

I, _____ (write your name here)
**BELIEVE THAT
JESUS CHRIST
IS MY LORD**



PREACHING & HEALING



CONCEPTION & BIRTH



BAPTISM & TEMPTATION



DEATH & RESURRECTION



ASCENSION & RETURN

the CONCEPTION & BIRTH OF JESUS

Matthew 1:18-25

(18) Now the birth of Jesus Christ was as follows: After His mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Spirit. (19) Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not wanting to make her a public example, was minded to put her away secretly. (20) But while he thought about these things, behold, 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. (21) And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name JESUS, for He will save His people from their sins."

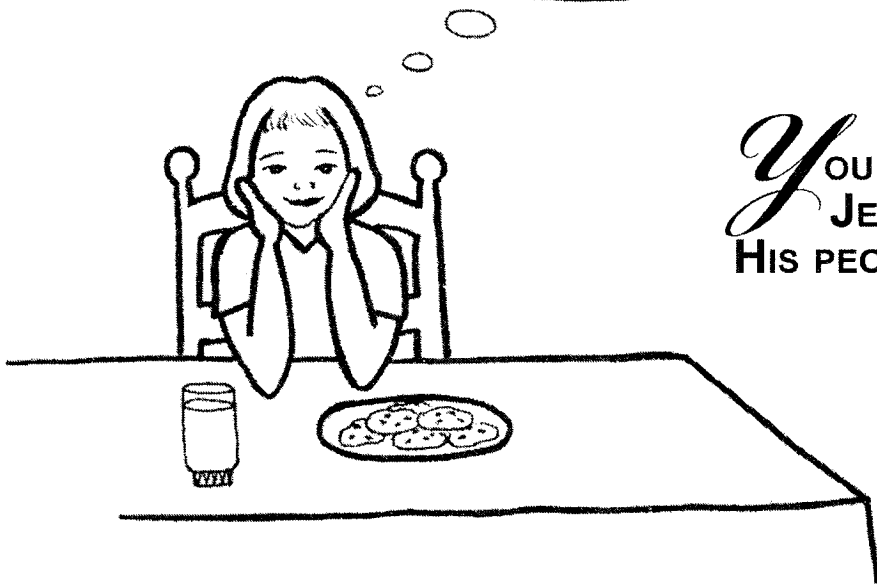
(22) So all this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Lord through the prophet, saying: (23) "Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel,"

which is translated, "God with us." (24) Then Joseph, being aroused from sleep, did as the angel of the Lord commanded him and took to him his wife, (25) and did not know her till she had brought forth her first-born Son. And he called His name JESUS.



BEHOLD, 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 III • Lesson One

A. Place an (X) in front of the best answer.

- Who told Mary that she was going to have a baby?
 An angel named Michael An angel named Gabriel
 A man named Harold A woman named Lydia
- What name was Joseph told to give this baby?
 Manuel Joe
 David Jesus
- Who was the father of this new baby who was to be the Savior?
 Joseph Caesar
 Jonathan God
- What town was our Savior born in?
 Jerusalem Bethlehem
 Gettysburg Antioch
- What was His first home like?
 A hotel A regular house
 A tent A stable
- What was this baby sent to do?
 Cry a lot Grow up to be a governor
 Be a soldier Save us from our sins
- Who came to see this new baby who would become our Savior?
 Carpenters Soldiers
 Shepherds Aunts and Uncles

B. Open your Bibles - Read through the following passages. Then draw a line from the passage on the left to the Christmas hymn that best summarizes it on the right.

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| a. Galatians 4:4-5 | Hymn 93 |
| b. Isaiah 9:2 | Hymn 103 |
| c. Isaiah 9:6 | Hymn 106 |
| d. Luke 2:8-11 | Hymn 99 |

C. Hymn Exercise - read through or sing Hymn 85.

What section of Scripture is this hymn based on? _____

Who wrote this hymn? _____

List the verse numbers below that were directly discussed in today's lesson:

D. Work with the Memory Verse (Gal. 4:4-5) - Fill in the blank with the appropriate noun.

_____ sent forth His _____ born of a _____ born under the _____ to redeem
_____ who were under the _____.

the BAPTISM & TEMPTATION OF JESUS

Matthew 3:13-17
Matthew 4:1-11

(13) Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan to be baptized by him. (14) And John tried to prevent Him, saying, "I need to be baptized by You, and are You coming to me?" (15) But Jesus answered and said to him, "Permit it to be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he allowed Him. (16) When He had been baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting upon Him. (17) And suddenly a voice came from heaven, saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."

