

*What is prayer?*



*Does God really want to talk to me?*

*Who do I pray to?*



*WHAT do I say?*



*Will God hear me?*



*Will God guide me?*



*Even answer me?*



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and where is He?

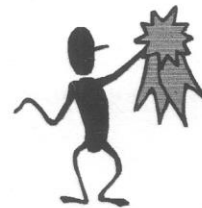
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Looks good ... but  
God's power  
is mighty to save!



Matthew 6:9-13

Jesus said, "In this manner,  
therefore, pray:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be  
Your name.

Your kingdom come. Your will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we  
forgive our debtors.

And do not lead us into temptation,  
but deliver us from the evil one.

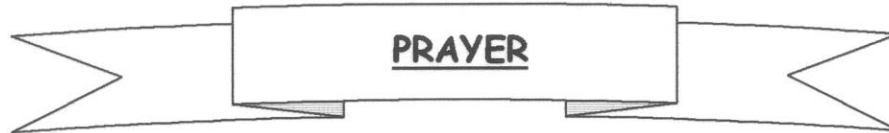
For Yours is the kingdom and the  
power and the glory forever.

Amen.



## WHAT IS PRAYER?

God has given us a way to communicate with Him. This is called



As we communicate with Him we grow to know Him better.



☺ When we know Him, we know ☺

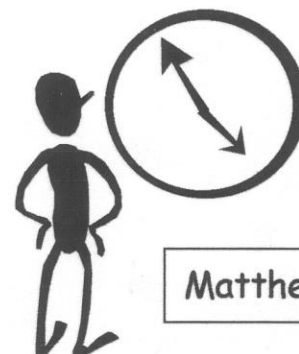
☺ what He likes ☺

☺ what He wants us to do ☺

☺ how He wants us to behave ☺

## How do we know Him?

- (a) We read the Bible to find out who He is and what He is like.      (b) We spend time on our own thinking about God



Matthew 6:6

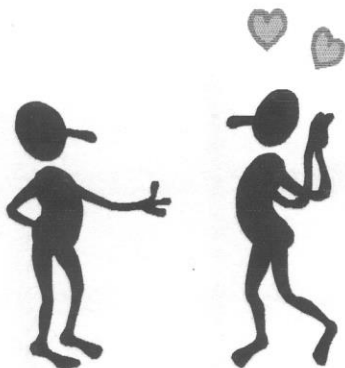
(c) We ask Him questions.



(d) We wait and listen for His answers. God is real and we can expect Him to answer us.



(e) We talk to people who love God and know Him.



All this is prayer - talking to God and listening to Him.

Prayer is having a relationship with God.



## ACTIVITY:

List 10 (or more) things you know about God's character, e.g. God is good:

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| 1. _____ | 2. _____  |
| 3. _____ | 4. _____  |
| 5. _____ | 6. _____  |
| 7. _____ | 8. _____  |
| 9. _____ | 10. _____ |

Write a short prayer telling God you would like to know Him better: \_\_\_\_\_

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## WHO DO I SPEAK TO WHEN I PRAY?

Jesus' disciples asked Him to teach them how to pray. He told them to pray to "Our Father in heaven".

Matthew 6:9

This is no earthly father who sometimes makes mistakes. We're praying to God



**The One who made  
heaven and earth  
The One who sees and  
knows everything  
The One who is the mighty  
King of all the Universe**

and Jesus said to call Him

**" Our Father "**

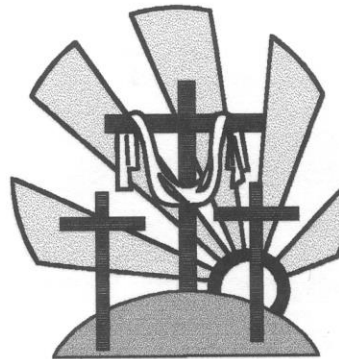
God is the Father who knows all I need. He made me and has a good plan for my life.

Plan for \_\_\_\_\_'s life  
(Write your name here)

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD,  
"plans to prosper you and not to harm you,  
plans to give you hope and a future." (Jeremiah 29:11)

If I obey Him and trust Him, He will make sure that His good plans for me will come to pass.

I can never doubt His love for me.  
His love is so great He sent Jesus  
to die for me. He took my  
punishment.



Where is God, my Father?



Jesus said He is in





What is  
heaven like?

Jesus is  
called the  
L \_\_\_\_ upon  
the throne  
(Rev. 5:6)

There is a  
th \_\_\_\_  
there  
(Rev. 4:2)

There is a  
r \_\_\_\_  
around the  
throne  
(Rev. 4:3)

There are many  
a \_\_\_\_  
there (Rev. 5:11)  
Everyone  
w \_\_\_\_  
the Lamb  
(Rev. 5:14)

There is a  
b \_\_\_\_ there  
where our  
n \_\_\_\_ are  
written  
(Rev. 20:12)

There is a r \_\_\_\_  
flowing from the  
throne of G \_\_\_\_ and  
of the L \_\_\_\_  
(Rev. 22:1)

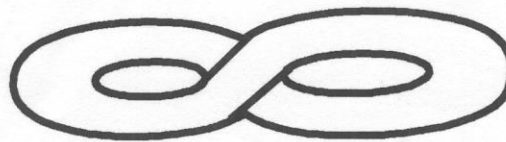
There is no d \_\_\_\_ nor  
s \_\_\_\_ nor c \_\_\_\_  
in heaven (Rev. 21:4) and  
there are no  
h \_\_\_\_ people there  
(Rev. 7:16)



Jesus told His disciples He was going to heaven to prepare a place for us and one day He would come back and take us there. (John 14:3)

The Bible tells us to think more about heaven than about what we do here on earth, because that is where we are going to spend eternity. (Colossians 3:1-2)

