

Exploring God's Plan for My Salvation









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The worst news of all?





From the beginning, God wanted to be close to people. He wanted to care for their needs and show them love. Sadly people started making bad choices that made God sad and moved them away from Him. Everyone has done something bad.

We call those bad things sin.

Why do you think people do bad things even when they could get into trouble?

Think about what happens when you don't obey your parents or teachers. You usually get into trouble because they want to protect you and keep you from making bad choices. God wants to protect you too. When you disobey Him, it separates you from Him and all the good things He has for you.

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Find these verses in your Bible and fill in the missing words.

For the wages of sin is	, but	For	has	
the gift of God is			all fall short of	_
through Christ Jesus our			glorious standard.	
Romans 6:23 (NLT)			Romans 3:23 (NLT)	









GOD LOVES YOU MORE THAN THIS MUCH!

"But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners."

Romans 5:8 (NIT)

Grab your Bible and look up the verses below. In the boxes provided, write down important words that describe God's love for you and others. You can also draw pictures showing what these verses say about God's love.

JOHN 14:21

EXAMPLE:

- Christ never sinned
- Jesus was the offering for my sin

EPHESIANS 2:8-9

JOHN 3:16

JOHN 1:12



We believe that Jesus died to pay for our sin. When we receive this free gift of salvation, our life changes. As we obey God and His Word, we can stop doing the things that are wrong and don't please God. We can ask for His forgiveness when we mess up. Salvation is the best gift ever! Do you want to receive the free gift of salvation?

Let's start by using the space below to list some things you need to ask Jesus to forgive.

Jesus forgive me for



We can be a Christian because Jesus died on the cross and took the punishment for our sins. This is the only way that we can be forgiven for the wrong things we have done. When we accept Jesus as our personal Savior and tell Him we are sorry for our sin, He forgives us.



"If you openly declare that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved."

Romans 10:9 (NIT)



showing love to others):

Below is an activity to walk through salvation with your child. Ask your child the following questions. Once completed, use the answers to fill in the coordinating blank on the next page. Then, read the prayer together as a way for your child to personally talk to Jesus.

1.	I would describe Jesus as (example: kind, loving, powerful):
2.	I'm thankful for:
3.	I felt loved by Jesus (example: when I was scared, when I prayed):
4.	Something I've done wrong (example: lied, was mean):
5.	When I did something wrong I felt (example: sad, bad, sorry):
6.	Something I want Jesus to help me do better (example: listening, being kind, obeying):
7.	I love Jesus because He (example: forgives me, helps me, listens to me):
8.	I want Jesus to be part of my life every day by (example: helping me make good choices,

MY BALVATION PRAYER

Dear Jesus, You are so	(1). Thank You for
-	_(2). I felt Your love when
	(3). I know when
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and I am sorry. When I do	things that are wrong, I feel
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I love You because	(7), and I
want You to be part	of my life every day by
	(8).

Jesus, thank You for loving me and dying on the cross to forgive my sins. I believe that God raised You from the dead. Today, I accept Your free gift of salvation and choose to follow You for the rest of my life. Amen.

Child's Name

Date

Because of his grace he made us right in his sight and gave us confidence that we will inherit eternal life.

Titus 3:7 (NIT)



Celebrate your child's decision with a special treat like cake or ice cream, and share the news with family and your kids pastor. Display this page as a reminder of their important choice!



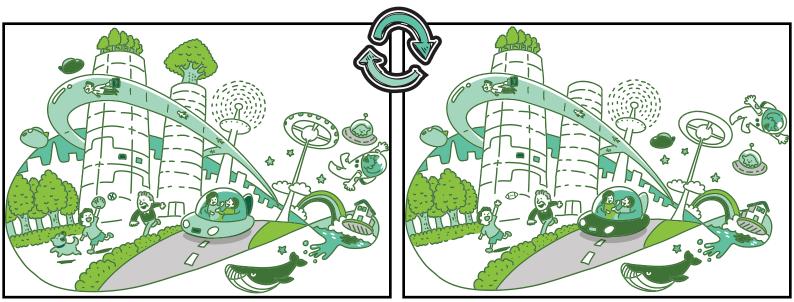


You are saved because you trust Jesus. We call that faith. The Bible says, "You have been saved, through faith" (Ephesians 2:8) and when you choose to follow Jesus, some things will change.

