

## Activities:



God's love is deep and wide. It is bigger than anything you can imagine. Show children a ruler. What things can we measure with this? Can we measure God's love with this? Have children take turns holding their pointer finger and thumb apart near the bottom of the ruler and ask them to catch it as soon as you let go of it. Measure what inch number they catch it at. Does God care if you caught it at 3 inches or 9 inches? He doesn't care how quick or smart or talented you are. He just loves you, because He is love, and His love can't be measured.

Have a child hold a paper at each of the top corners. Hold the two bottom corners. When an earthquake happens, the earth shakes and pulls apart in different directions. Pull bottom corners of paper in two directions. The paper ripped from the bottom to the top. The temple curtain wasn't ripped by the earthquake. Show children a model or picture of the ark. The place behind the curtain was called the "Holy of Holies." It used to have the ark of the covenant before it was taken. People had to bring their sacrifices to the temple priest, but were not allowed behind the curtain. They could not come close to God. Hold the second paper by the top two corners while a child holds the bottom two corners. Rip the paper from top to bottom. Only God could rip the curtain in this way. By Jesus' death on the cross, He was inviting all of us to come close to Him. There is no longer anything blocking us from God.

***UPPER***

***ELEMENTARY***

## Activities:



Copy the sin cards onto red paper and cut out. Hand one to each child to write on the back. As a group, name sins they might do (lying, cheating, talking back, hitting, kicking, etc.) Have each child write a different sin on their paper. When the tenth plague came to Egypt, the Bible says God sent an angel of death, who passed over the homes that had the lamb's blood on them (that's where the holiday gets its name: Pass-over). Take toy knife and pretend to be the angel of death. Instruct each child to put their paper over their head when you get to them. ("What is your sin? Lying!!! You deserve death for this-- but wait! I can't kill you. You have the lamb's blood covering you. So I will pass over you.")

Make a cross out of brown construction paper and tape it to the wall. Have each child tape their red paper to the cross, one by one. Jesus took all our sins on Himself when He was on the cross.

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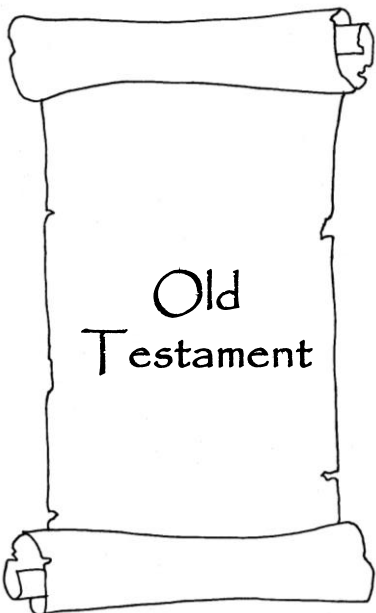
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# Draw Lines to Match



