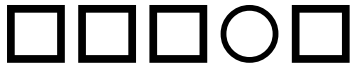


6. Jesus is ____ today because He rose



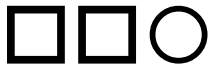
7. Angels and God live in ____



8. God hates ____ because it is bad



9. To know God is to have ____



10. Jesus was ____ in a stable



11. ____ died for you on a cross



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9 10 11



Have you ever done something wrong to someone—you might have ignored them or said something mean to them—and then they got mad at you? Maybe it was your parents or a school teacher

and the result was that you got punished. One lesson that you might have learned is that doing something bad leads to punishment.

The same is true with God. God is the One who created you. He cares about you and wants you to be happy. But unlike each one of us, God is perfect. He has never done anything wrong. This means that God is holy.

We disobey God by lying or stealing or thinking bad thoughts about another person. The Bible (which is a lot of letters that God has written to us so that we can get to know Him better) calls this sin. God has told us a



lot of things to do that are good for us and a lot of things not to do because they are bad for us. When we disobey God we are pushing Him away from us and we deserve to be punished. Unfortunately, all of us have done this many, many times and so each one of us has earned so much punishment that we can never pay for it all ourselves.

But because God loves us He was willing to be punished in our place! To do this He first was born as a baby. He was helpless and relied on His parents to take care of Him. His name was Jesus Christ. Then He grew up and



all of the time He always did what was right.

When He was an adult He was accused of doing something that was not true. The result was that He was nailed to a large wooden cross. While He was suffering on that cross He paid the full punishment of all of the things that you ever have and ever will do wrong (your sins). Then He died.

But the good news is that three days later He was made alive again and 40 days later He went into Heaven where He is right now.



But you need to do something. Suppose that your parents or a good friend bought you a really nice present and gave it to

you. You have two choices:

1) you can say “no, I don’t want it” and walk away

or

2) you can accept that gift and make it your own.

The same is true with God’s gift to you. His gift is called salvation and He is called the Savior (someone who saves). He is saying, “I paid the penalty for your bad behavior and thoughts. I have saved you from a punishment that you can never pay. All that you have to do is accept that gift.”

“For by grace [God’s free favor] you have been saved through faith; and not of your own doing, it is the gift of

God; not as a result of your good deeds, that you should not boast.” – Ephesians 2:8-9

But God is not holding anything out in front of you that you can see so how do you accept this gift? You accept it by faith. Faith is believing what you cannot see but which God has told you in the Bible is true. You can accept this gift by praying something like this:

“God, I know that I have done some bad things. I know that I deserve to be punished for them. But You became a person just like me and then You paid for my sins by dying on a cross. I want to make You my Savior right now.”

Once you have done this then you should get a Bible that is easy for you to read and read it every day. You should talk to God a lot of the time about what is going on in your life—that is called praying. And you should do what God tells you to do; that is how to have joy in your life.



This is the best gift that you can ever get!

Would you like to know more? We'd love to help! Please contact us.



Can you find the following words in this puzzle?

Jesus	Son	Bible
Is	Sin	Father
God	Grace	Spirit
Love	Savior	Joy
Angel	Life	John

MJESUSISGOD
 SONPTRMARAB
 IHBIBLEVANL
 NNKRJOYICGI
 LYJIMVCOEEF
 EFATHERRPLE

The Best Gift



Everyone likes to receive gifts. But there is one gift that is the best of all. To find out what that gift is start by doing this puzzle. Write the answer to each question in the shapes below. Then take the letter in the circles and write each on its line at the end of this puzzle. This will tell you something that is true. You can find the answers highlighted in the text.

1. Something that is not right is ____



2. Jesus hung on a ____



3. ____ created you



4. God's letters to us is called the ____



5. Because God is ____ He cannot sin