(1) Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. (2) And when He had fasted forty days and forty nights, afterward He was hungry. (3) Now when the tempter came to Him, he said, "If You are the Son of God, command that these stones become bread." (4) But He answered and said, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.'" (5) Then the devil took Him up into the holy city, set Him on the pinnacle of the temple, (6) and said to Him, "If You are the Son of God, throw Yourself down. For it is written: 'He shall give His angels

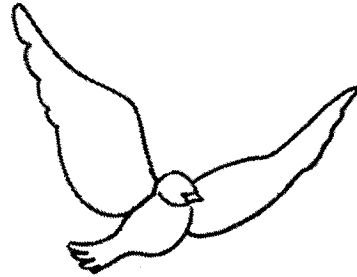
charge over you,' and, 'In their hands they shall bear you up, Lest you dash your foot against a stone.'" (7) Jesus said to him, "It is written again, 'You shall not tempt the LORD your God.'" (8) Again, the devil took Him up on an exceedingly high mountain, and showed

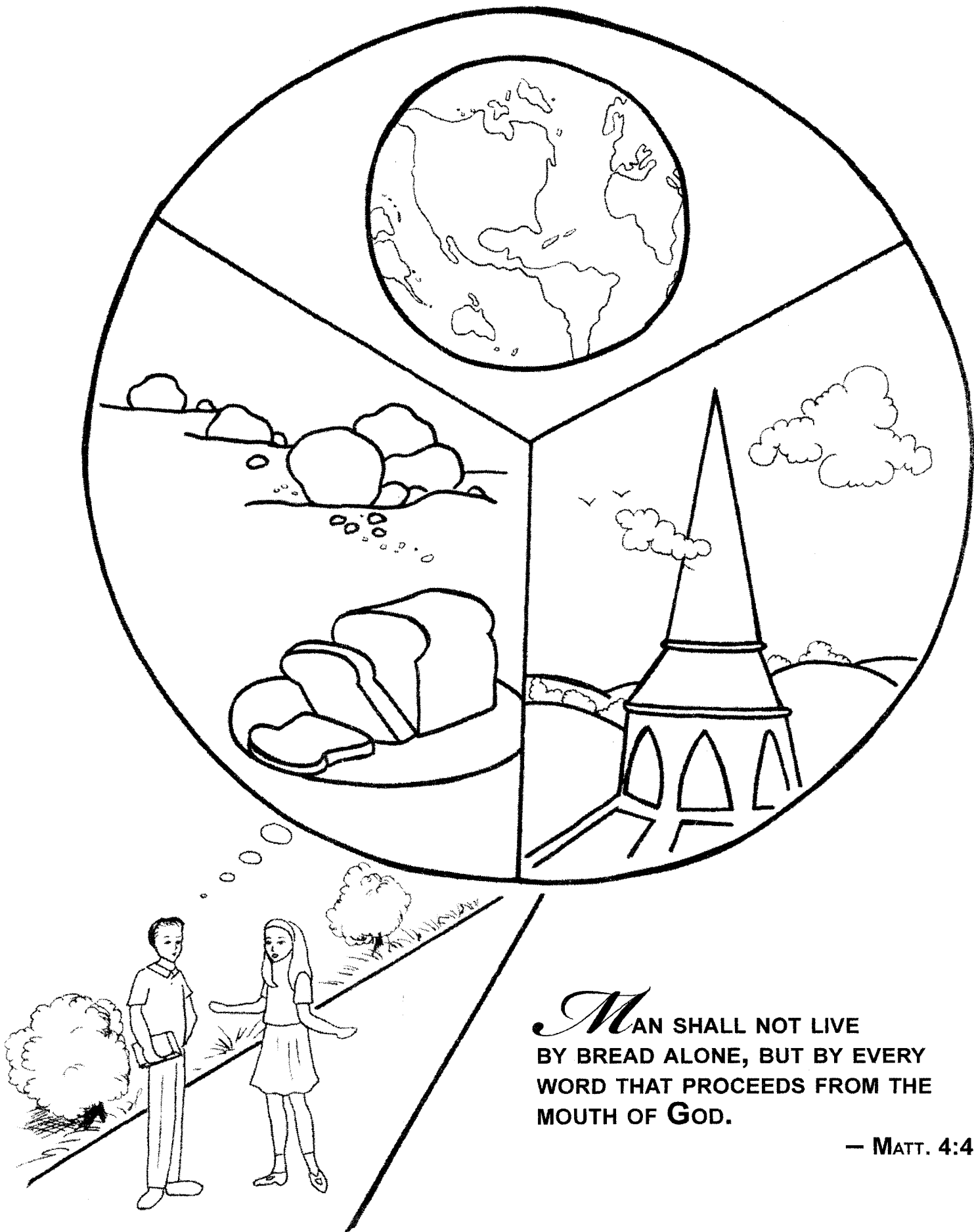


Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. (9) And he said to Him, "All these things I will give You if You will fall down and worship me." (10) Then Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! For it is written, 'You shall worship the LORD your God, and Him only you shall serve.'" (11) Then the devil left Him, and behold, angels came and ministered to Him.