## ACTIVITY



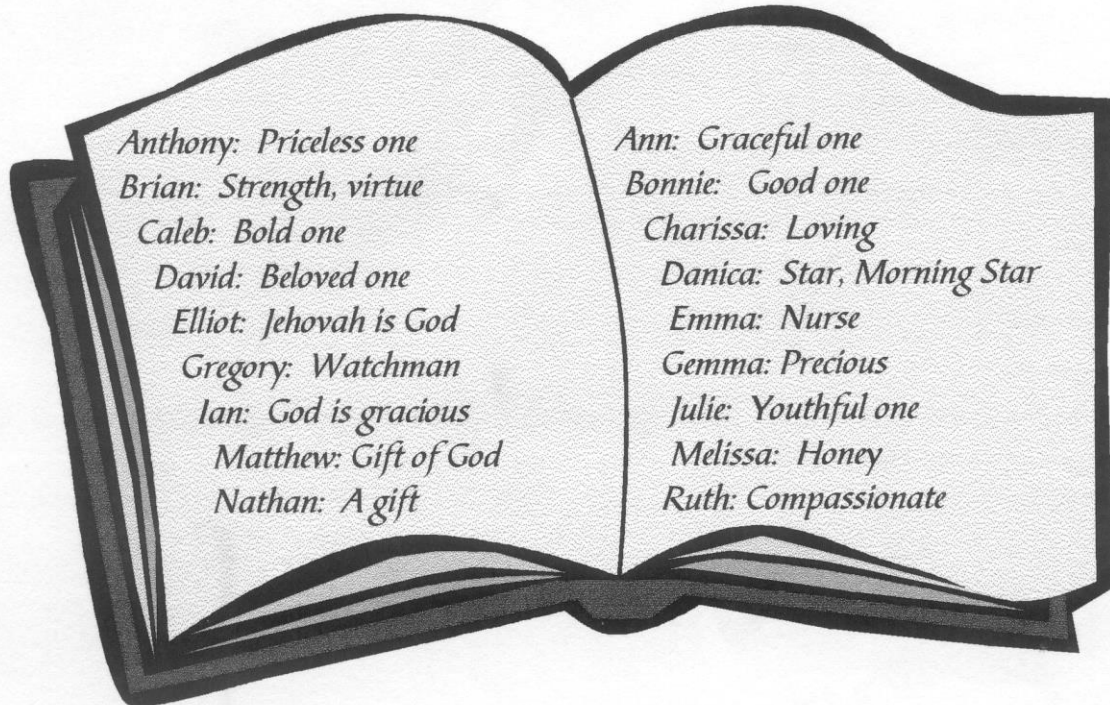
- (a) Write a letter to God and call Him "Father". Tell Him you are glad He is your Father. Ask Him to talk to you about heaven.

- (b) Read Revelation 21:10-27 about the holy city. Draw a picture or write a poem or story describing heaven. (There's room on the next two pages)



## HONOURING GOD'S NAME

Do you know that many names have a special meaning?



God has many names and each name reveals something about His character. His names tell us what He is like.

At first He told Moses His name was  
 (Exodus 3:14)

" I AM "

The people called Him Jehovah.

Then as they got to know God, He showed them what He was like.  
 Read the Scriptures given to see some of the ways He showed Himself to the people:

Genesis 22:1-14

**I AM JEHOVAH JIREH**  
**- THE LORD MY PROVIDER -**

The people learnt to trust Him  
 to provide their needs.





## I AM JEHOVAH SHAMMAH

- THE LORD IS PRESENT -

The people found that wherever they went  
God was always with them.

Ezekiel 48:35



## I AM JEHOVAH ROHE

- THE LORD MY SHEPHERD -



They discovered that God led and  
looked after them like a shepherd  
looks after his sheep.

Psalms 23:1

## I AM JEHOVAH RAPHA

- THE LORD MY HEALER -

He healed their sicknesses.

Exodus 15:26



## I AM JEHOVAH NISSI

THE LORD  
MY PROTECTOR

The Lord protected  
them in battle and kept  
them from danger.

Exodus 17:8-15



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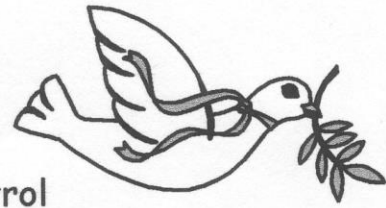
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I AM JEHOVAH SHALOM

- THE LORD MY PEACE -

There was no need to worry with God in control

Judges 6:11-24



I AM JEHOVAH TSIDKENU

- THE LORD MY RIGHTEOUSNESS -

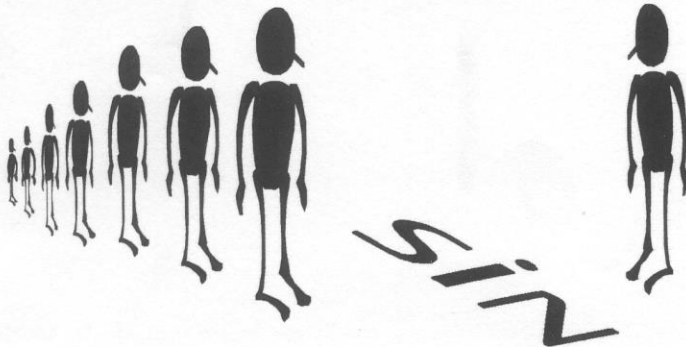
God saved His people. He sent JESUS to make us right with God. JESUS' name means

GOD SAVES

Jeremiah 23:5-6

I AM JEHOVAH KADDESH

- THE LORD MY SANCTIFIER -



Every day he led the people to be more like Himself. He called His people to be separate from sin in the world.

Leviticus 20:7-8

**He is the same God today  
as He showed Himself to be  
so long ago**



He still wants

to provide for us

to be with us

to be our shepherd

to give us peace

to heal us

to protect us

to make us right with Himself

to set us apart and make us more like Himself



He sent

Jesus

{God Saves}

Christ

{The Promised One}



### ACTIVITY

In small groups, write a name of God on a sheet of cardboard and decorate this.

Allow each small group in turn to stand before the whole group and encourage those who need to meet with God according to His character revealed in this name to come forward to these children to receive prayer

- e.g. Jehovah Shalom - encourage those who need to know God's peace at home or at school to come and ask for His peace.  
Jehovah Rapha - for those who need physical healing.

