



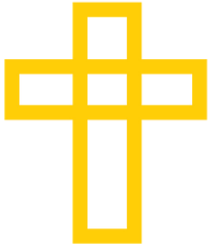
GOD LOVED.

On a piece of paper, have your child write the words "God Loved" and draw a heart next to the word "Loved."

ASK YOUR CHILD:

1. How do you know God loves you?
2. What is sin?
3. Have you ever sinned?
4. What separates you from God?

God loved you before you were ever born. He loves you right now. But there is something that separates us from him. It's called sin. It's the stuff we do wrong. Because God is perfect, there is no way we can get into God's family on our own. But because God loved, he did what people who love do. He gave.



GOD GAVE.

Have your child write the words "God Gave" and draw a cross next to the word "Gave."

ASK YOUR CHILD:

1. What did God give us? Why?
2. What did Jesus do for us?

God gave you the most important, valuable, and perfect thing he had. He knew that our sin would keep us out of his family forever. Our sin separates us from God and we would stay that way, but because God loved, he gave his son so that we could have a relationship with him. Jesus gave up his life on the cross to pay for our sin. He came to make a way for you to be in God's family.



WE BELIEVE.

Have your child write the words "We Believe" and draw a chair next to the word "Believe."

ASK YOUR CHILD:

1. How do you accept Jesus, God's gift?
2. What does it mean to trust in something?

God said you could accept his gift by believing. Believing simply means to trust. Remember the chair. When you sit in a chair, you put all your weight on it. You trust that it will hold you up. That's what it's like to believe in, or to trust in, this gift. To accept the gift that God gave you, you believe that God sent Jesus to die for you so that you can have a relationship with him forever.



WE RECEIVE.

Have your child write the words "We Receive" and draw a gift next to the word "Receive."

ASK YOUR CHILD:

1. What do you receive?
2. What does it mean to receive eternal life?

John 3:16 tells us that we receive eternal life. That means we get to spend forever and ever with God in heaven – a perfect place! And once you receive this gift, it can never be taken away. There is nothing you can do to lose your place in God's family.

JUST FOR PARENTS

Remember, a relationship with God is not about being good enough or praying a perfect prayer. It's about believing Jesus died on the cross for your sin and came back to life.

If you have never made this decision, now is the perfect time.

After all, you can't lead your child somewhere you haven't been. The decision to trust Jesus and follow him is the single most important decision you will ever make. We encourage you to pray in your own words and tell God you believe what Jesus did for you. Here is a sample prayer as a guide:

God, thank you for loving me so much. I believe Jesus died for my sins. I believe he came back to life. Thank you for loving me so much and giving me Jesus so I can have a relationship with you forever. Amen.

If you have any questions or would like to talk to someone at Northpoint about putting your faith in Jesus, we'd love to hear from you! Just email us at upstreet@npaustin.com