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

— 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 III • Lesson Two

A. True or False - What can we learn from this lesson?

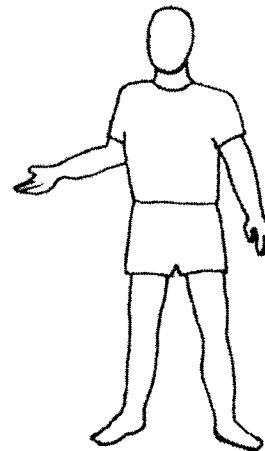
- 1. Jesus is true man and true God.
- 2. We can win our salvation if we are strong enough to stand up to Satan.
- 3. God chose Jesus to win salvation for us.
- 4. Jesus came to crush the power of evil rulers on earth.
- 5. John the Baptist baptized Jesus.
- 6. We need to be baptized because we are sinful.
- 7. God the Father and the Holy Spirit were present at Jesus' baptism.
- 8. After the baptism, Jesus was led into the wilderness to be tempted by Satan.
- 9. Satan tempted Jesus four times.
- 10. Jesus refuted the Devil with God's Word.

B. Fill in the Blanks - Jesus quoted Scripture to fight Satan. You can, too! Fill in the blanks below and discuss what these passages have to do with today's lesson.

Psalm 91:11-12 "For _____ shall give His _____ charge _____, To _____ you in _____ your _____. They _____ bear you up _____ their _____, Lest _____ your _____ against a _____."

Ephesians 6:17-18 "And _____ the _____ of _____, and the _____ of the _____, which is the _____ of _____; _____ always with all prayer and _____ in the _____, being _____ to this end _____ all _____ and _____ for all the _____."

C. Open Your Bibles - As we have just learned in the passage from Ephesians above, the Bible tells us that we should wear a special kind of armor to protect us from the Devil. Read the passage again (Ephesians 6:11-17) and then draw each piece of armor on the Christian.



D. Work with the Memory Verse – Cross out every j, q, and x to find today's verse.

" FjorjxHeqsxhalxlgqijveHjixsangqxejlschxargqeo xvjeqryou,
 txoxkeejpyouxqixnajllyoxurqwaxys.
 Tjxheyqshxajllxbqearyqxouxupjxiqntxheixrjqxhjandqs,
 lxesqtxyqoudaxjsqhyoxjurfxooqtagaxinjstxaqsqtxone.

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Mark 2:1-13

(1) And again He entered Capernaum after some days, and it was heard that He was in the house. (2) Immediately many gathered together, so that there was no longer room to receive them, not even near the door. And He preached the word to them. (3) Then they came to Him, bringing a paralytic who was carried by four men.

(4) And when they could not come near Him because of the crowd, they uncovered the roof where He was. So when they had broken through, they let down the bed on which the paralytic was lying. (5) When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven you." (6) And some of the scribes were sitting there and reasoning in their hearts, (7) "Why does this Man speak blasphemies like this? Who can forgive sins but God alone?" (8) But immediately, when Jesus perceived in His spirit that they reasoned thus within themselves, He said to them, "Why do you reason about these things in your hearts? (9) Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Arise, take up your bed and walk'?" (10) But that you may know that the



