



A Message before you start...

Hi there,

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3. Mail it back to us.

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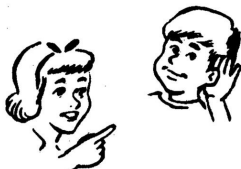
When you finish the seven lessons, we will send you a beautiful certificate with your name on it!



The Lost Kitten



Debbie and Danny were bouncing their red ball in the back yard. Suddenly they heard a tiny sound. "Listen!" Danny said. "What was that?"



The small sound came again. "It's a kitten," Debbie cried, running toward the hedge. "Let's find it."



Debbie and Danny looked in the hedge. The kitten was not there.

Danny looked in the tree near the hedge. "Here it is," he cried. Danny put up his arms but he could not reach the kitten.

Danny ran and brought a chair from the porch. He put the chair near the tree.

Debbie held the chair while Danny climbed on it. Then Danny reached up and took the kitten in his arms.



Debbie petted the soft, gray kitten. "Oh, he must be hungry," she said. "Let's give him some milk."

They took the kitten to the kitchen and asked Mother for some milk. The kitten drank the milk quickly.

Then it curled up on Debbie's lap and went to sleep.



"May we keep the kitten, Mummy?" Danny asked.

"We'll see," Mother answered. "Tomorrow we will ask the neighbours if the lost kitten belongs to them."

"It must have been lost a long time," Danny said, "because it is so thin."

"I wouldn't like to be lost," said Debbie.



Mother put down her sewing, "No, it isn't nice to be lost like the little kitten was," Mother said. "But there is another way to be lost. The Bible tells us that all who do not take Jesus as their Saviour are lost. And they cannot go to Heaven."

“God doesn’t want us to be lost, does He, Mummy?” Danny asked.

“No, Danny,” Mother answered. “God loves us. That is why He sent His Son, the Lord Jesus, into the world. Jesus came to seek and to save that which was lost.”



“Tell us about Jesus dying on the cross,” Debbie said.

“I know that. Let me tell it, Mummy,” Danny said eagerly. Mother nodded, so Danny began, “Jesus loved us so much He just had to come down and help us. He came as a little baby. When He got big, He died on the cross for us, so we could go to Heaven. But He didn’t stay dead. He rose again.”

“Yes, children,” Mother said. “God tells us in the Bible that we have all sinned. That means we have done wrong things. And sin must be punished. So, because the Lord Jesus loved us, He took the punishment for us. He died on the cross for your sins and for mine.”



Debbie spread her arms wide. “Jesus died for everybody in the whole world, didn’t He, Mummy?” she asked.

“Yes, Debbie,” Mother answered.

Danny sat quiet for a moment. Then he said, “I am glad that Jesus loves me. And I’m glad I asked Him to come into my heart.”

“I’m glad I belong to Jesus, too,” said Debbie. “And, Mummy I think the little kitten would like to belong to us, don’t you?”

Mother smiled. “Yes, Debbie,” she agreed. “I think it would.”



"He is such a little scrap of a kitten," Danny said.
"Let's call him Scrappy."



"Oh, yes," said Debbie. She held the kitten close as she added, "And, little Scrappy, I hope you will love us just like we love you."



"That reminds me of a Bible verse I want you to learn," Mother told them. "It tells us that because the Lord Jesus loves us so much, we should love Him too."

