

TRIUMPHAL ENTRANCE

"Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"



JOY & THANKS

When Jesus entered Jerusalem, people put palm leaves on the ground and shouted, 'Hosanna in the highest!' Shouting 'Hosanna' is a bit like shouting 'Hooray'.

When do you feel like shouting 'Hooray'? What are you really happy about? What are you really thankful for?

Print your hand on the paper, and if you want, you can write a thank you/Hooray prayer next to it.

LAST SUPPER

"Do this in remembrance of me!"



FRIENDSHIP

The English word 'companion' comes from the Latin phrase 'com panis' which literally means 'with bread'.

During the last supper, the night before Jesus was killed, Jesus broke bread with his companions, his disciples, his best friends!

Who are your best friends? Who is really important to you?

Let's share the bread as a group of friends, and then on the table, draw a picture of someone really important to you. Say thank you to God for that person.

GARDEN OF GETHSEMANE



WORRY & HELP

Jesus went to the Garden of Gethsemane to pray. He was worried about what was going to happen to him and he asked God to help him

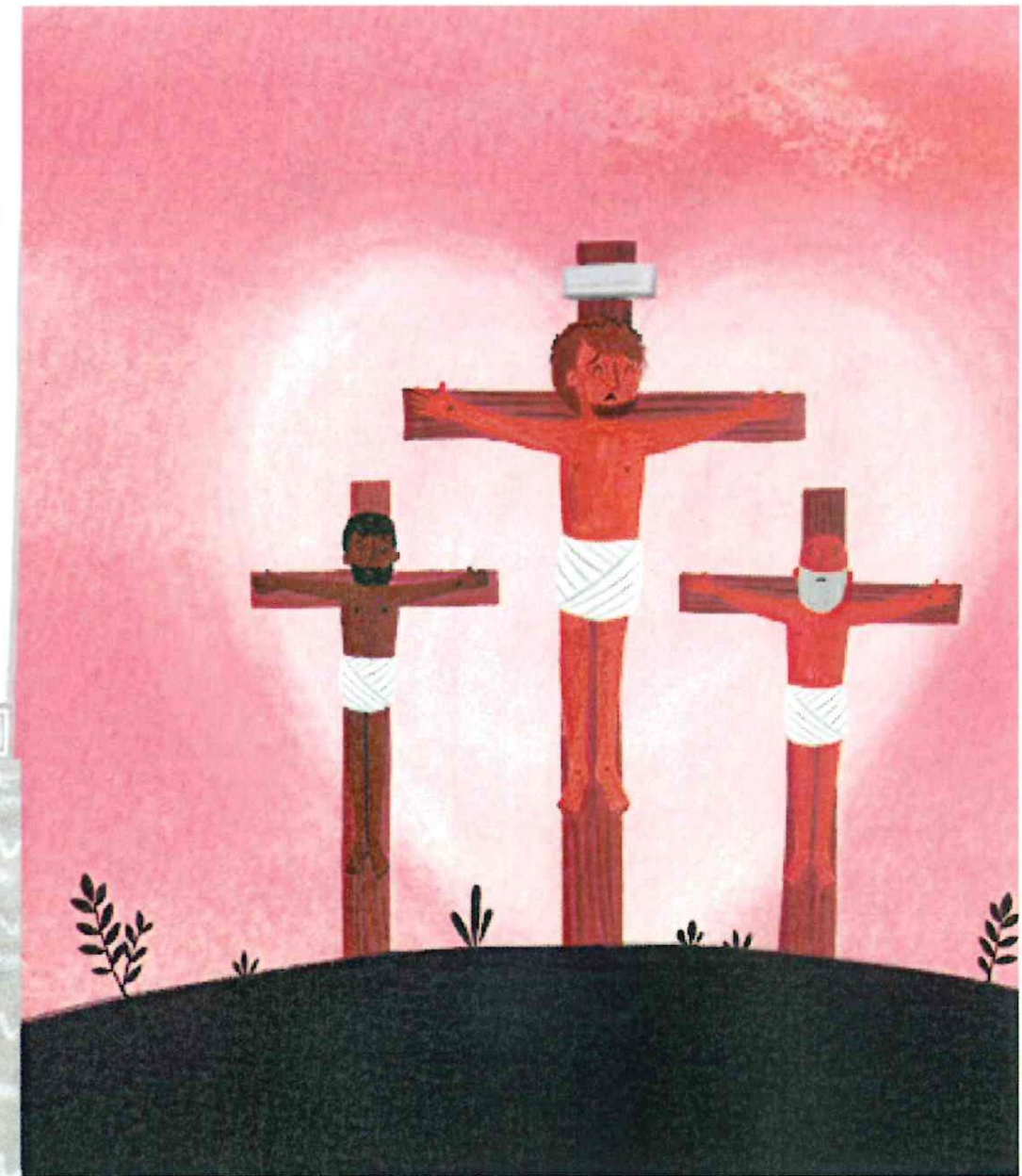
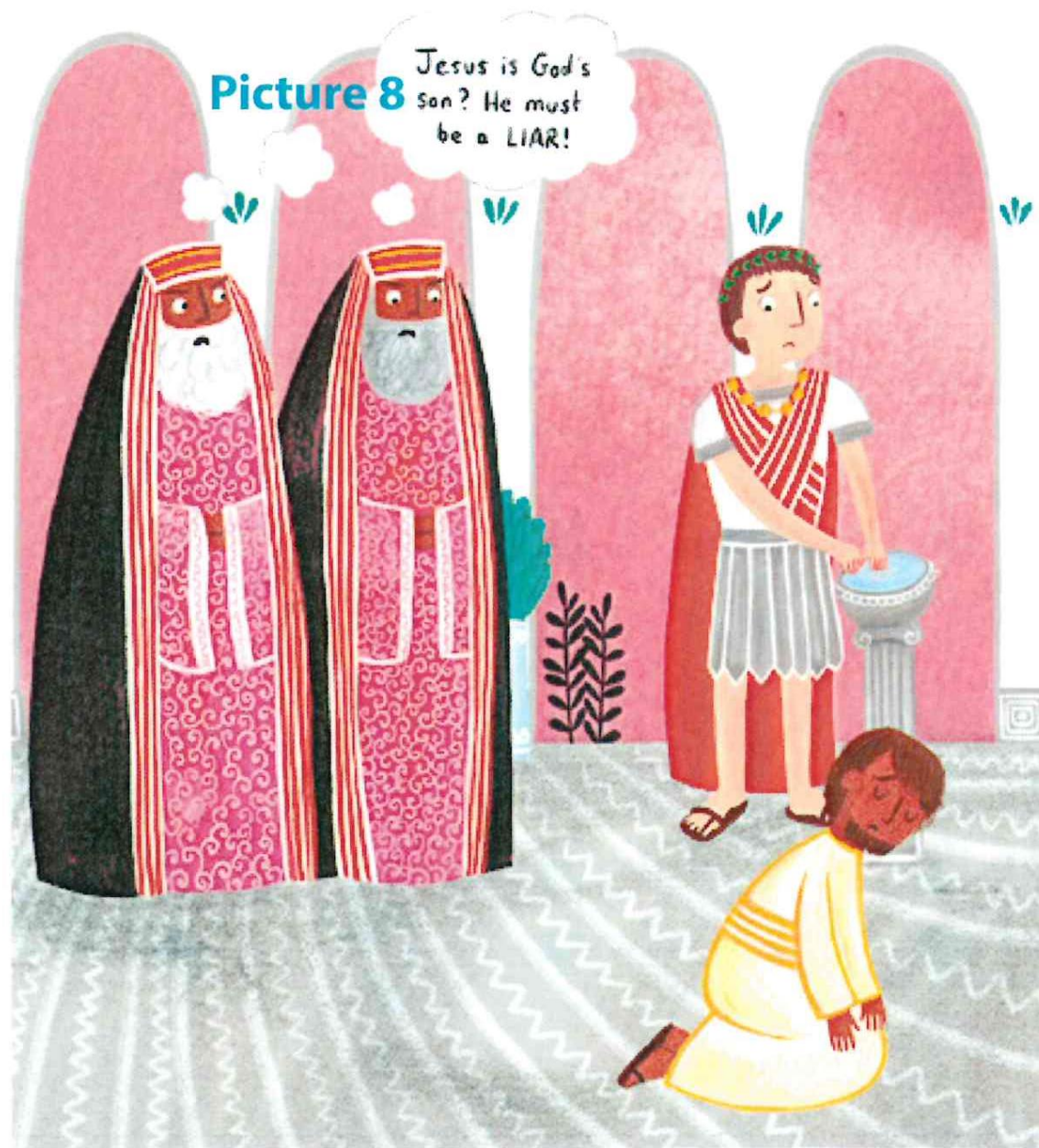
Sometimes our problems and fears feel heavy like a stone. What are you worried about? What do you need help with?

Pick up a stone and think about something you are worried about. Place the stone next to the little cross and ask God to carry the worry for you.