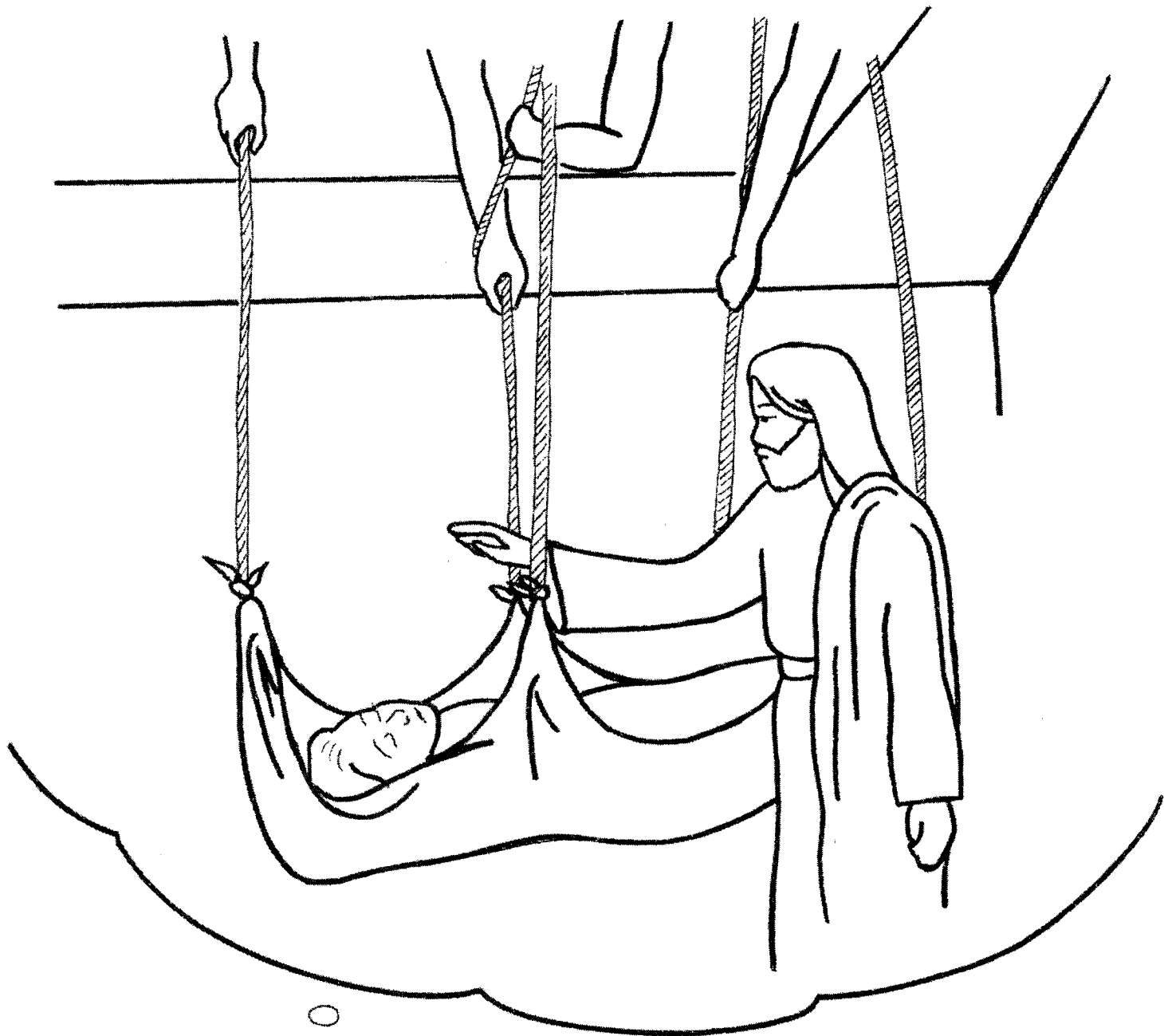
Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins"—He said to the paralytic, (11) "I say to you, arise, take up your bed, and go to your house."

(12) Immediately he arose, took up the bed, and went out in the presence of them all, so that all were amazed and glorified God, saying, "We never saw anything like this!" (13) Then He went out again by the sea; and all the multitude came to Him, and He taught them.

*B*LESSED ARE THEY THAT HEAR THE **WORD OF GOD**, AND KEEP IT.

— LUKE 11:28





*B*E OF GOOD
CHEER, YOUR SINS
ARE FORGIVEN!

— MATT. 9:2

The Preaching and Healing of Jesus

Level III • Lesson Three

A. Choose the letter that correctly answers each sentence from the box on the right.

1. Jesus was given the name ____ which means "God with us."
2. Jesus began His earthly ministry after His ____.
3. People followed Jesus to hear him ____.
4. Some followed Jesus to witness ____.
5. Jesus' works gave praise and ____ to God.
6. Jesus was in ____ preaching and teaching.
7. A ____ was brought to Jesus to be healed.
8. His friends brought him in through the ____.
9. First Jesus healed the man's ____.
10. The ____ overheard Jesus forgive the man's sins.
11. This made them ____.
12. ____ has the power to forgive sins.
13. Jesus proceeded to heal the man's ____.
14. This proves that Jesus is ____.
15. Jesus suffered, died and rose again so that all people might have ____.
16. We learn about true forgiveness in the ____.

- a. paralytic
- b. forgiveness
- c. Bible
- d. angry
- e. body
- f. baptism
- g. Immanuel
- h. true God
- i. soul
- j. roof
- k. miracles
- l. Jesus
- m. preach
- n. glory
- o. Capernaum
- p. Scribes

B. Further Study - Tell whether each event from the first three lessons shows that Jesus is True God [TG] or True Man [TM].

- ____ 1. Jesus was born of a woman.
- ____ 2. Jesus was conceived by the Holy Spirit.
- ____ 3. Jesus was sinless when He was born.
- ____ 4. Jesus was tired when He was in the wilderness.
- ____ 5. The dove and the voice were present at His baptism.
- ____ 6. Jesus needed food.
- ____ 7. Jesus healed the paralyzed man of his disease.
- ____ 8. Jesus knew what the Scribes were thinking.
- ____ 9. Jesus forgave the paralyzed man.

C. Open your Bibles - Read the following passages and write down whether they tell us about Jesus as True God or Jesus as True Man. Discuss your answers.

