

Jehovah Rocks:

Being near You is so nice, Yahweh. You make me feel safe and happy. (Psalm 84:1)

See It:

'The Lamb that was slain from the creation of the world!' (Revelations 13:8b)

On It:

This week, we are going to be looking at Jesus' death. Now you would think we would start at the gospels for this... but we are going to go all the way to the last book of the Bible instead. Why? Because this is such an important subject that we want to show you that it was not an accident of history. Jesus' death was not like Martin Luther King Jr. getting assassinated because of racial hatred. It was not even an issue of the Pharisees and the Romans and the Sadducees all suddenly ganging up on Jesus to get Him killed. Nope, Jesus' death was the plan from the creation of the world. Wow, that's an intense plan. Now some people are offended when Christians say this fact. People of other religions are sometimes 'OK' with Jesus being a prophet. But once you start saying that He died on the cross for their sins, they freak out! They say there is no way that Jesus died on that cross and that this was the plan for salvation. And yet, the Bible clearly teaches that without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins (Hebrews 9:22). These confused people figure that if Jesus died, then it doesn't matter what they do to earn their way to Heaven, it isn't enough (which is true - they cannot earn their way to Heaven!). But what they don't realize is, that Jesus, the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world, died 'on purpose', fulfilling a plan that is billions of years old.

Live It:

You are gradually learning the doctrine throughout the year, but for the next eleven days a new doctrine will be given just for you to read. Our

doctrines are important because they tell us and others what we do and don't believe about the Bible.

Do It:

Can you recite the first five books of the New Testament?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

In It:

Thank You that You are more than a prophet and that You are our Saviour!

Eat It:

'May God Himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.' (1 Thessalonians 5:23) Memorize this verse this week.

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read Isaiah 4-5, Psalm 115-116, & Jude

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Day 2



Jehovah Rocks:

Please continue to show Your love to me and to help me to know that I am saved. (Psalm 85:7)

See It:

'When the soldiers came to the place that was called "The Skull" they nailed Jesus to a cross. They also nailed two criminals to crosses, one on each side of Jesus. Jesus said, "Father, forgive these people! They don't know what they're doing.'" (Luke 23:34)

On It:

Have you ever forgotten to do something in the heat of the moment? Maybe mom asked you to pick up your dirty laundry, but your friends came over and you rushed out without thinking of it? Jesus was beaten for hours, forced through mock trials, paraded through town to the killing field, and then hammered on to a cross of wood, naked in front of a crowd of sick spectators who thought it would be fun to watch. And what is the first thing Jesus does? What He came to do - take away our sins. As soon as He gets nailed to the cross, He calls on His Heavenly Father (God the Father) to forgive. And He wasn't just talking about the soldier or the mockers. He was talking about you, and us, too. Hallelujah! His Father had asked Jesus to do something, and even though things were pretty heated for Him that day, Jesus followed through. Thank You, Jesus!

Live It:

We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by inspiration of God, and that they only constitute the Divine rule of Christian faith and practice. This means we know that everything in the Bible is true and from God, and that we should follow what it says.

Do It:

Give away some of your lunch to someone who needs it today.



In It:

Help me to love You, Jesus, like Abba does.

Eat It:

 1 Thessalonians 5:23

'May God Himself.' God is the only one who can do this. There is no one else. You cannot do it. Your family cannot do it. The Salvation Army cannot even do it. Only God can do it.

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read Isaiah 6-7, 2 Chronicles 26-27, & Philemon

Week 27

Day 3



Jehovah Rocks:

When You are in charge, love and faith are together, and right behaviour and peace are like best friends, close together. (Psalm 85:10)

See It:

'Then the criminal said to Jesus, "Remember me when you come into power!" Jesus replied, "I promise that today you will be with Me in paradise." (Luke 23:43)

On It:

Jesus continued His saving mission even while dying slowly on the cross. The one criminal showed a godly sorrow for his sins and demonstrated a faith in Jesus that He would be exalted to power. And Jesus saved him! He promised him, "Today you will be with Me in paradise." Hallelujah! There were seven 'sayings' of Jesus on the cross. That was the second one. The third is this: 'When Jesus saw His mother and His favourite disciple with her, He said to His mother, "This one is your son." Then He said to the disciple, "She is now your mother."' (John 19:26-27) Jesus, hanging on the cross, is thinking of His mother and her despair. So, He connects her with John, joining them together and extending the community.

Live It:

We believe that there is only one God, who is infinitely perfect, the Creator, Preserver, and Governor of all things, and who is the only proper object of religious worship. Basically, God rocks, and we worship Him alone.

Do It:

Talk to someone at school about the Bible today. Tell them what it means to you and why you read it.

In It:

You are the King of kings, the Lord of lords, the God of gods!

