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JESUS WAS CRUCIFIED

Matthew 27; Mark 15; Luke 23-24; John 19-20

HOW IS JESUS THE PERFECT KING? JESUS PERFECTLY RULES OVER THE UNIVERSE AS THE KING OF KINGS.

After Jesus was arrested and put on trial, soldiers took Jesus to the governor's palace. They took off His clothes and put a scarlet robe on Him. They made a crown of thorns and put it on His head. Then they hit Jesus and mocked Him. "Hail, King of the Jews!" they said.

The soldiers nailed Jesus to a cross. Then they cast lots to decide who would get His clothes. They made fun of Jesus by putting a sign above His head that said: THIS IS JESUS, THE KING OF THE JEWS.

As Jesus was on the cross, people passed by and mocked Him: "If You are the Son of God, come down from the cross!" Some said, "He saved others, but He cannot save Himself!" they said.

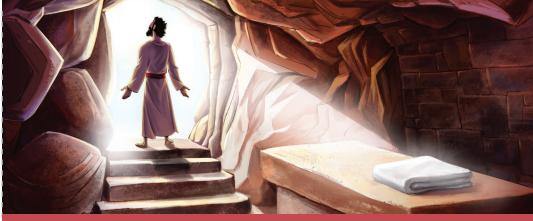
From noon until three in the afternoon, darkness covered the land. Then Jesus cried out, "My God, My God, why have You abandoned Me?" Jesus cried out again with a loud voice, "It is finished!" Then Jesus died. Suddenly, the curtain in the temple sanctuary split in two, from top to bottom, and there was an earthquake.

Jesus was buried in a rich man's tomb cut into a rock. A stone was sealed in front of the tomb and Roman soldiers stood guard so that no one could steal Jesus' body.

Christ Connection: We deserve to die because of our sin, but God loves us and kept His promise to send a Savior. Jesus never sinned, but He died in our place. Now those who trust in Him have forgiveness through his blood and are no longer separated from God.



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JESUS WAS RAISED

Matthew 27-28; Mark 15-16; Luke 23-24; John 19-20

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On the third day after Jesus' death, Mary Magdalene went to Jesus' tomb. She saw that the large stone at the entrance had been moved away.

Mary ran to Simon Peter and John. "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and I don't know where they have put Him!" she said.

Peter and John ran to the tomb. The cloth that had been around Jesus' head was folded up. John believed that Jesus was alive.

Mary went back to the tomb and cried. When she looked inside, she saw two angels sitting there. They said to her, "Woman, why are you crying?"

"Because they've taken away my Lord," she said. Then Mary turned around. Jesus stood in front of her, but she did not recognize Him.

Jesus said, "Who are you looking for?"

She replied, "Sir, if you have taken Jesus away, tell me where you've put Him and I will go get Him."

Jesus said, "Mary."

Mary realized who He was and said, "Teacher!"

Jesus sent Mary to tell the other disciples that He was going back to the Father. Mary did what Jesus said, and she told the disciples, "I have seen the Lord!"

Some of the guards from Jesus' tomb told the religious leaders everything that had happened. The leaders got together and made a plan. They gave the soldiers money and told them to lie about what they saw.

Christ Connection: Jesus died on the cross for our sins, but He didn't stay dead. God was pleased with Jesus' sacrifice and raised Jesus from the dead on the third day to reign as King over all creation. Jesus provides salvation from sin and the promise of eternal life.