- a. Luke 2:12
- b. Matthew 8:23-27
- c. Mark 4:38
- d. John 11:43-44
- e. John 11:35

D. Work with the Memory Verse - See the review page in the back of your workbook.

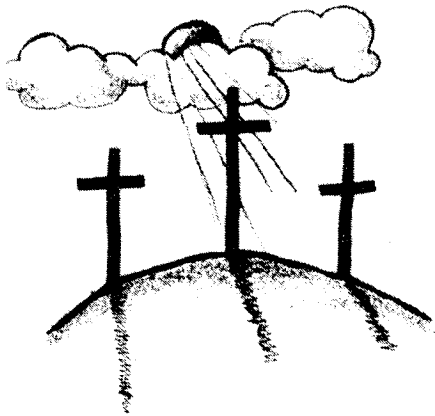
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Mark 15:22-28

Mark 15:33-39

Mark 16:1-8

(22) And they brought Him to the place Golgotha, which is translated, Place of a Skull. (23) Then they gave Him wine mingled with myrrh to drink, but He did not take it. (24) And when they crucified Him, they divided His garments, casting lots for them to determine what every man should take. (25) Now it was the third hour, and they crucified Him. (26) And the



inscription of His accusation was written above: THE KING OF THE JEWS. (27) With Him they also crucified two robbers, one on His right and the other on His left.

(28) So the Scripture was fulfilled which says, “And He was numbered with the transgressors.”

(33) Now when the sixth hour had come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour.

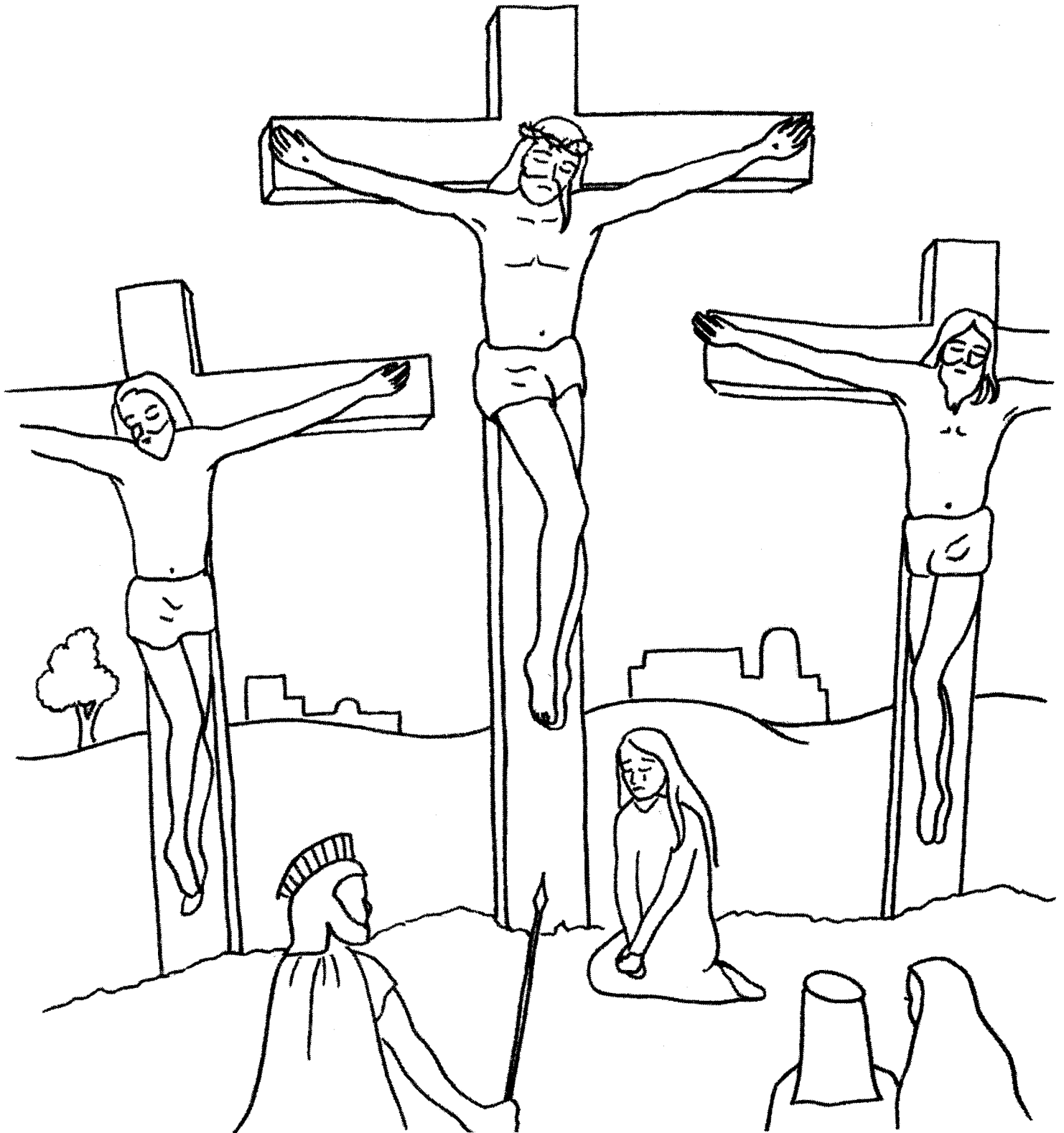
(34) And at the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, “Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?” which is translated, “My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?” (35) Some of those who stood by, when they heard that, said, “Look, He is calling for Elijah!” (36) Then someone ran and filled a sponge full of sour wine, put it on a reed, and offered it to Him to drink,

