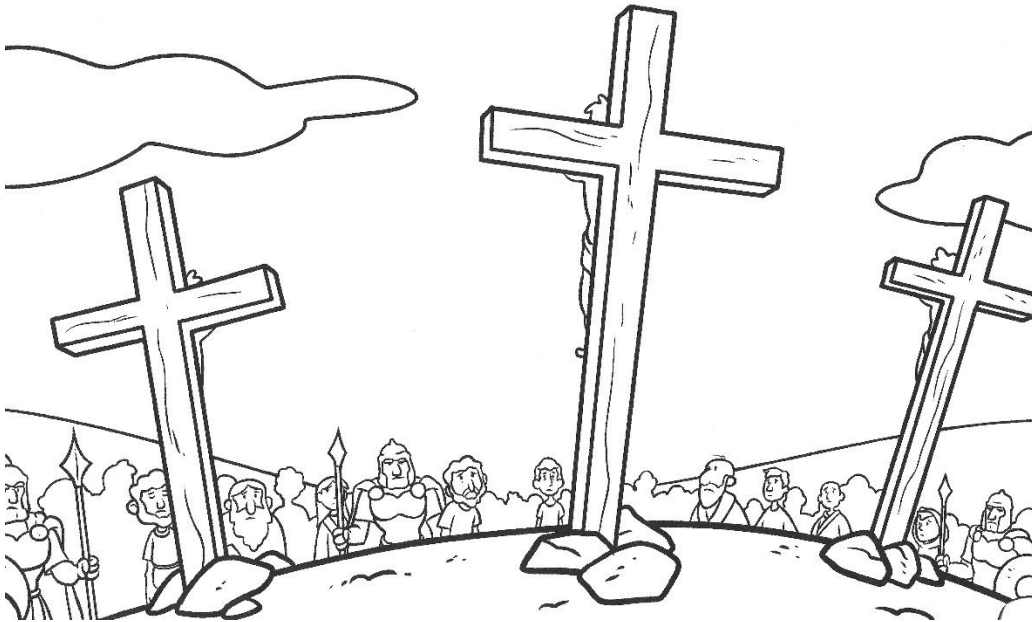


4. The Reconciling King: Jesus death means we can be

friends with God

because he takes the punishment our sins deserve.

Pray with your grown-up thanking God for the amazing victory of the cross. Colour the picture to remind you.



Today's passage is sad to read and it looks like lots of things are

falling (going wrong) but

we're also going to see that actually what is happening will lead to the greatest

victory ever.

First let's look at the things that look like they are going wrong:

1. The Joke King: The

soldiers and religious leaders make fun of Jesus.

2. The Powerless King:

Jesus needs help to carry his own cross.

3. The King who can't

save himself: Although Jesus has done

lots of miracles,

he can't seem to get himself down from the cross.

4. The abandoned King: Jesus is

completely alone,

separated from his Father.

BUT...

Our passage also helps us to see the amazing good that the cross actually did:

1. The

Kingdom

Established: The cross is the only reason any of us can be part of God's kingdom.

2. The

Powerful

King: Jesus didn't stay dead. He has power over death!

3. The Saving King:

Jesus' death means we can have our sins forgiven.

Thank

you

Jesus

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