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Teachers, Parents and Children,

Please note that JEHOVAH is not an accurate translation of the name of the LORD from the Old Testament Hebrew. This form of His Name has been popularised.

In more recent times, YAHWEH has been used as the transliteration of His Name. This is more closely derived from the 4 consonants, YHWH, which is apparently how the Name appears in the original text (ie. four Hebrew consonants). The Jewish believers of Old Testament days never spoke the Name but referred to the LORD by the name ADONAI, which means Lord or Master.

In most English Bibles, the Name of the LORD, appears as LORD, that is, the four letters are all rendered in upper case or as capital letters. When the title ADONAI is translated into English, it is written as Lord, ie. 1 upper case, then 3 lower case letters.

We bring this to your attention, for information sake, but also, for reason of sensitivity and respect for Jewish believers, and in a desire to hear from God in this important issue of "What is His Name?"



## WHAT DO I PRAY FOR?

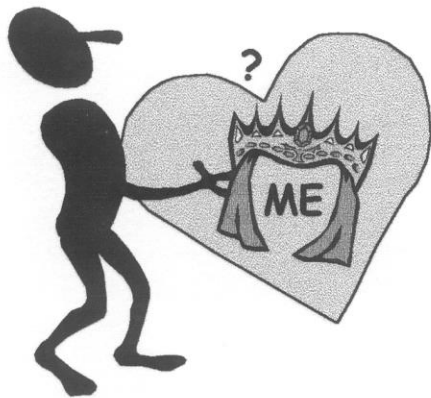
Jesus told us to pray for God's kingdom to come and for God to rule here on earth just as He rules in heaven. (Matthew 6:10)

We've already looked at His names and they've told us what kind of king God is.



When God reigns, His kingdom will reflect His character.

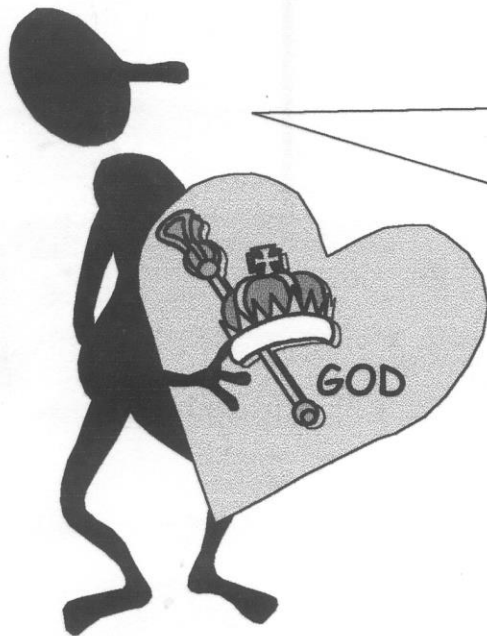
The Bible says the Kingdom of God is **WITHIN** us. (Luke 17:21)



Who is on the throne in my heart right now?

GOD wants to be there.

Let us ask Him to come and rule on the throne in our hearts.



Dear Lord Jesus,  
I ask You to come and be on  
the throne in my heart. I  
want You to rule and be in  
charge of my life.

Amen.

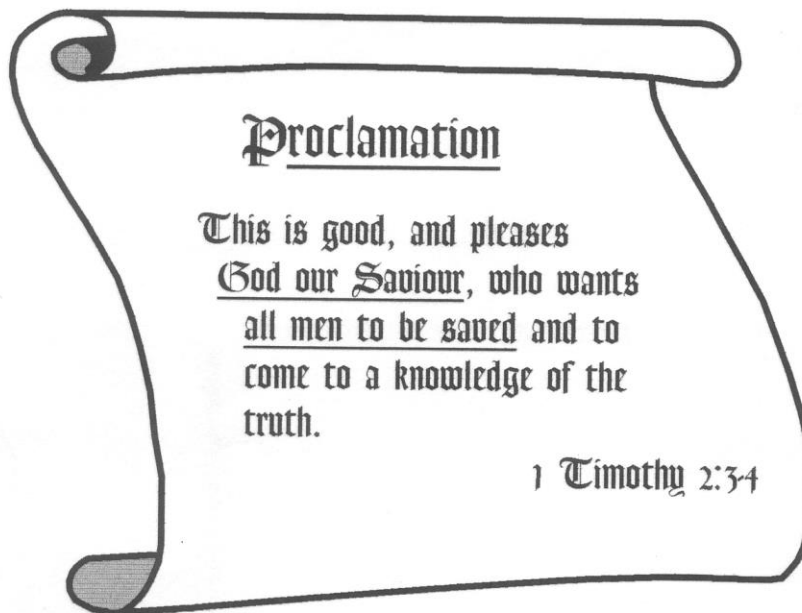
The Bible says that in God's kingdom, there is peace and joy and everyone is right with God. (Romans 14:17).

God rules with justice.  
(Isaiah 30:18)

Jesus tells us to pray for God's will to be done here on earth.  
(Matthew 6:10)

## What is God's will?

God wants all men to be saved and to be in His kingdom.



## ACTIVITIES

In small groups:

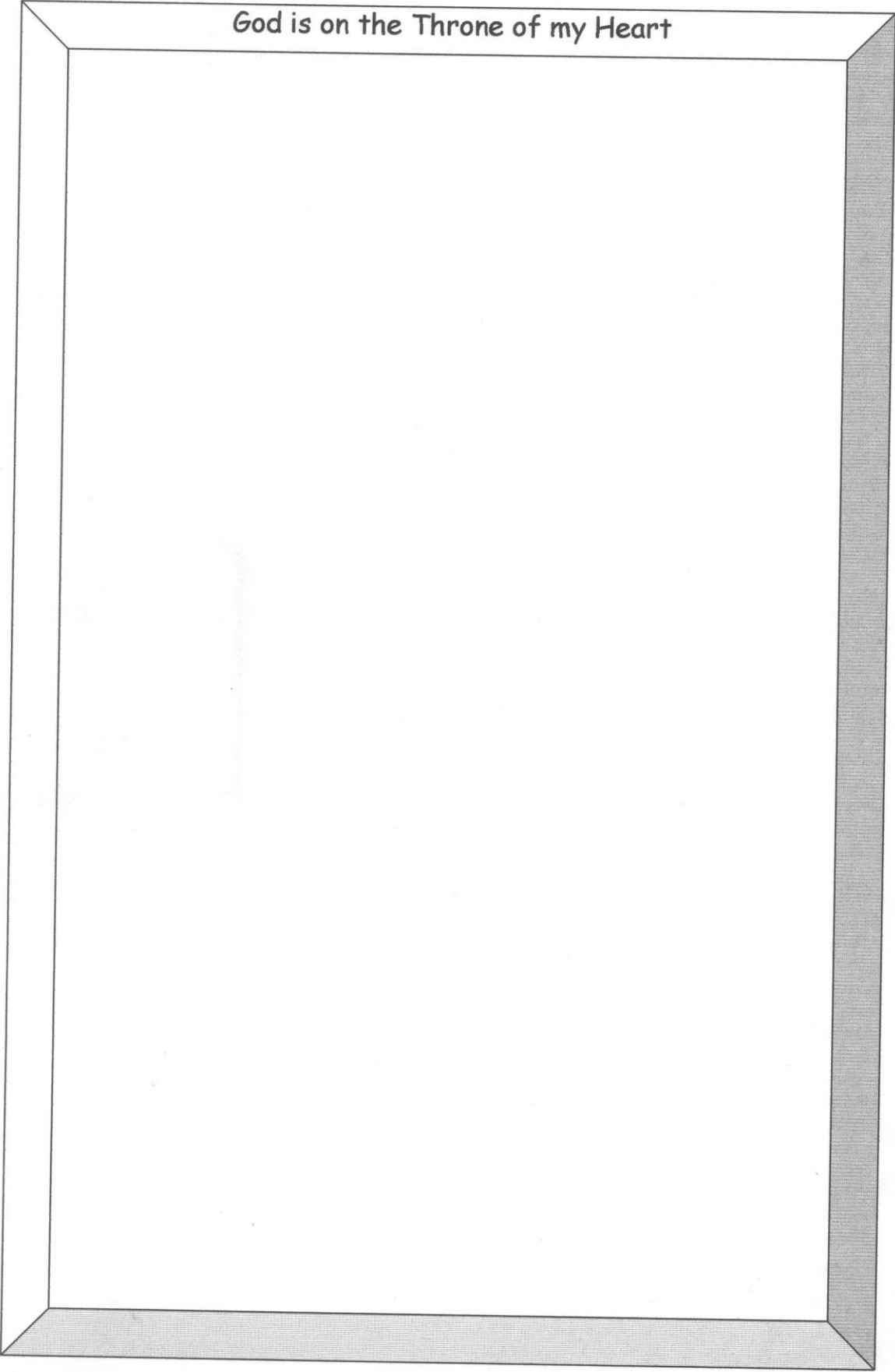
- (a) Let us pray for family and friends who don't know Jesus and ask God for their salvation.
- (b) Draw a picture of God sitting on the throne in your heart.  
(The next page is for your drawing.)



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*What do I pray for?*

God is on the Throne of my Heart



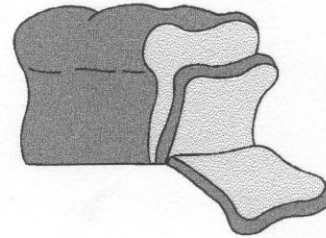
## HOW DO I RECEIVE THE ANSWERS?

Jesus told us to ask God for our daily bread.

Matthew 6:11

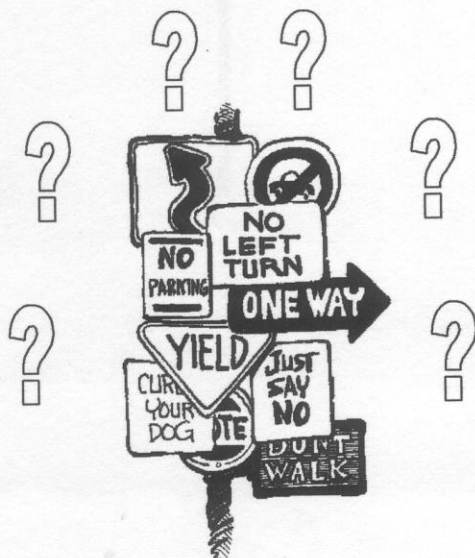
He didn't just mean to ask for our food each day.

Jesus said, "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God."



*Man shall not live by bread alone but by every*

Luke 4:4



God wants to speak to us.  
He has a plan for each of our lives;  
(Remember Jeremiah 29:11?)  
and He wants us to know this plan.

How does God speak to us?

(a) The Bible is called the word of God. It is full of God's word to us, to teach us, to guide us, to discipline us, to encourage us, to correct us, to help us and to make us right with God.  
(2 Timothy 3:16)



- (b) Jesus promised the Holy Spirit would tell us His plans.  
(John 16: 13 and 15)

How does the Holy Spirit tell us ?

Sometimes we hear God speak into our minds.



- (c) God promised He would show us pictures. These are called dreams and visions.

"And afterwards, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions." Joel 2:28

This happened to some men on the day of Pentecost. (Acts 2:17-18)



Peter reminded the people that this promise is for us and for our children and for all whom God calls. (Acts 2:39)

In the Bible, God often spoke to people through dreams and visions.



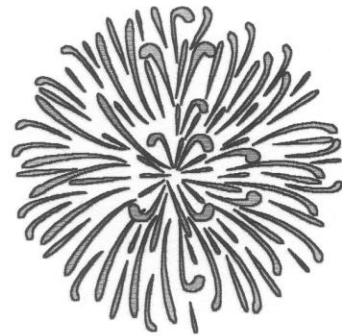
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How do I receive the answers?



God told Joseph  
what was  
going to  
happen  
in a  
dream

Genesis 37:5



God began  
training  
Jeremiah to be  
a prophet  
by showing him a  
picture.