Eat It:

1 Thessalonians 5:23
'The God of peace.' Our God is the God of peace. He is the one who gives peace – what Jewish people call 'shalom'. Shalom suggests more than just a ceasefire. It kind of means 'fullness'. Our God is the God of fullness. Memorize this verse.

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read 2 Kings 15-16, Hosea 1, & Hebrews 1



Week 27

Day 4



Jehovah Rocks!

I want to be near You and live with You in Your home forever! I want to be kept nice and safe with You.
(Psalm 61:4)

See It:

'Then about that time Jesus shouted, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have You deserted me?"' (Mark 15:34)

On It:

Now this next point is one that might puzzle you for 90 years or so but hang in there. God the Son is forsaken by God the Father. God the Son put the sins of every person in the history of the world on Himself (1 Peter 2:24), and God the Father turned away! The Godhead had been perfectly close forever and for the first time in eternity there was a gap. And it wasn't because the Holy Spirit decided to go to visit a different galaxy on vacation or something (not that this would separate the Godhead!). It was all of history's sins against God separating God the Father from God the Son. Ok, this is the best way I can think to explain it. Imagine being with your best friend who you love to hang out with, but then suddenly, they start feeling sick... really sick... so sick that... oh, no... yep, they threw up! And you look away. You still love them, but you can't look at them until they are back to being clean! Well, this is kind of what happened. Jesus was hanging onto all the world's sin and God couldn't watch. This is gigantic! And it was this sacrifice by Jesus that made it possible for our sins to be forgiven.

Live It:

'We believe that there are three persons in the Godhead-the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, undivided in essence and co-equal in power and glory.' Okay, so God the Father, Jesus and the Holy Spirit are one, and they are all equally worthy of our praise.

Do It:

Try to say a prayer once every hour that you are awake today.



In It:

Thank You God that You listen to my prayers.

Eat It:

1 Thessalonians 5:23
'Sanctify you through and through.' He is able to sanctify – or make holy – every part of our lives, including our relationships, our personalities, our characters, our thoughts, our words, our dreams, our imaginations, everything.

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read Hosea 2-5 & Hebrews 2

Week 27

Day 5



Jehovah Rocks:

Please look after all of Your children and protect us with Your love and faithfulness. (Psalm 61:7)

See It:

'Jesus knew that He had now finished His work. And to make the Scriptures come true, He said, "I am thirsty!" (John 19:28) 'Jesus shouted, "Father, I put Myself in Your hands!" Then He died.' (Luke 23:46) 'After Jesus drank the wine, He said, "Everything is done!" He bowed His head and died.' (John 19:30)

On It:

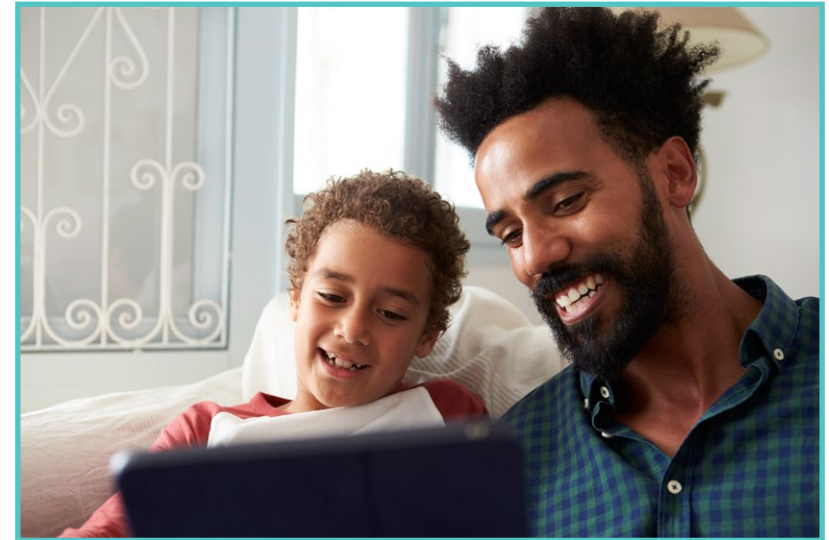
These are the other sayings on the cross. Everything is done. Mission accomplished. Now remember, the elders in Heaven worship Jesus, saying, 'you were slain, and with Your blood You purchased people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation.' (Revelation 5:9) He successfully died for each of us. Now all that is left is for us to repent, believe, and follow Him in rescuing as many people as possible from hell.

Live It:

'We believe that in the person of Jesus Christ the Divine and human natures are united, so that He is truly and properly God and truly and properly man.' Jesus is human and divine (a person and God).

Do It:

Ask someone in your family to help you memorize the verses and doctrines.



In It:

Your Kingdom come!