Things will be <u>different</u>.

SPOT THE DIFFERENCE GAME

- Look at Both Pictures: You'll see two pictures that look almost the same, but there are 8 differences between them.
- 2. Circle the Differences: Use a pencil or marker to circle the 8 differences.
- 3. Have Fun! Enjoy the challenge and see how quickly you can find them all!



* Answer key found on last page

We've been looking for differences between two pictures. Just like those pictures are different, our lives should be different when we decide to follow Jesus. The Bible tells us that when we're saved, we're made new—and that means we'll start to act, think, and see the world differently. Think about some ways you've been living, acting, or thinking before following Jesus—that's the "Old Me." Then, think about how Jesus can help you live differently now—that's the "New Me."

Take a few minutes to write or draw about your "Old Me" and your "New Me."









That is what you are now! The salvation prayer you prayed is the beginning of a lifetime journey that isn't just words, but a life change that leads you on a beautiful journey with Jesus. You are a disciple, which means you are a lifelong follower of Jesus.



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WATER BAPTISM

We get baptized in water, because that's what the Bible teaches us to do after we have decided to follow Jesus. Jesus was baptized in water, so we follow His example in baptism too. This also shows others we have decided to follow Jesus.

(Matthew 3:13-17)

CHURCH

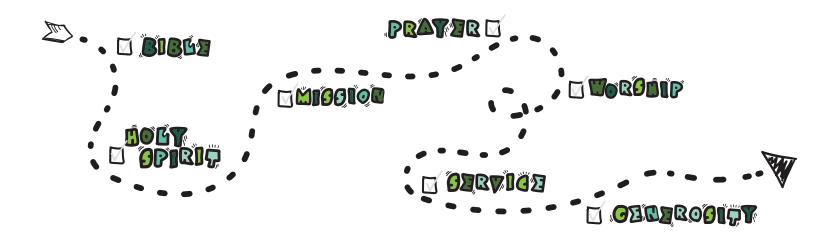
Church is the place that we come to each week to learn about Jesus and be with others who believe in Jesus. Talk with an adult in your life about how your family can make being at church a regular part of your week.

DISCIPLESHIP

Discipleship is learning how to follow Jesus. Have you ever played Follow the Leader? It's the game where you copy every move the leader makes. Following Jesus is kind of like that. Let's talk more about this below...

To help you on your discipleship journey, the next pages offer 7 ways for you to grow as a disciple of Jesus. Work on one page at a time. As you finish each page, come back here to mark off your progress. When you're finished, celebrate!

This won't be the end, but just the beginning of following Jesus for the rest of your life. You're going to do great! Jesus is happy you chose to follow Him.



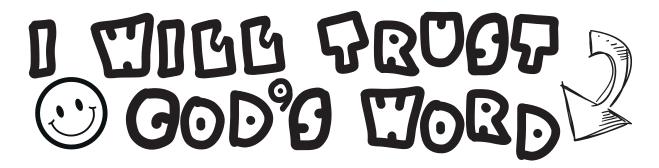


Want to help your child understand more about water baptism? Connect with your kids pastor and request the My Big Book-Baptism resource available through KidminRoadmap.com



As a disciple you should love and understand the Bible, God's Big Story. The Bible is one way God talks to you. You can trust it and obey it.