Jeremiah 1:11-13



The Magi  
were  
warned not  
to return to  
Herod in a  
dream  
Matthew  
2:12



The Lord called Ananias  
to go and visit Saul  
in a dream.

Acts 9:10

The Lord  
gave Peter  
a dream



to help him understand  
that Jesus came  
to save men  
from every nation

Acts 10: 9-16



God **WANTS** to talk with us and show us His will here on earth. He has promised that His Spirit will do this for us.

## ACTIVITY

Have the children stand in a receptive position (e.g. with hands held out cupped to receive).

Encourage them to think about Jesus.

Ask the Lord to give the children a vision, or a picture, or to talk to them.

Wait on the Lord, expecting Him to answer.

Then encourage the children to write down or draw what God is showing.

Share what God has shown - allowing the children to describe or interpret what they have recorded.

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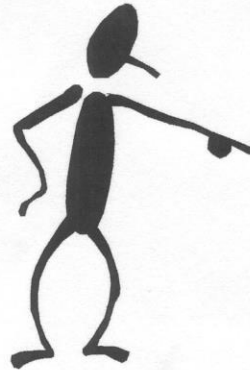
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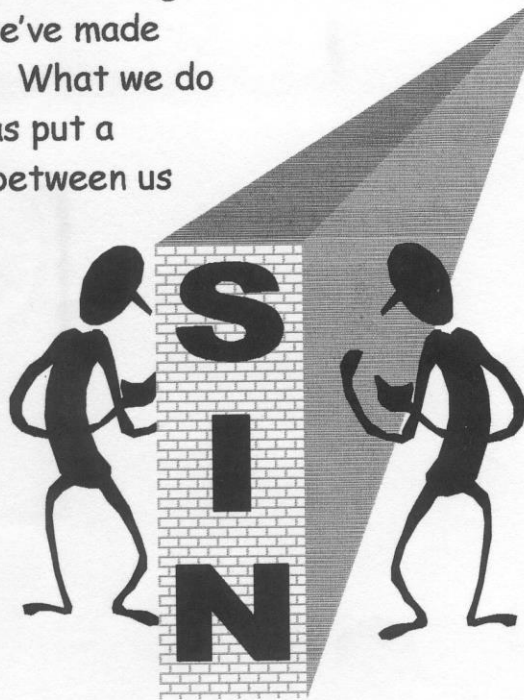
## OOPS! I'VE DONE IT AGAIN - BUT GOD FORGIVES



We often do or think things that we know are wrong. We bring punishment on ourselves and this makes us sad.



But the worst thing is that we've made God sad. What we do wrong has put a barrier between us and God.



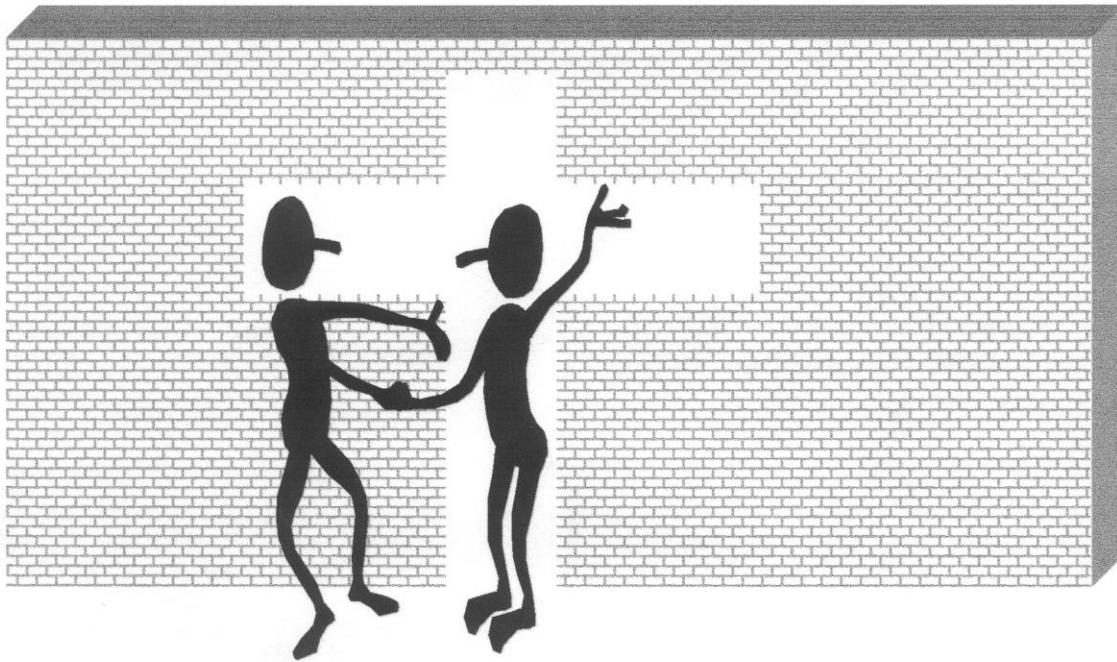
But God loves us so much He's made a way for us to be right again. (John 14:6)

He has sent Jesus who took all our punishment when He died on the cross.

Jesus exchanged His righteousness for our sin.

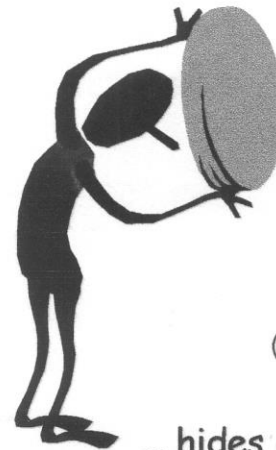
(2 Corinthians 5:21)

All we need to do to be right with God again is to turn to Jesus and say sorry. We confess our sin.



