

## Discussion points:

1. Jesus took the punishment for our sins.

Read Romans 5:8-9

Ask your children the following:

1. How did God show His love for us?
2. What were we like when Jesus died for us?
3. What did Jesus' blood do?
4. If we love Jesus, will we face God's wrath?

God has to punish sin. If He doesn't then He isn't really a pure, holy God. So, everyone of us deserves to be punished for our sin. But even while we were sinning, and deserving to be punished, God loved us so much He sent Jesus to die in our place. When Jesus died for our sins, He saved us from the punishment we deserve.

2. Jesus took our sin upon Himself.

Read 2 Corinthians 5:21

Ask children the following:

1. Did Jesus commit any sins?
2. Who put our sins upon Jesus?
3. Whose sins did Jesus take?
4. How does Jesus make us right before God?

On the cross, God put our sins upon Jesus. Even though Jesus never sinned, while He hung on the cross, God placed our sins upon Jesus, so that He carried their burden. This is why Jesus asks God, "Why have you forsaken Me?" God could not look upon sin with joy.

3. We will not face God's wrath.

Read 1 Thessalonians 5:9-10

Ask children the following:

1. Has God designed it that we would face wrath?
2. What has He designed for us?
3. Who do we come to salvation through?
4. Do we only live with Jesus after we die?

Since God has not designed for us to face wrath, we get to enjoy salvation through Jesus. Jesus died for us, so that the wrath of God would not be poured out on us. And now, whether while alive or someday after death, He desires that we live together with Him!

4. Jesus gives eternal life.

Read 1 Peter 2:24-25

Ask children the following:

1. What does it mean that "He bore our sin?"
2. What does it mean that we "die to sin?"
3. How can we live?
4. Who is taking care of you?

Not only did Jesus take our punishment for sin, but He also killed sin's ability to control us. We have not been set free from sin and can choose to live for God instead. Peter tells us that since our sins were nailed on the cross with Jesus, we can now obey Jesus! We were once roaming around like stray sheep, but now we have Jesus watching over us and caring for us!

# Table Talk

You shall teach them diligently to your sons and shall talk of them when you sit in your house and when you walk by the way and when you lie down and when you rise up.

-Deuteronomy 6:7