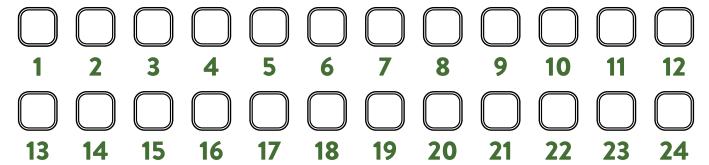
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From beginning to end, the whole Bible tells the story of God's plan to rescue us from sin. It points to Jesus as our Rescuer. Reading His Word helps us to know *Him* more.

Start by reading the Gospel of Luke. Use the boxes below to keep track of each chapter you read!

LUKE





How do you plan to use the Bible to become more of a disciple of Jesus?







Each Make a Plan section helps your child take practical, personal steps to grow in their faith. Encourage small, realistic goals that fit their unique journey, building habits that reflect more of Jesus over time.



Disciples who follow Jesus learn to understand that the Holy Spirit is God. They are beginning to learn how to hear God's voice, sense God's presence, and exercise their gifts.

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You can ask for power from the Holy Spirit for life and to serve God. The Holy Spirit also helps you become more like Jesus. Read Galations 5:22-23. Find the 9 ways the Holy Spirit helps you be like Jesus, then circle them in the word search.

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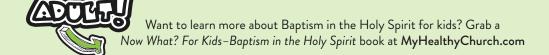
Set a timer (you choose how much time) and spend that time asking the Holy Spirit to give you power to live like Jesus. You may hear the Holy Spirit talk to you! Write what He says below.



How do you plan to become more of a disciple of Jesus with the help of the Holy Spirit?









God has a uniquely designed plan for each of His disciples. He wants you to share your faith, discover your purpose, and care for others.

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GOD GREATED ME POR A PURPOST

You have people in your life that need to hear about how awesome Jesus is. In Matthew 28:19, Jesus commands us to "Go and make disciples of all the nations." That means all people!



Who are the people in my life that need to know about Jesus?

How can I tell or show others about Jesus?



How do you plan to discover your unique purpose as a disciple of Jesus?







Disciples learn to connect to God through prayer, which is talking to God, listening to God, and telling God how you feel and what you need, expecting Him to answer you.

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Here is an activity to help you start an everyday prayer time with God. Read each section and then write or draw your prayer below.

STOP

Stop to worship and thank Him.

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PAUSE

Listen to what He is saying to you.

REPENT

Tell God you are sorry for your sin and ask Him to help you be made new.

ASK

Tell Him what you need and ask for His help.

REJOICE

Be happy because God has heard you and loves you.







How do you plan to make time to pray this week?







As a disciple you experience God as you sing to Him in worship, showing how much you love Him and want to obey Him. God deserves your worship because of who He is.

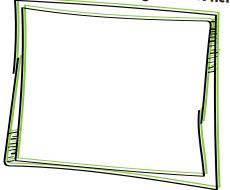
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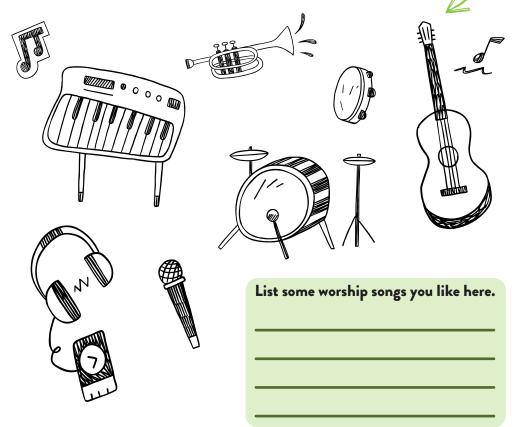
Worship expresses our love to Jesus. When you worship with music, it's okay to close your eyes, raise your hands, sing loudly, move around, or even be still and quiet. You can play an instrument, listen to a favorite song that worships Jesus, or even just sing your own song with no music at all.



Is your favorite missing? Draw it here!









How do you plan to worship Jesus this week?







As a disciple you understand the importance of serving and know that God has a plan of salvation for anyone who asks so they can serve Him and each other.