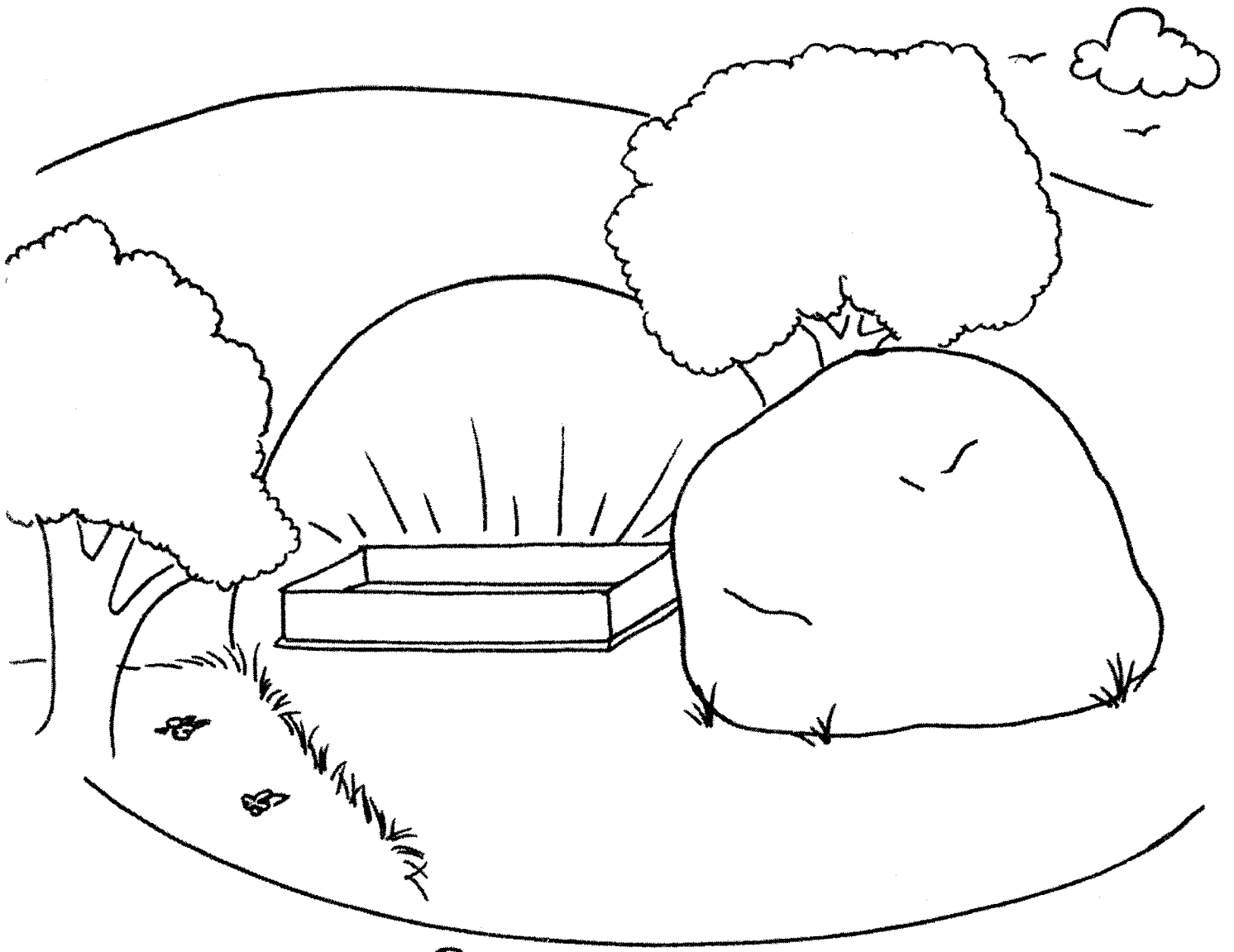
saying, “Let Him alone; let us see if Elijah will come to take Him down.” (37) And Jesus cried out with a loud voice, and breathed His last. (38) Then the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. (39) So when the centurion, who stood opposite Him, saw that He cried out like this and breathed His last, he said, “Truly this Man was the Son of God!”