**GOD PROMISES**  
that when we do that  
**HE FORGIVES US...**

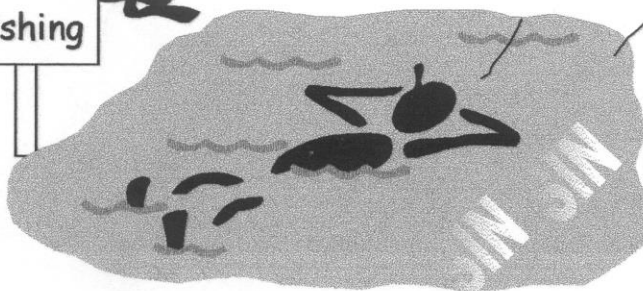
... wipes out our sin ...



SIN

... hides our sin ...

... casts away our sin ...



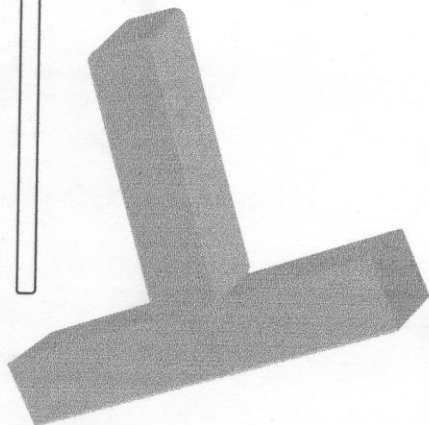
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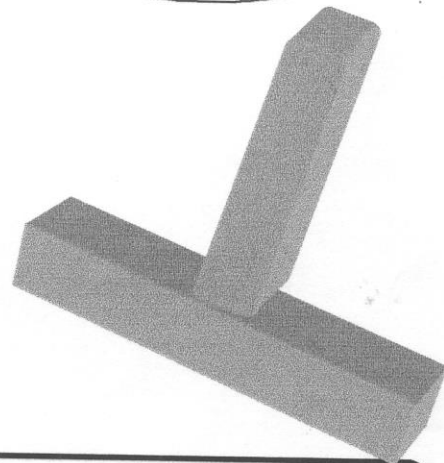


*If we confess our sins He is faithful  
and just and will forgive us our sins  
and purify us from all unrighteousness  
1 John 1:9*

I am no longer  
guilty.



**NO SHAME**



**NOT GUILTY**

He even takes  
my shame.



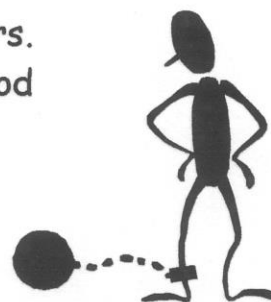
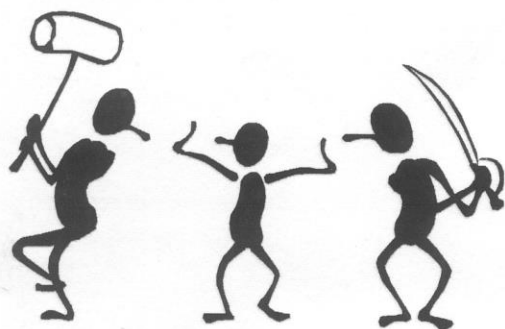
Let's take time now to ask God to forgive us and  
cleanse us from any sin we know is in our lives.

**THANK YOU JESUS**

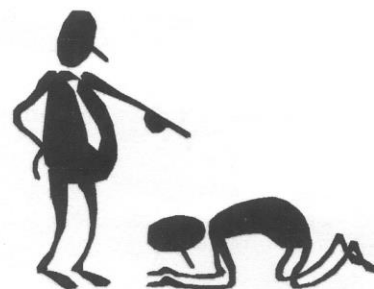


Jesus said He will forgive us as we forgive others.  
(Matthew 6:12) But if we don't forgive others, God  
will not forgive us. (Matthew 6: 14-15)

Has anyone hurt you?



Do you want to see someone  
else punished because of what  
they've done to you?



Are you angry with someone?



Jesus tells us to  
**FORGIVE.**

He promised the Holy Spirit to  
**HELP US.**

Let's ask Him now to help us forgive.

*Holy Spirit,  
please help me  
to forgive ...*

We can now pray a blessing upon  
those we've forgiven.

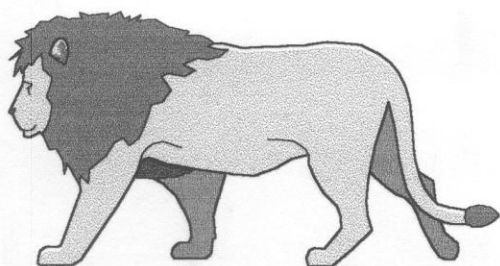
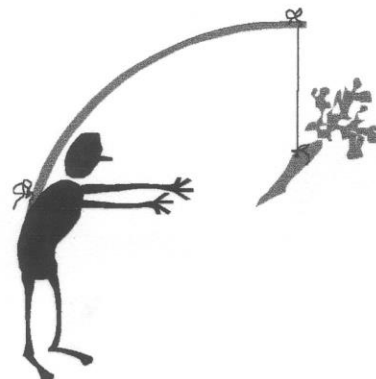


## HELP! LOOKS GOOD ...

## BUT GOD'S POWER IS MIGHTY TO SAVE!

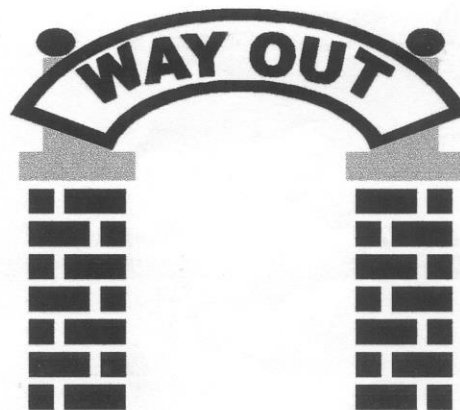
We will always be tempted to do or think wrong things.

We have an enemy - the evil one - who wants to lead us astray and separate us from God.