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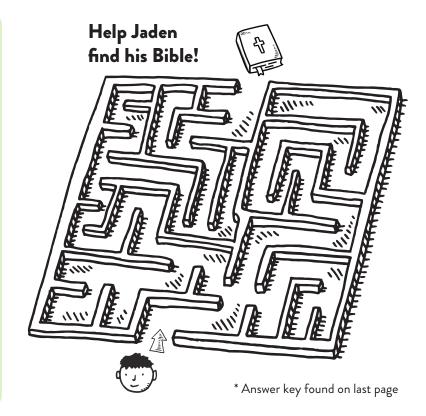
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Ask an adult this question and write their answer below.

"What skills do I have that can help others?"

Will you use what you have to help others?
At home, church, school, or
around your neighborhood?





How do you plan to become more of a disciple by serving someone this week?



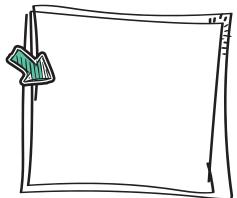




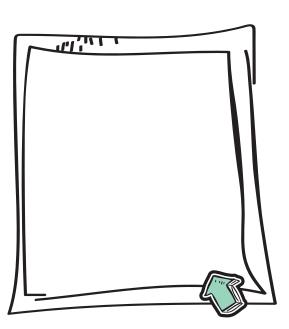
Disciples learn to have a heart of compassion for all people that leads to generosity and learn to freely share possessions and God's love with others.

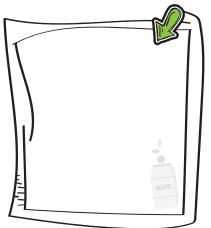
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A great way to disciple your children in generosity is through Boys and Girls Missionary Challenge. Find out more at **bgmc.ag.org**!



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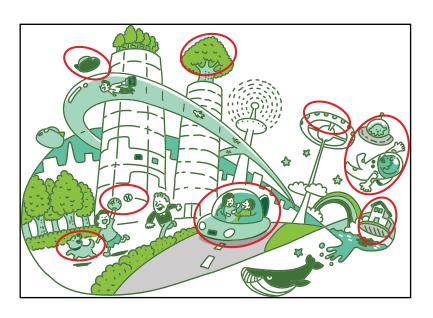
Following Jesus isn't something you finish—it's a journey you keep growing in every day! This page lists some important milestones in your discipleship journey. Each time you experience one, come back and write it below. There are even blank spaces for you to add your own!

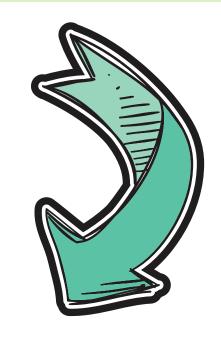
Memorize a Bible verse	Obey my parents even when it's hard
What verse did you memorize?	What made obeying hard?
Pray for someone else	Show kindness to someone who wasn't kind to me
Who did you pray for?	Who did you show kindness to?
Helped someone in need	Use my talents at church
How did you help?	Did you sing, greet people, or help with church service?
Invite someone to church	Trust God when I feel afraid
Who did you invite?	What made you afraid?
Write your own	Write your own

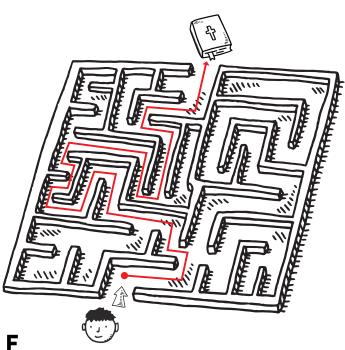




Great job making it to the Answer Page! Here you can check the answers for the puzzles and games from the book. It's like solving the final piece of the puzzle!







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As you go through this journal, you might have questions—and that's a great thing! Use this space to write them down so you can talk about them with a trusted adult, like a parent, pastor, or leader. Asking questions is part of growing in your faith!

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