(1) Now when the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, that they might come and anoint Him. (2) Very early in the morning, on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb when the sun had risen. (3) And they said among themselves, “Who will roll away the stone from the door of the tomb for us?” (4) But when they looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled away—for it was very large. (5) And entering the tomb, they saw a young man clothed in a long white robe sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. (6) But he said to them, “Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He is risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid Him. (7) But go, tell His disciples—and Peter—that He is going before you into Galilee; there you will see Him, as He said to you.” (8) So they went out quickly and fled from the tomb, for they trembled and were amazed. And they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

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 III • Lesson Four

A. Use numbers (1-10) to place the following events in chronological order.

- () The women find the angel sitting in the empty tomb.
- () Darkness covered the land from the sixth hour until the ninth.
- () The women are told to spread the news of the resurrection.
- () Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome went to anoint the body.
- () The veil of the temple was torn in two.
- () Jesus is brought to Golgotha.
- () Jesus cried out from the cross, "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?"
- () Jesus cried out with a loud voice and breathed His last.
- () Jesus was crucified on the cross at the third hour for our sins.
- () The centurion said, "Truly this Man was the Son of God."

B. Open your Bibles - Look up the following passages and fill in the blanks below.

John 3:16 "For _____ so loved the _____ that He _____ His _____ Son, that _____ in Him should not _____ but have _____."

I Corinthians 15:55-57 "O Death, _____ is your _____? O _____ where is your _____? The _____ of _____ is sin, and the _____ of sin is the _____. But _____ be to _____, who gives us the _____ through our _____."

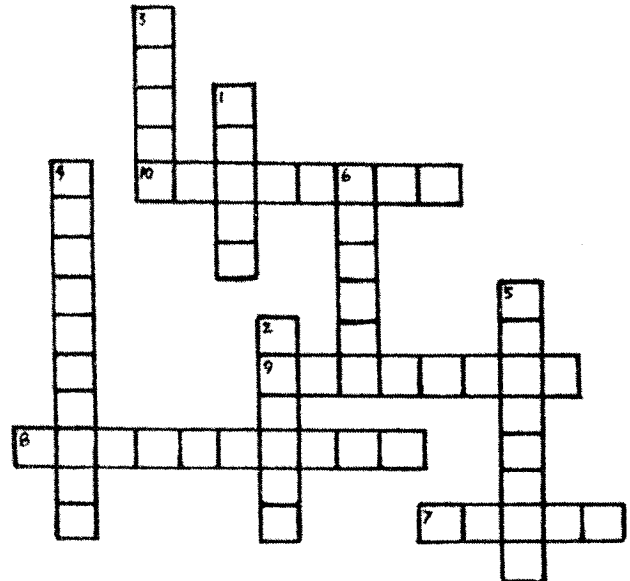
C. Open your hymnals - Easter hymns are wonderful prayers to thank and praise God all year through. Read Hymn 198 through and then refer to it to complete the crossword puzzle below.

Down

1. He's _____!
2. He opened Death's _____
3. Break _____, hosts of heaven
4. The Foe was _____
5. The Lord of _____
6. _____ to the tree

Across

7. The Savior _____
8. He _____, His foes
9. _____ and forgiven
10. Sing your _____



D. Work with the Memory Verse --
Match the phrases from today's Bible verse.

- _____ 1. I am the resurrection
- _____ 2. He who believes
- _____ 3. Though he may die,
- _____ 4. And whoever lives and believes

- a. in Me shall never die.
- b. he shall live;
- c. and the life;
- d. in Me

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Matthew 25:31-34; 41; 46

Luke 24:46-50

Acts 1:9-11

(31) "When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. (32) All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats. (33) And He will set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left. (34) Then the King will say to those on His right hand, 'Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world:



(41) "Then He will also say to those on the left hand, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels:

(46) And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

(46) Then He said to them, "Thus it is written, and thus it

was necessary for the Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead the third day, (47) and that repentance and

remission of sins should be preached in His name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. (48) And you are witnesses of these things. (49) Behold, I send the Promise of My Father upon you; but tarry in the city of Jerusalem until you are endued with power from on high." (50) And He led them out as far as Bethany, and He lifted up His hands and blessed them.