**Passover Lamb**

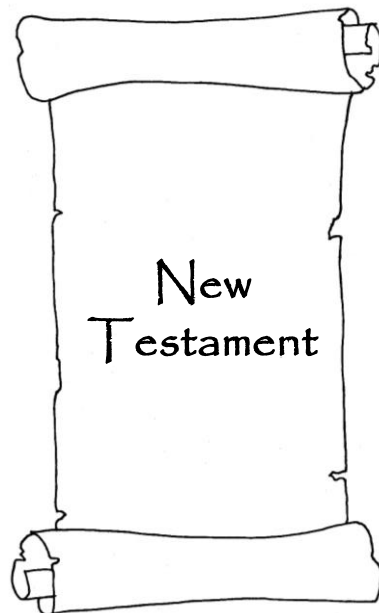
**Lamb of God**

**High Priest from the  
tribe of Levi**

**Jesus as High Priest**

**Curtain separating  
Holy of Holies from  
people**

**Holy Spirit in  
people's hearts**



# CRUCIFIXION



**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

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CRUCIFIXION

CROSS

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CYRENE

CROWN

THORNS

PSALM

DAVID

JESUS

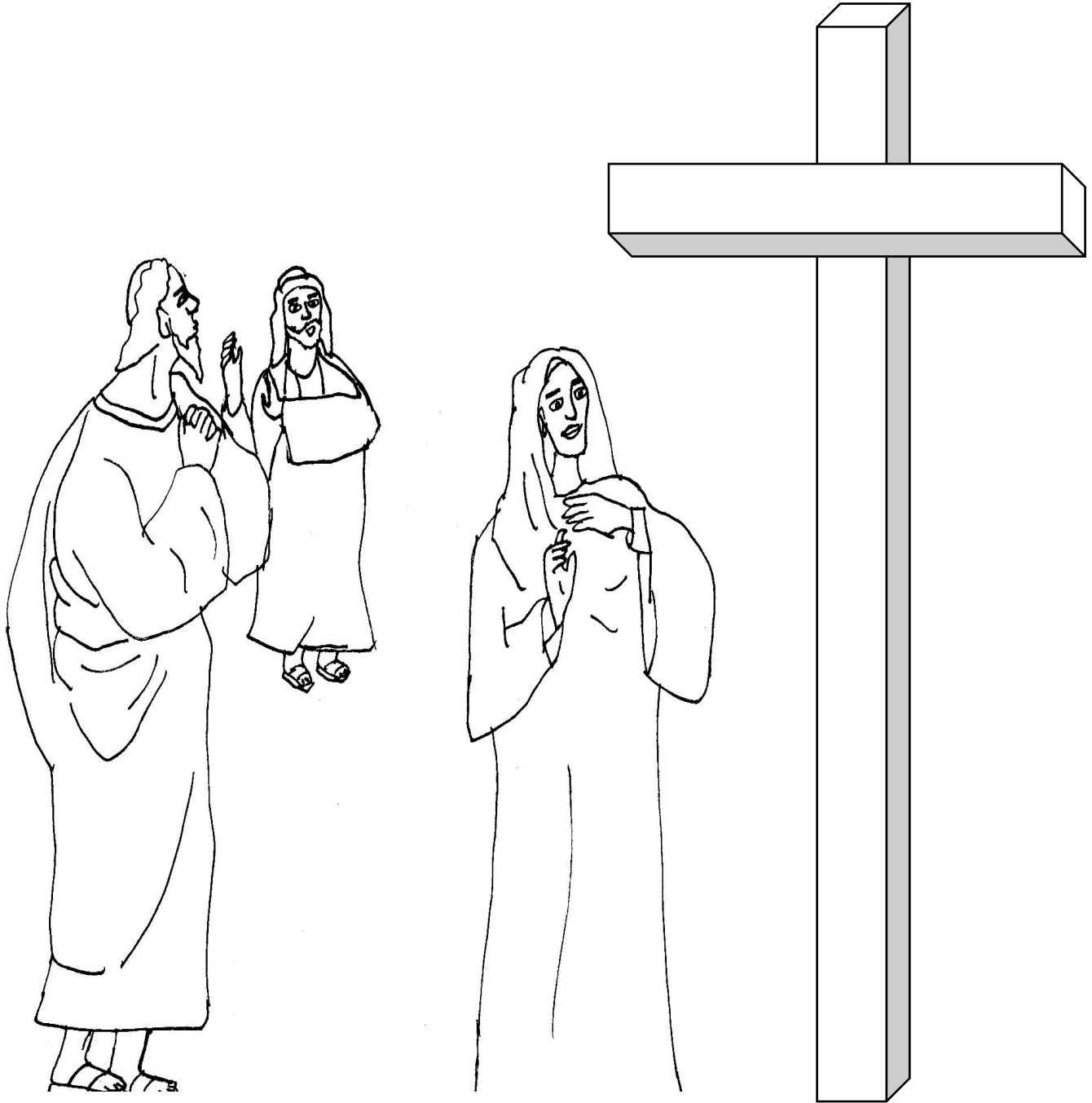
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# **Lower Elementary**

