

Adventures with GOD!

GOD PROVIDED A SAVIOR (A.2.Spring.13)

Biblical Reference	John 3:14-16
Key Verse	John 3:16
Key Concept	God loved us so much he sent his son Jesus to save us
Educational Objectives	At the end of class today, children will be able to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Name the Son of God. 2. Recite today's Key Verse. 3. Make an invitation for other children

Life Application

God's love is so great, that God sent Jesus to live in the world for our sins so we can have eternal life through his sacrifice. Explain to children that we have received the gift of eternal life God offers us through Jesus Christ. Everyone has to decide for themselves what do with the gift of salvation. During the week, encourage parents to help children understand the need to invite Jesus Christ to dwell in their lives.

Possible Activities and Class Plan

Activity	Materials	Time
Opening Prayer	Candle	1 minute
Bible story	Bible	10 minutes
Craft	Popsicle/craft sticks, crayons, colored paper	15 minutes
Verse	Bible, crayons	15 minutes
Craft	Scroll sheet, crayons, pencils	10 minutes
Closing Prayer	Candle	1 minute

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INSTRUCTIONS

Opening Prayer

Gather children around a candle, and explain that we are entering into a special time with God. Encourage the children to hold their hands out in front of them, palms up, as a sign they are ready to receive what God has for them today. Light the candle.

Prayer: God we light this candle remembering: you made light, you made us, and you are with us now. Amen

(For safety sake, you may wish to extinguish the candle after the prayer.)

Bible Story: Discuss how sin in our lives leads us to disobey God, but we can receive forgiveness because God sent Jesus, his Son, to be our salvation.

Explain that we are all dirty by sin, but because of God's great love for us, God sent Jesus to cleanse us from our sin. Take this time to talk about Jesus. Children may have questions. Sometimes we think that children at this age are not ready or do not understand what this means, but encourage conversation about the work of Jesus even in the lives of children.

Craft: Children can color the illustrations on pages 3, 5, and 6. You can get creative by using sticks, paper plates, and string for mobile, etc. You can also have children share their stories about Jesus and what he means to them.

Verse: Take a few minutes to talk about our sins and how God forgives us because we are cleansed by Jesus. Children can color the illustration and recite the verse found on page 4.

Craft: Children can create an invitation using the scroll found on page 5. Children can use the invitation to either invite other friends to Sunday school, or to invite Jesus into their hearts.

Closing Prayer

Gather children around the candle again and light the candle.

Prayer: Thank you God for loving us, for sending your son Jesus into the world.