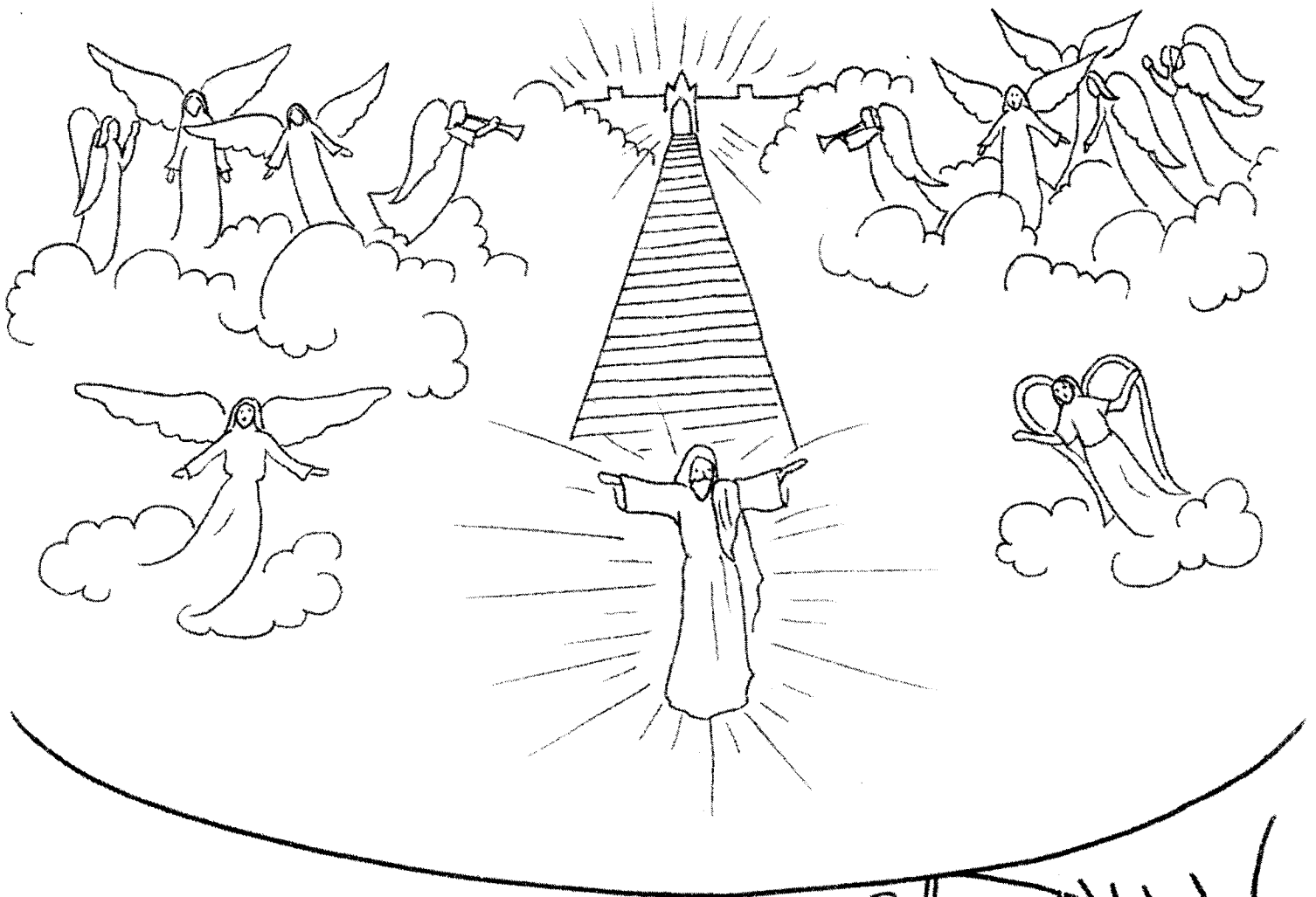
(9) Now when He had spoken these things, while they watched, He was taken up, and a cloud received Him out of their sight. (10) And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as He went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel, (11) who also said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand gazing up 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."





*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



Review page

Memory Verse exercise for Lesson 3 (John 8:31-32):

9 6 25 15 21 1 2 9 4 5 9 14 13 25 23 15 18 4

25 15 21 1 18 5 13 25 4 9 19 3 9 16 12 5 19

9 14 4 5 5 4 1 14 4 25 15 21 19 8 1 12 12

11 14 15 23 20 8 5 20 18 21 20 8 1 14 4 20 8 5

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Week in review – Decode the words from our lessons this week. Hint: The letters are off by two. For example, C=A, D=B, E=C, etc. Then find the words in the puzzle.

LGUWU
OCTA
LQUGRJ
DKTVJ
DGVJNGJGO
UCXKQT
DCRVKUO
FQXG
VGORVCVKQP
RTGCEJKPI
JGCNKPI
HQTIXG
HCKVJ
TQQH
OKTCENGU
TGUWTTGEVKQP
IQNIQVJC
FGCVJ
VQOD
ETQUU

GCUVGT
CPIGN
CUEGPKQP
ENQWF
TGVWTP
DNGUUKPI
JGCXGP
UQP QH IQF

Q E T L A I B G L R A G C E P L H A H T
B M A E E P O I R B C G N I S S E L B N
J D S A X G E F E D Y K H L S M A N L A
E H D S S O N O F G O D T O Q W V T K S
D B L T Z L R A H C E Z R Y W B E P M C
N A I E B G H E D A T C K V L C N E R E
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C D U O L C T Z A F A I T H G M R P N D

MEMORY PAGE

BIBLE VERSES

But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons. - Galatians 4:4-5

For He shall give His angels charge over you, To keep you in all your ways. In their hands they shall bear you up, Lest you dash your foot against a stone. - Psalm 91:11-12

Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, "If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." - John 8:31-32

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?" - John 11:25-26

In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also. - John 14:2-3

THE LUTHERAN HYMNAL (355)

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

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