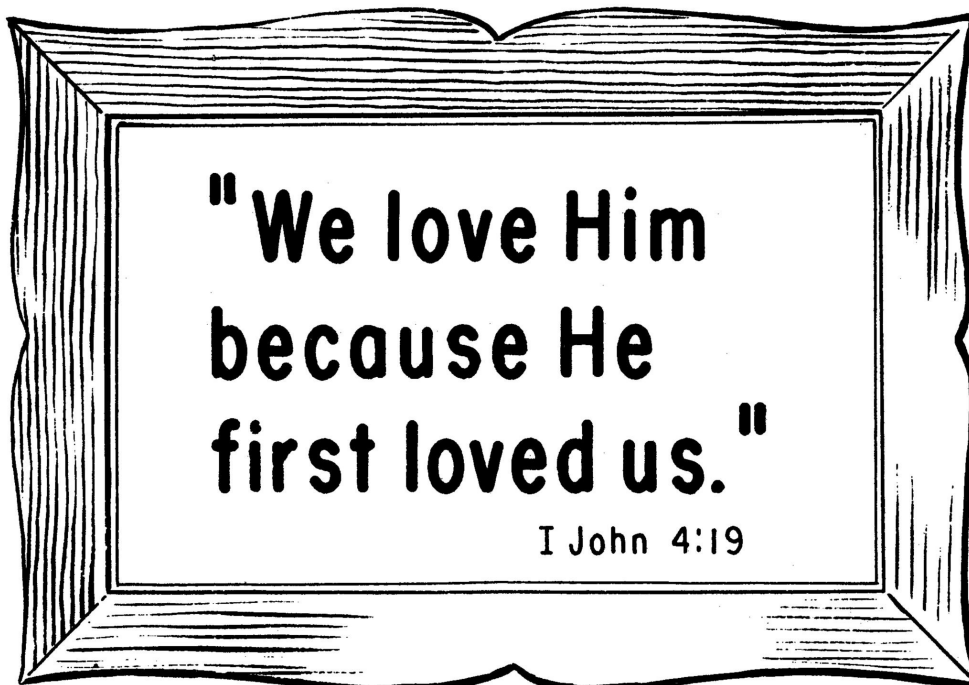


Danny and Debbie liked the verse. They learned it quickly. They they said their prayers and went to bed.



Will the children be able to keep Scrappy? Find out in the next lesson!

Here is the verse that Danny and Debbie learned. Make a pretty border around the verse with your crayons. Then put it up in your room. Be sure to learn the verse.



Our BIBLE Story

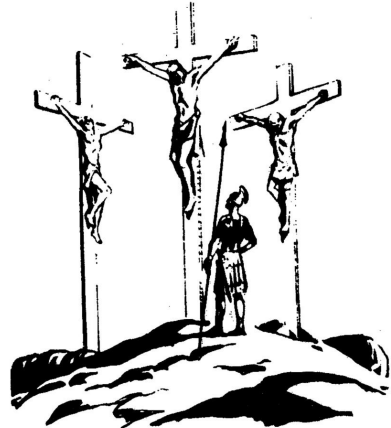


Do you know who Jesus is and why He came into the world? Jesus is God's Son. He came into the world to be our Saviour. We need a Saviour because we have all sinned.

God loved us and wanted us to be in Heaven with Him. He sent His Son, the Lord Jesus, to take the punishment for our sins. When it came time for Jesus to die for our sins, He was led away to be nailed to a cross. Two other men were also led away with Jesus to be put to death. These men had done many bad things. But Jesus had never done anything wrong.

When they came to the place called Calvary, they nailed Jesus to the cross. The other two men were nailed to crosses also. As Jesus hung on the cross, He prayed for the men who had been so cruel to Him. He said, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."

They left Jesus hanging on the cross until He was dead. Some friends of Jesus took His body down from the cross. They wrapped His body in clean linen cloth. Jesus was buried in a cave that had been hollowed out of rock. A big stone was rolled in front of the cave.



Jesus died for our sins.

Three days later, early in the morning, three women came to the place where Jesus was buried. They found that the stone had been pushed away from the grave. Just then they saw two angels. The angels said to them, "Jesus is not here. He is risen as He said He would."