Think about something you would like help with. Write a short prayer for help on a lolly pop stick and plant it in the garden tray.

THE CROSS

"Father forgive them"



FORGIVENESS

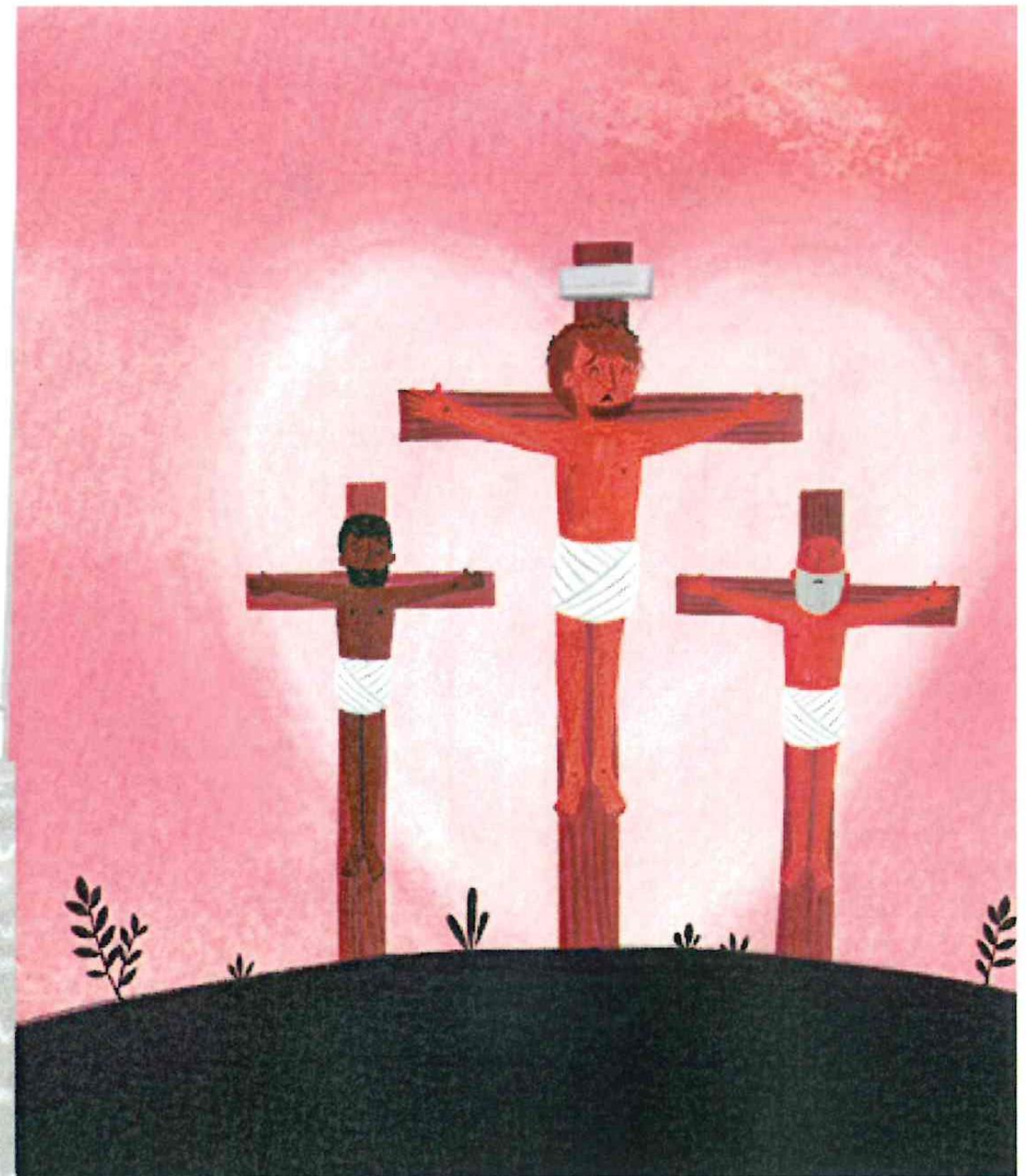
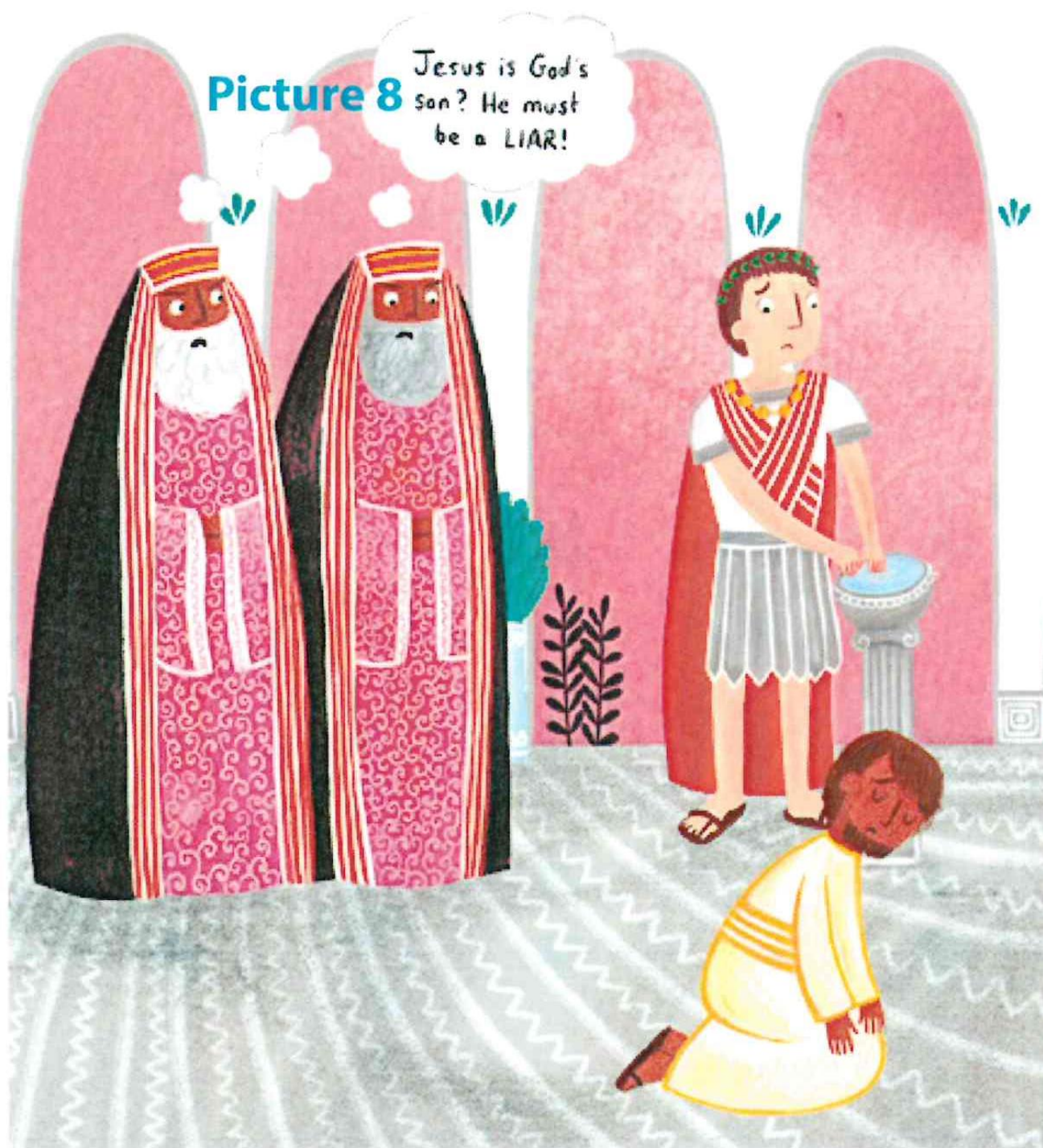
On the cross, Jesus cried out, *'Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do'*. Even as he was dying he asked God to forgive those who had put him to death.

Sometimes bad things happen, people hurt us and it is hard to let go of the pain. Think for a moment - is there anyone you need to forgive?

Pick up a tablet and think about your hurt feelings. Drop it into the water. As you watch the tablet dissolve

**imagine forgiving the person who has upset you and
the hurt disappearing.**

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SORRY

Christians believe that because Jesus died on the cross, we can freely ask God for forgiveness – we can say sorry and know we are forgiven.

We all do and say things wrong, things that we regret and wish we hadn't. What have you done or said wrong?

Make a ball out of the clay and think about something wrong you have said or done. Place it on the cross as a way of saying sorry and asking for God's forgiveness.

THE EMPTY TOMB

"He is not here, for he has risen!"



ALIVE

After Jesus died, his body was put into a tomb. Three days later, Mary Madelgene visited the tomb, and found it empty! An Angel told her that Jesus had risen, meaning he was alive!

**Take some time to look at the empty tomb.
Decorate an Easter egg with buttons to remind you of the empty tomb and that Jesus has risen!**