Eat It:

 1 Thessalonians 5:23

'Our whole spirit, soul and body.' Again, our whole lives are sanctified if we let God. It is His will for us. What God commands, God enables.

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read Hosea 6-9 & Hebrews 3

Week 27

Day 6



Jehovah Rocks:

You are powerful and You will be in charge forever and ever as our King. No one will ever be able to defeat You! (Psalm 66:7)

See It:

'The scriptures tell us that Christ died for our sins, that He was buried, that He was raised on the third day, and that He appeared to Peter, and then to the Twelve. After that, He appeared to more than five hundred of His followers at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep.' (1 Corinthians 15:3-5)

On It:

Paul is reporting this message to the Corinthian soldiers. He said it is the most important thing. Jesus did not just die. He conquered sin, and death, and defeated the devil, rising back to life again! The facts are there for the studying. We're talking about hundreds of eyewitnesses, an empty tomb, no 'confessions' of a 'cover-up' by the disciples even though nearly all of them were martyred. But it is not just because people said it happened that we believe it. Amazing and unexplainable things happened afterwards. People became totally different and transformed with the power of that came through repentance and faith. There were amazing prophecies coming true, healings and other miracles were all performed in the name of Jesus. Jesus continues to live, to intervene on your behalf, to prepare to return and wrap up all of history in divine victory.

Live It:

'We believe that our first parents were created in a state of innocence, but by their disobedience they lost their purity and happiness, and that in consequence of their fall all men have become sinners, totally depraved, and as such are justly exposed to the wrath of God.' Basically, until God forgives us, we are not perfect. We need God, or we are in big trouble!

Do It:

Ask someone in your family to test you on the memory verses and doctrines you practised yesterday.



In It:

Your will be done – today, through my life.

Eat It:

1 Thessalonians 5:23
'Be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.' It is not merely a nice warm fuzzy feeling at a meeting one-day. It is an experience of purity that is meant to last forever. He can keep us blameless through our whole lives.

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read Hosea 10-12, Psalm 73, & Hebrews 4

Week 27

Day 7



Jehovah Rocks:

*You, Yahweh, will sit in Your comfy throne forever!
And all people who will ever be born will know that You
are the powerful one. (Psalm 102:12)*

See It:

'A week later His disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. The doors were locked, but Jesus suddenly came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" Then He said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see My hands. Reach out your hand and put it into My side. Stop doubting and believe." Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen Me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.'" (John 20:24-29)

On It:

Have you ever missed a really big upset in a game? The underdog comes from behind to beat the big favourite and you missed it. It's hard to believe, isn't it? Multiply that feeling by a hundred and you might be getting close to what Thomas felt by missing the appearance of Jesus - alive - after He'd been dead since Good Friday. Jesus graciously shows up again so that Thomas can meet Him face to face. How does Thomas respond? He worships Jesus. And Jesus blesses those of us who believe even though we never got to see Him face to face. So, God bless you!

Live It:

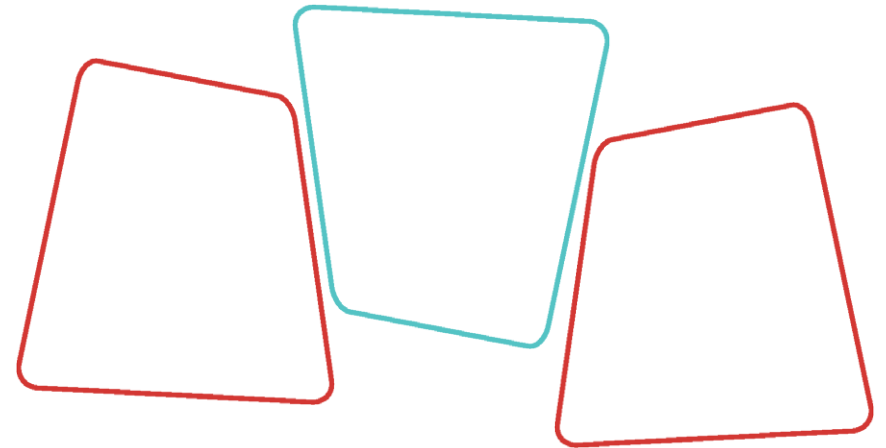
'We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ has by His suffering and death made an atonement for the whole world so that whosoever will may be saved.' So, we were in big trouble because of our sins, but then Jesus came! And because He died for us, He is allowed to take away our sins! Without our sins, we are allowed to be accepted by God!

Do It:

Make a special present for your teacher and write a prayer in an attached card for them to give.

In It:

Look over your list of people you pray for. Think of three more people to add to your list and then pray for them everyday as well.



Eat It:

'May God Himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.' (1 Thessalonians 5:23) Memorize this verse and tell it to five friends.

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read Hosea 13-14, Psalm 100, 102 & Hebrews 5a