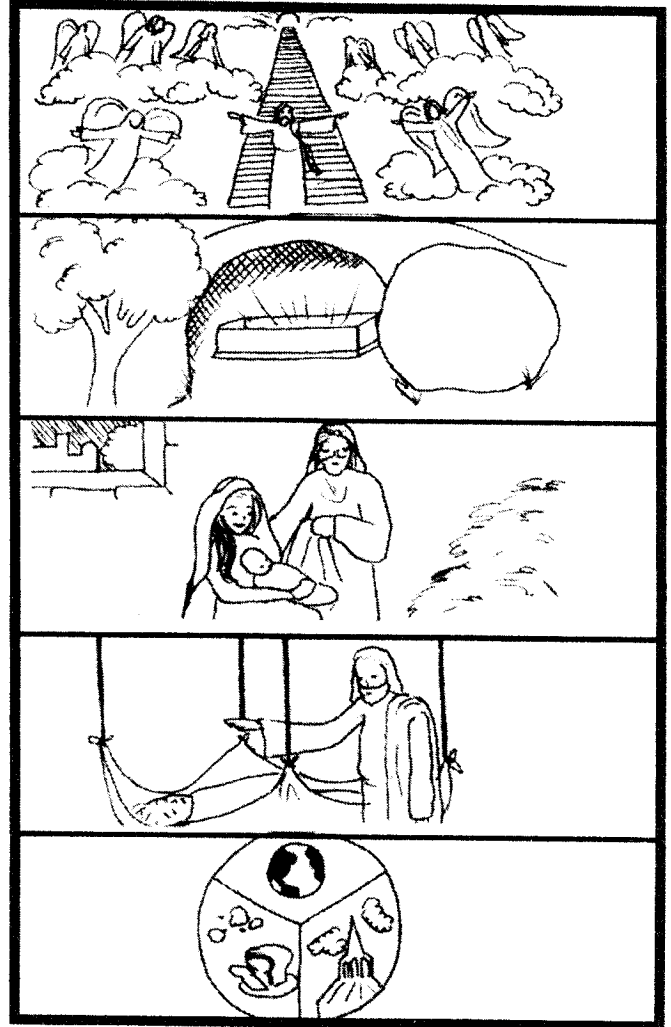
— JOHN 14:3



# The Ascension and Return of Jesus

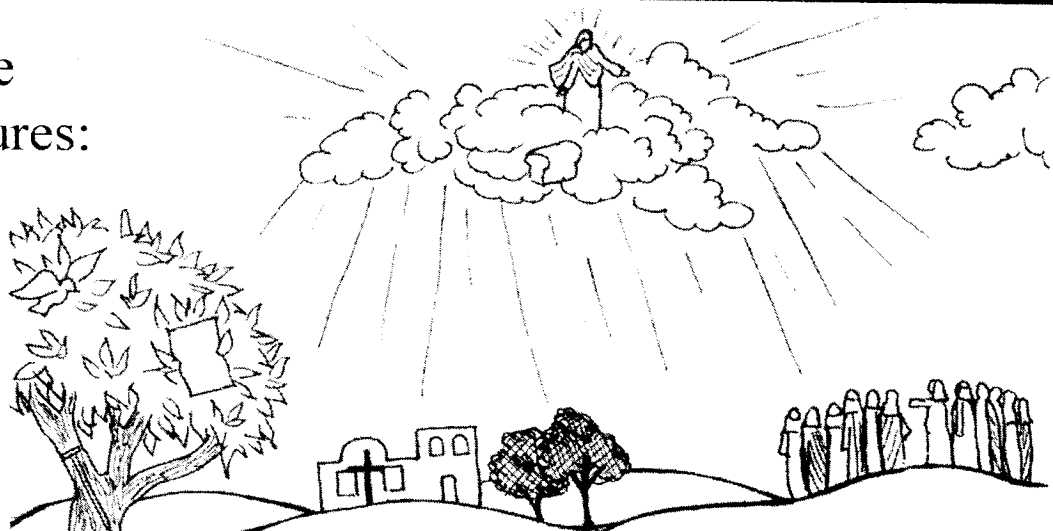
Level 1 • Lesson Five

We have studied five lessons about Jesus. Draw a line to match the lesson picture on the left to the other picture from the same lesson on the right.



Find the five hidden pictures:

- Bread
- A Bible
- Dove
- Cross
- Nail



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# MEMORY PAGE

## BIBLE VERSES

“... you shall call His name JESUS, for He will save His people from their sins.” - Matthew 1:21b

“This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.” - Matthew 3:17b

“Son, be of good cheer; your sins are forgiven you.” - Matthew 9:2b

“Because I live, you will live also.” - John 14:19b

“... I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also.” - John 14:3b

## THE LUTHERAN HYMNAL (355)

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| 1. Thou art the Way; to Thee alone<br>From sin and death we flee;<br>And he who would the Father seek<br>Must seek Him, Lord, by Thee. | 3. Thou art the Life; the rending tomb<br>Proclaims Thy conquering arm;<br>And those who put their trust in Thee<br>Nor death nor hell shall harm. |
| 2. Thou art the Truth; Thy Word alone<br>True wisdom can impart;<br>Thou only canst inform the mind<br>And purify the heart.           | 4. Thou art the Way, the Truth, the Life;<br>Grant us that Way to know,<br>That Truth to keep, that Life to win,<br>Whose joys eternal flow.       |

## THE SECOND ARTICLE (ABOUT REDEMPTION)

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

### *What does this mean?*

I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord.

He has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sin, from death, and from the power of the devil, not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and His innocent suffering and death.

He did this that I should be His very own, live under Him in His kingdom, and serve Him in eternal righteousness, innocence, and joy; just as He is risen from death, lives and reigns in eternity.

This is most certainly true.