

Do you know that the God who made the universe loves you?

He loves you so much that He wants you to be His child!

God's Word (the Bible) says, "God is love." 1 John 4:8

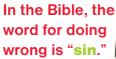
But, do you know that you and I, and all the other people in the world, have done wrong things-

. like lying and stealing and disobeying God and being selfish

and hurting others?



We have.





God says that you have sinned and I have sinned

Our sin is what keeps us away from God's great love for us.

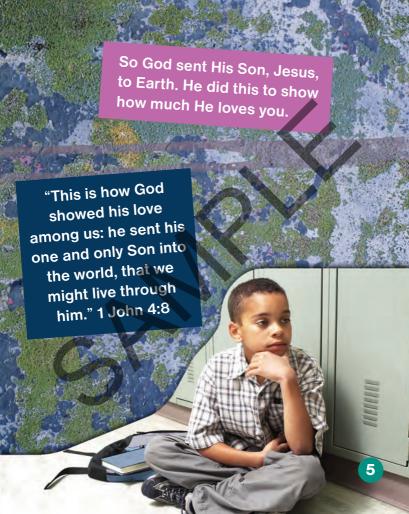


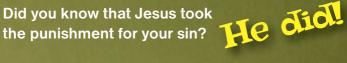
### The Bible says:

"All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."

Romans 3:23



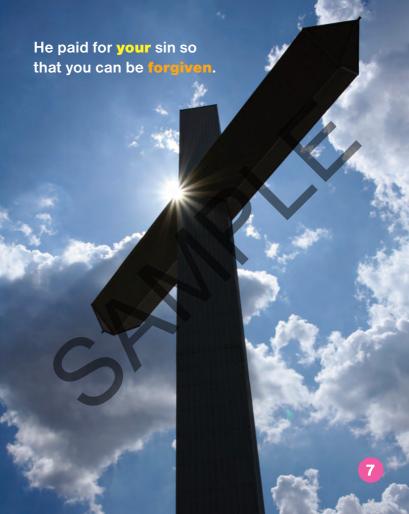






Jesus died on a cross. He did this to take the punishment for all the wrong things people have done.

> The Bible says: "Christ died for our sins," 1 Corinth are 15:3



Do you know that God is ready to forgive you right now?

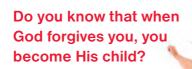
He is!

"Everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins." Ages 10:43

If you admit that you've done wrong things, and if you be lieve that Jesus died and came back to life for you, God will forgive all your sin.



"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins." 1 John 1:9



# That's right

God wants you to be in His family!

> God's Word says:

"To all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become

children of God." John 1:12



#### How to ask to be God's child:

You can talk to God in your own words. But here are some words to help you get started!

#### I'm Sorry

I'm sorry for the wrong things I've done. I have disobeyed.

#### I'm Glad

I'm glad Jesus died for me and came back to life again! I'm glad Jesus wants me to live with Him forever in heaven.

#### **Please**

Please forgive me and make me part of Your family. Help me follow You by loving others.

#### **Thank You**

Thank You for loving me and accepting me into Your family.
Thank You for Your promise to always be with me.



## Welcome to God's Family!

I want everyone to know that on



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became a child of God by asking Jesus to forgive my sin and to be with me forever.



"How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, Father has lavished on us, that we should be called that we should be Children of God! And that children of God! And that is what we are!" 1 John 3:1

Did you know that you can talk to God any time?

Talking to God is called praying.
You can pray out !

You can pray out loud or just with your thoughts.

You

### It's great to talk to God when—

you're angry, sad or afraid

 you're happy, glad or thankful

you've done wrong and are sorry

you need anything at all!

God loves you. He wants to hear from you. He always listens!

## Did you know that you can get to know God better?

### You can!

God gave us a wonderful book. It's called the Bible.



A good place to start reading the Bible is the book of **Mark**. It's the second book in the New Testament.



You can grow as God's child you never stop growing in God's family!

One way to grow is to show His love to others! That is what God's Word says to do

"Be kind . . . to one another, forgiving each other."

Ephesians 4:32

When you are kind to people, you are showing them God's love.

Then they are glad to learn that God loves them!

You can tell them what you know about Jesus.



Talk to God every day.

Read His words to you in the Bible.

Do the things it says to do!

Spend time with other people who are part of God's family.

God will help you do this—all you have to do is ask Him!

God loves you and He is GLAD to have you in His family!



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