

GOD THE SON PAID REDEMPTION'S PRICE



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Hebrews 9:11-12; Romans 3:24; 1 Corinthians 1:30; Colossians 1:14; Galatians 4:4-5; Titus 2:13-14

BIBLE VERSE: EPHESIANS 1:7

In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace.

BIG IDEAS

- The Son died in our place.
- The Son offers us forgiveness.
- The Son covers us in grace.

BIBLE STORY: LUKE 23:26-49; ROMANS 8:31-39

Jesus came to the earth, sent by God the Father, to live the perfect life that man could not and to die the death that man deserved. Jesus was crucified for man's sin, suffering and dying on the cross in our place. He paid the price that we all owe, and God accepted His death as fulfillment of our sin debt. Because of Him, we can have forgiveness and eternal life.

THE STORY

The Story is the good news of the gospel. All of Scripture tells the Story of God the Father's work to redeem a people from the power of sin through God the Son so that they might live for His glory through the power of the Holy Spirit. During this series we will explore the four main movements of the Story of God, and our response to the life-altering Gospel Story!

BIG AIMS



Every child should know that:

- God is the author, subject, and hero of the gospel story
- Salvation comes by grace alone, through faith alone, in Christ alone



Every child should strive to:

- Describe the gospel message through Creation, Fall, Redemption, and New Creation
- Memorize the Bible verse each week



Every child should feel:

- Brokenness over the depth of our sin against God
- Joy in Jesus, our Savior and King



Every child should want:

- To study the Bible so that they can better understand God's story of redemption
- To share the gospel story with those who are separated from God in their sin

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THE GREAT FORGIVER

Use a dictionary to define the word “forgive”. Help your preschooler think of different times when we might give forgiveness and when we might need forgiveness. Use sidewalk chalk to write these times down on your driveway or sidewalk. Talk with your preschooler about how we all need to be forgiven for our sins and God the Son paid the price to offer us forgiveness when He died on the cross.

DISCOVER IT: *(Use the passage to illustrate the Big Truth.)*

Luke 23:36-49; Romans 8:31-39

THINK ABOUT IT: *(Use the commentary to reinforce the Big Truth.)*

Man's sinfulness was a rebellion and rejection of God. God is a just and holy God and He cannot ignore our sin against Him. Our sin requires a payment and that payment is death. In order for our sin to be atoned, or paid for, a perfect person must die. The reason that death is necessary is because death is the penalty, or cost of our sin. God said so in the very beginning in Genesis 2:16-17. Death would be the result if man sinned against God---physical death and spiritual death. No man or woman is perfect because we all are born with a nature, or will that is set on disobeying God. God knew this and He sent Jesus, His Son, to pay our sin debt. Jesus could pay our sin debt because He lived the sinless life that we could not. This made Him perfect. Luke tells us in his account of Jesus' crucifixion that Jesus willingly went to the cross and died in our place. Jesus was beaten and suffered greatly on our behalf. He hung on the cross for many hours and when it was time, He breathed His last breath. He did all of this for our sake and on our behalf. God looked at Jesus on the cross and counted His death as enough to atone for our sin. Now, because of Jesus' death, we have the offer of forgiveness for our sin. This means that when we repent of our sin and believe that Jesus died for us, we are forgiven for our sin. God no longer holds us accountable for it. We are set free and can live for God's glory!

TALK ABOUT IT: *(Use the questions to discuss the Big Truth)*

- Why do we need a redeemer? (We are all sinful and unable to save ourselves.)
- How does Jesus offer us forgiveness? (He paid our sin debt on the cross and He offers us forgiveness if we repent and believe.)



Help your child memorize Ephesians 1:7 by using shaving cream and a cookie sheet. Cover the cookie sheet in shaving cream and use a small paint brush to write the words of the verse. Say the words together as you write them and then say the verse together several times.



As a family, go shopping. As you walk around in a store, point out the prices of things you are buying or might buy. Use a calculator to add up the cost of everything. Talk about how much the items would cost. Ask your preschooler if he or she has the money to buy everything. When they don't, talk with them about how we couldn't pay for our sin, either, but God did it for us by sending His Son.



As a family, create a thank you card to Jesus. Help your preschooler decorate a card and then write a prayer of thanksgiving to Jesus for paying for our sin debt. Talk with your child about how Jesus paid our redemption price and made a way for us to be forgiven.



Place two glasses of water on the table. In one glass place food coloring or some other substance to make it dirty. Ask your preschooler which glass of water they would use to wash away dirt. When they point to the clean glass, remind them that the clean glass is like Jesus. He was sinless and was the only person who could pay our sin debt. The dirty glass is like us because we are all sinful.

Each night before bed, pray with your child to understand his or her own need for the redemption Jesus offers.