# Crucifixion

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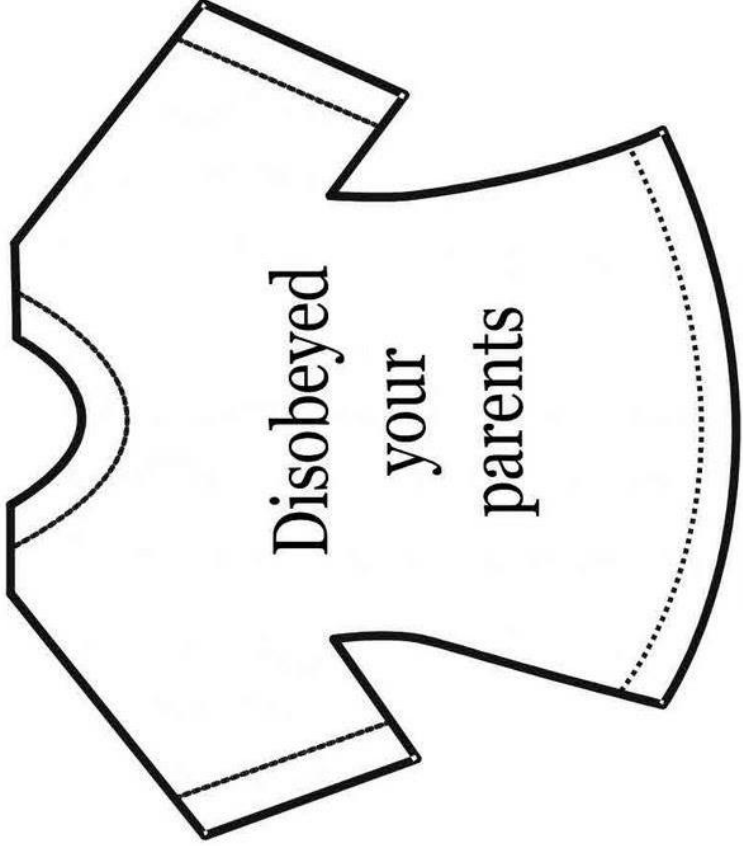
**God loved the people of this world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who has faith in him will have eternal life and never really die.**

**~ John 3:16**

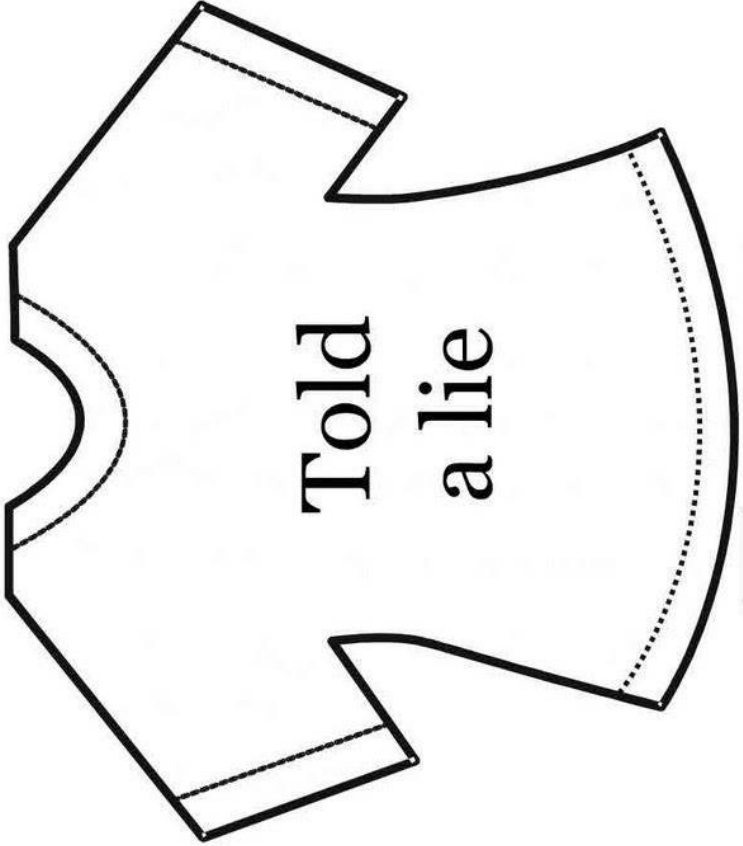


- ❖ Children color and cut out shirts
- ❖ Children glue strips of brown construction paper to make cross
- ❖ Children glue shirts onto front and back of cross
- ❖ Discuss how Jesus “wore” our sins on the cross





Disobeyed  
your  
parents



Told  
a lie

**Preschool**

## Coloring Page:

Encourage children to draw Jesus in the heart. Talk about how much Jesus loves them.