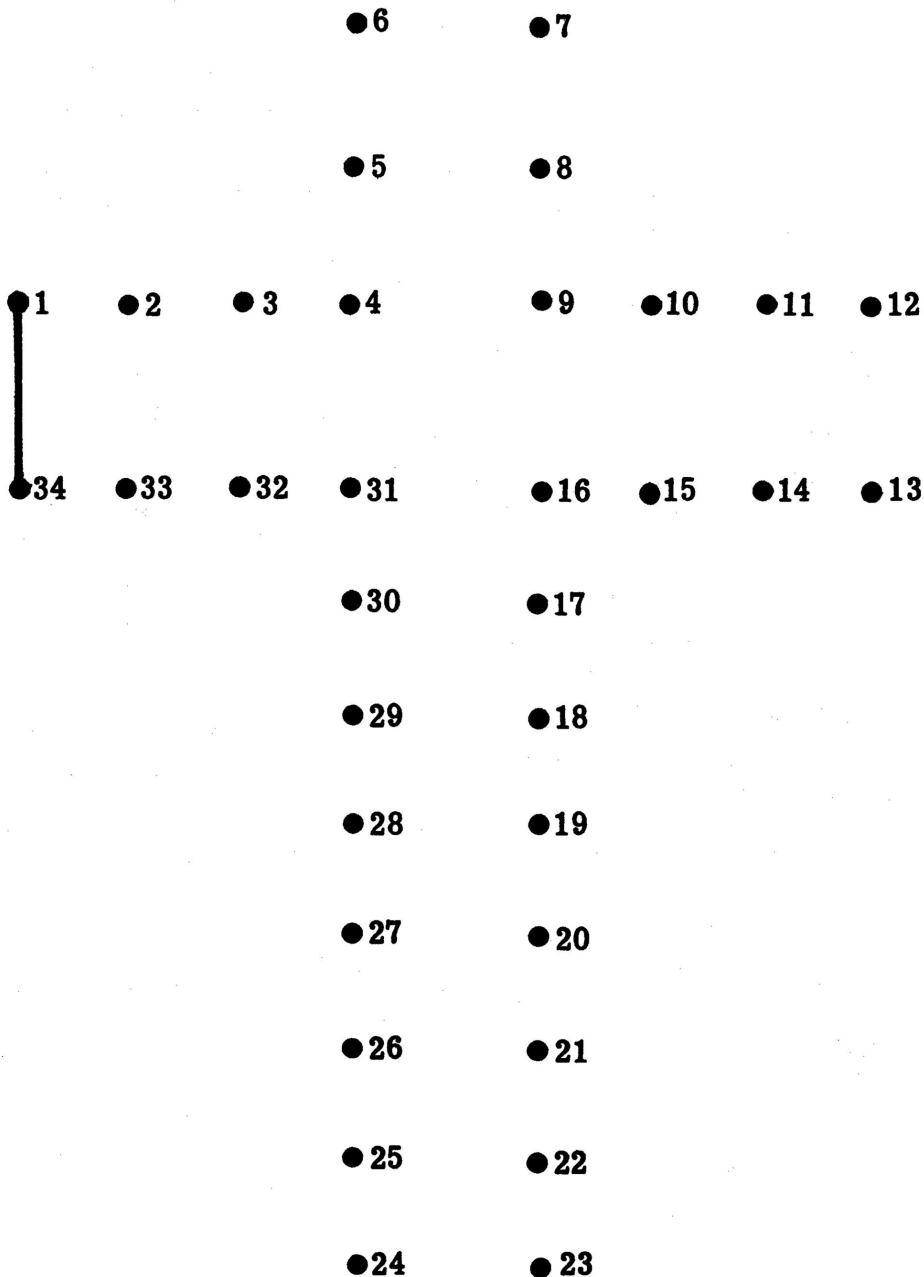


The women ran back to tell Jesus' friends that He had risen. Later, Jesus Himself appeared to His friends. They were so happy to know that He was alive again.

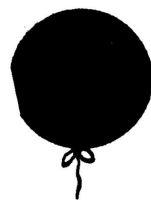
Taken from Luke 23 and 24.

PUZZLE PAGE

Start at dot 1 and draw a straight line to dot 2, and so on until you reach 34. Be sure you draw straight lines. When you have finished, color your cross red. This Puzzle Page is for you to keep.



Return answer page ONLY!



Lesson 1

Draw a circle around the right word at the end of each sentence:

1. The Lord Jesus came into the world to save people because they were **LOST** **HAPPY**
2. The Lord Jesus died on the cross for **SOME PEOPLE** **EVERYBODY**
3. When we sin we do **RIGHT THINGS** **WRONG THINGS**
4. We love the Lord Jesus because He first **LOVED US** **SAW US**

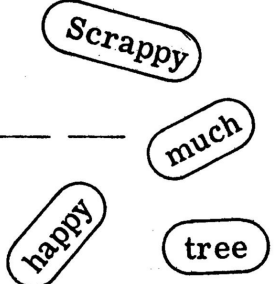
5. Now find the right word and fill in the answers below.

They found a kitten in a _____

And named it little _____

They loved the kitten very _____

It made the children _____



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My name is _____

Parent's name _____

My mailing address is _____

Town _____ State _____ Postcode _____

My Record Number is: _____

I am _____ years old. My birthday is _____ .

I am in the _____ grade. The name I like to be called is _____ .

Cut off the answer page and



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