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Illustration

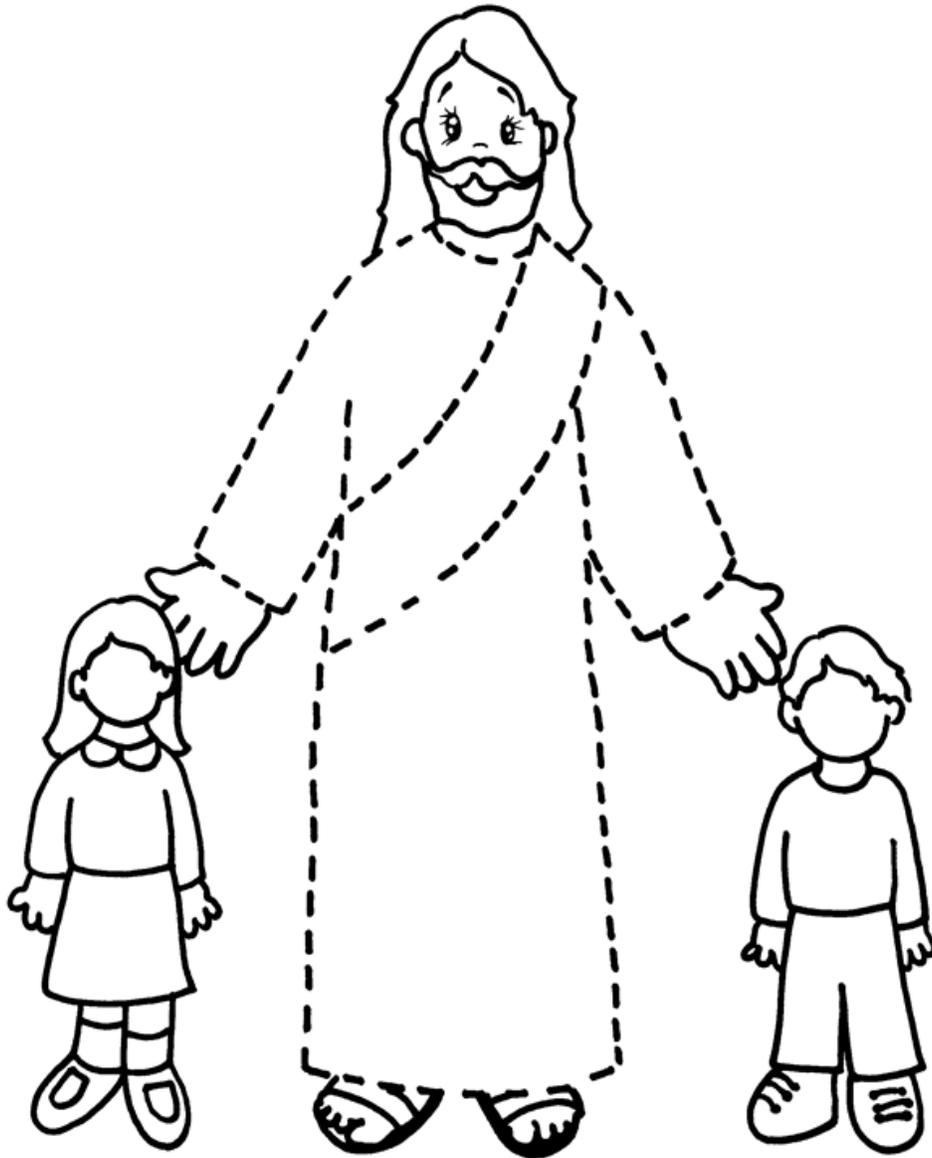
Jesus, Our salvation



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CRAFT

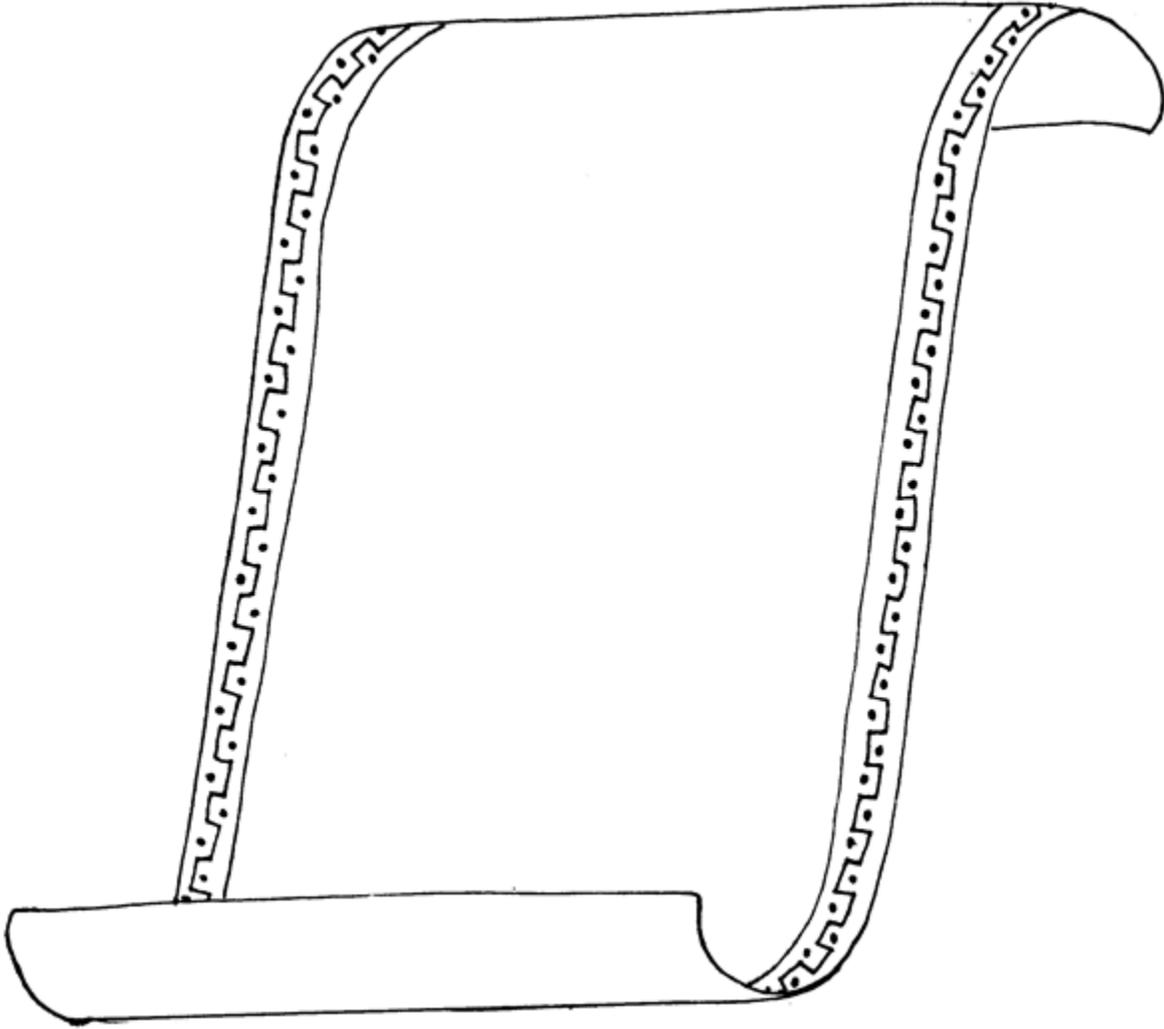
Follow the dotted lines with pencil and color



“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.” John 3:16

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The Cross