## Modeling Dough:

Encourage children to make a heart. Talk about how much Jesus loves them.

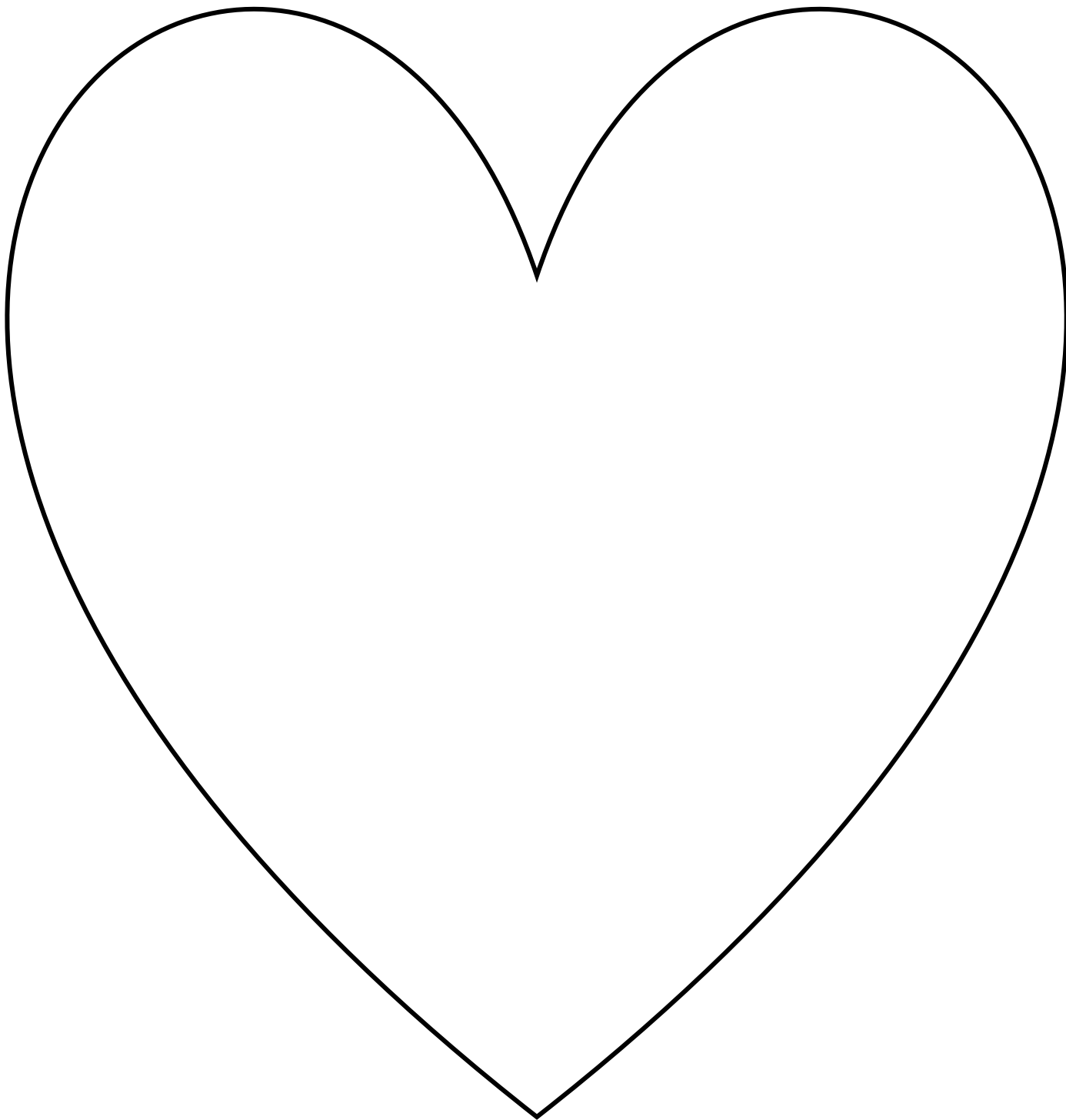
## Games:

Make a giant cross out of blocks on the floor. Use all remaining blocks to stack on top of it, making it as tall as possible.

# Crucifixion



**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_



**Jesus came to rescue us.**