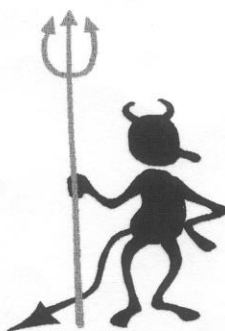
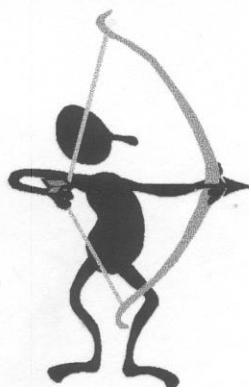


The Bible says he's like a roaring lion. (1 Peter 5:8)

However, the Bible also says God will always show us a way to escape when we're tempted. (1 Corinthians 10:13)



God has given us weapons to fight with and they have God's power to help us. (2 Corinthians 10:14)



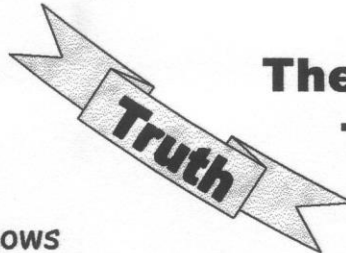


## What are some of the weapons God has given us?

1. The Bible and God's promises  
The Bible is God's word and God keeps His promises.
2. The blood of Jesus that has washed away my sins and made me not guilty before God, so the devil cannot accuse me.  
(Revelation 12:11)
3. We're also told to wear God's armour. WOW! That's powerful! (Ephesians 6:10-18)

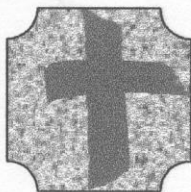


- (a) God's word is true  
(Ephesians 6:14)



**The B \_ \_ \_ of  
T \_ \_ \_**

- (b) My conscience/heart knows  
I'm right with God (Ephesians 6:14)



**The B \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ of  
R \_ \_ \_ \_ \_**

- (c) I know I am saved by Jesus. His salvation is like a helmet that protects my mind. I study His word to know the fullness of what Jesus has done. (Ephesians 6:17)



**The H \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ of  
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- (d) I can always walk in peace and tell others about the peace Jesus promised. (Ephesians 6:15)

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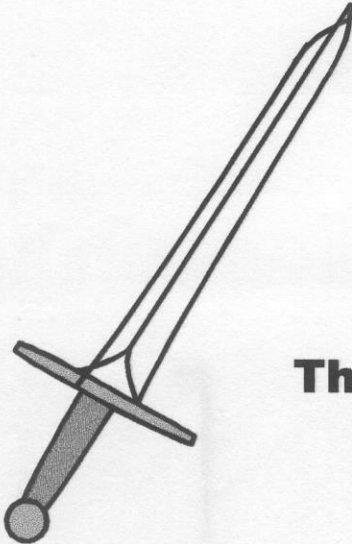
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- (e) I can trust God -  
He shields me.  
(Ephesians 6:16)



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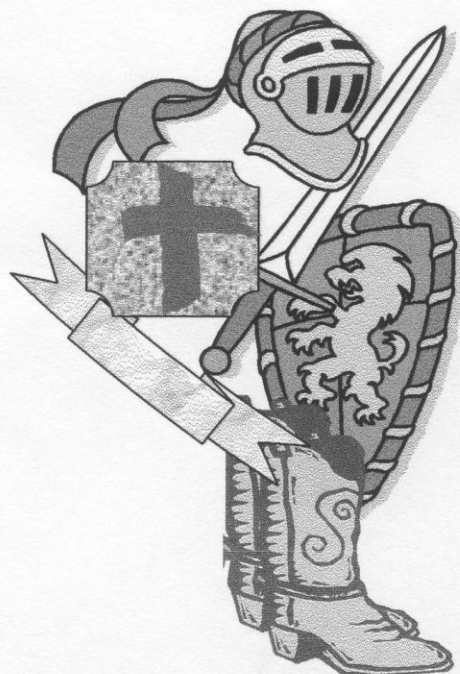
- (f) The word of God is like a sword. I  
learn to speak God's word out loud.  
(Ephesians 6:17)

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4. I can talk with God anytime - I can pray.

Let's put on God's armour  
together as we pray.

Thank You for Your armour,  
God. Thank You that it is  
so powerful and that it  
protects me from the evil  
one.

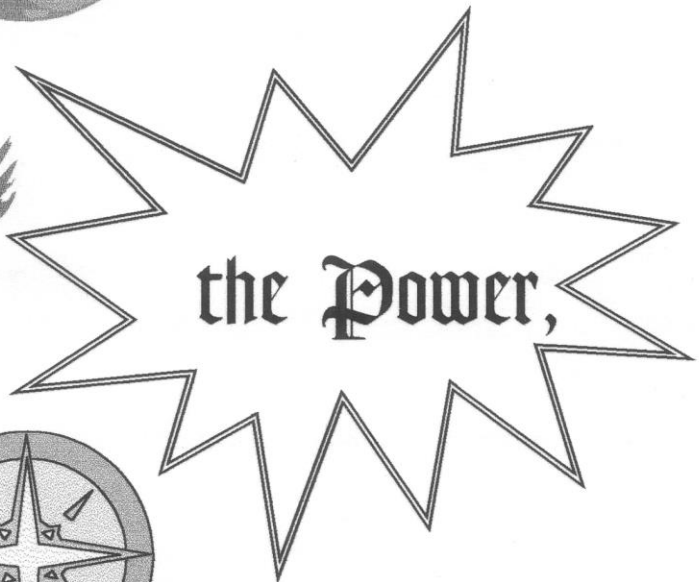
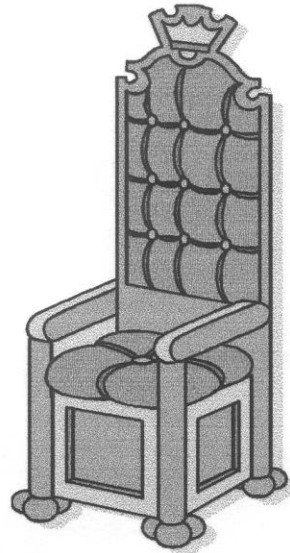
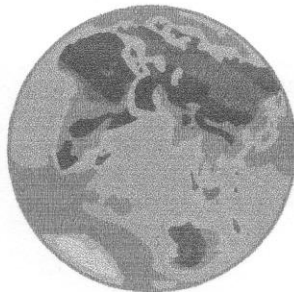


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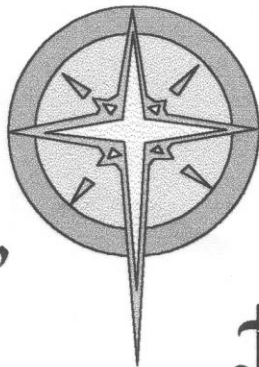
Help! Looks good... but God's power is mighty to save

All of this is possible because GOD IS WHO HE IS. The KINGDOM belongs to Him. The POWER belongs to Him. The GLORY belongs to Him.

Lord, Yours is  
the Kingdom,

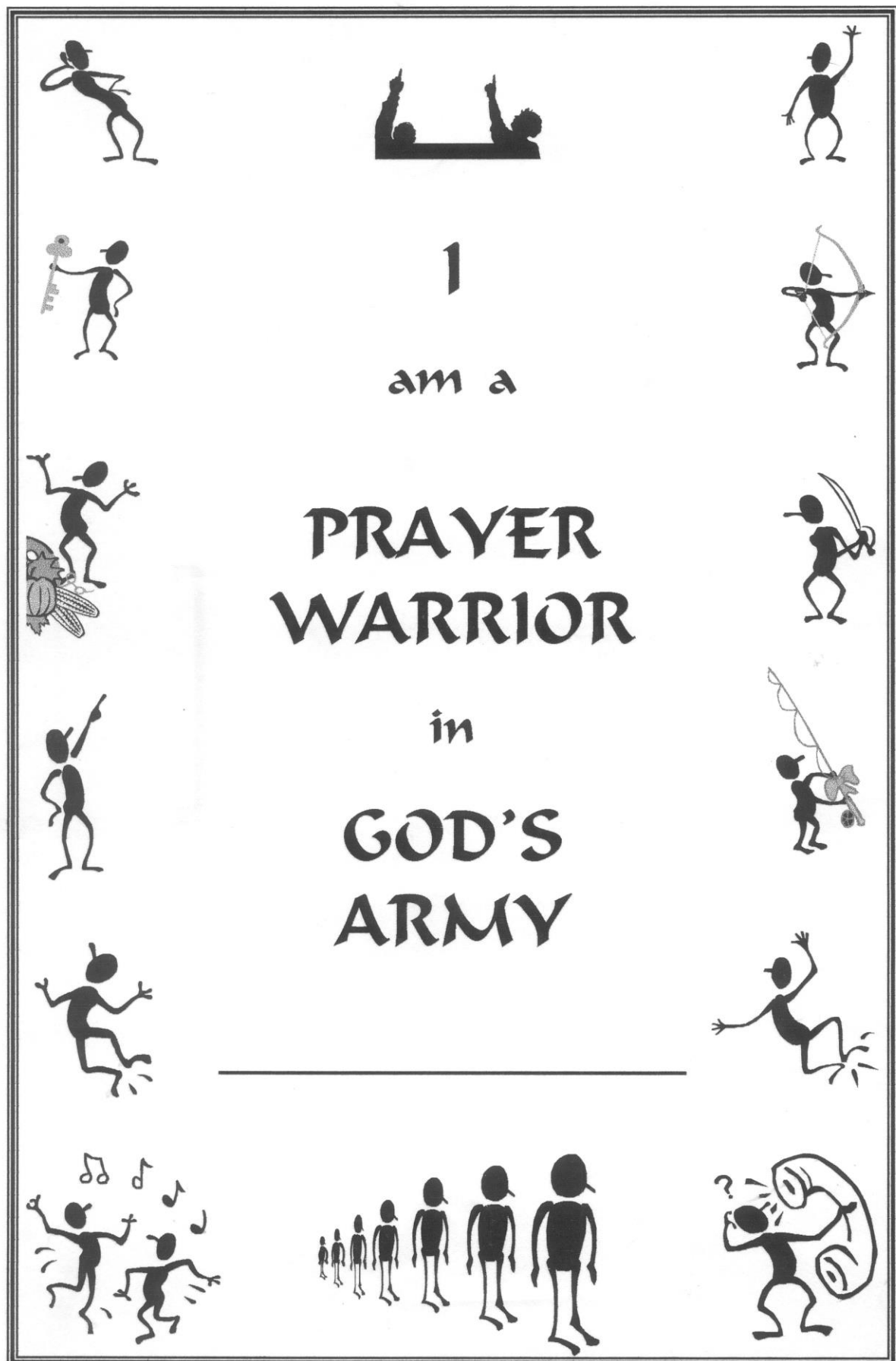


and the Glory,



For Ever ...







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Discipleship Courses to encourage new believers to become full on disciples, through reading scripture, recording what the Lord is saying, memorising verses, praying for the lost and witnessing to their faith.

Bible Research Classes teaching use of concordances, message preparation, preaching and teaching practice.

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## TEACHING / STUDY MANUALS AVAILABLE

**1) *The Word and the Spirit*; 2) *Prayer a Way of Life*; 3) *Foundations of Our Faith*; 4) *The Power of Prayer*; 5) *This Gospel Must Be Preached*; 6) *Steps to Revival*; 7) *Strategy to Reach the Nation*; 8) *The Glory of the Lord shall be revealed*; 9) *Let us go on to Perfection*; 10) *And He gave some to be Apostles...*; 11) *The Cross to the Glory*; 12) *Planting the Church*; 13) *I will Build My Church*; 14) *Faith in Practice* 15) *Leadership in the Last Days*; 16) *The Spirit and Power of Elijah***

Youth and Young Christians: **1) *Prayer Attack*; 2) *Foundations of our Faith for Youth*;**

**3) *Born again to Serve*; 6) *Heroes of the Bible***

Children's Manuals: **1) *God Talk*; 2) *Joseph, Jesus and Me***

**"Walking in Our Inheritance" a book by Paul Galligan**

