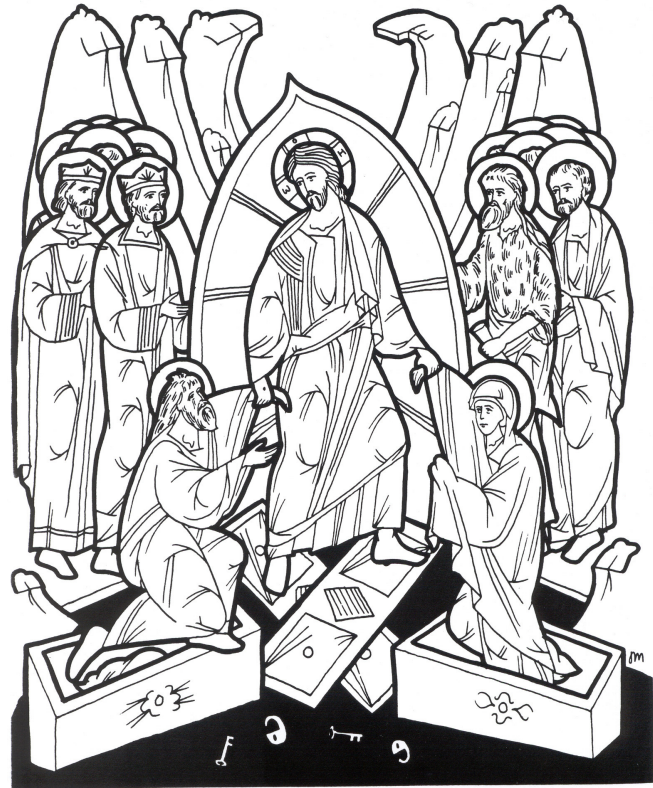


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Thinking About God's Word . . . John 3:13-17

1. Did Jesus get put up high like the snake? When?
2. If a person follows Jesus, what will happen? Do you follow Jesus?
3. Who does God love?
4. Why did God send His Son into the world?
5. On Pascha, we celebrate that one day we will be saved, and live forever with God.

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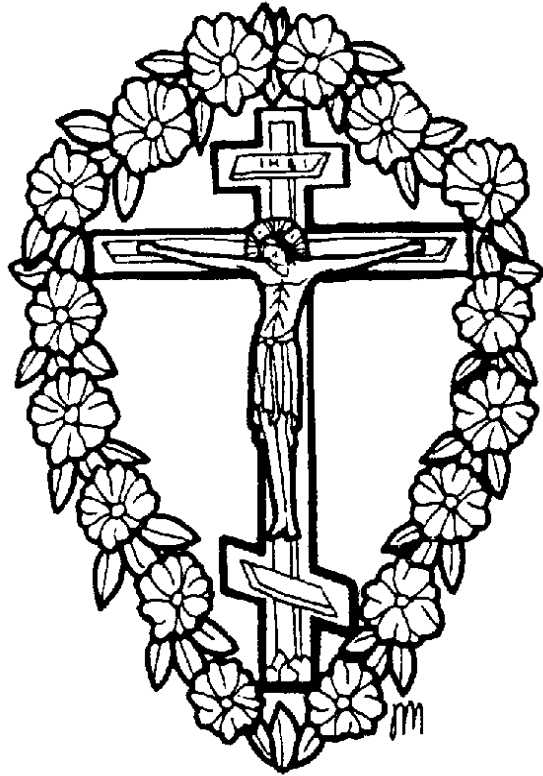
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1. What is the name of God the Son?
2. What is something bad that has happened to you? Have you ever been hurt?
3. Jesus is with us, too, even when something bad happens. We can

- always pray and talk to Jesus.
4. It isn't always easy to be good. Have you ever made a mistake and hurt someone?
 5. Jesus came to tell us that there is a different way to live. He came to show us how to live.

He told us that we can be forgiven when we do something wrong. He came to show us the way to the kingdom, where bad things don't happen. We will live there with Him forever.

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That the World Might be Saved

At that time,

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For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.



Thinking About God's Word . . . *John 3:13-17*

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| 1. Who did God give to the world? | and his only begotten son? | Son into the world? |
| 2. What will happen if we believe in him? | 4. According to the creed and this gospel, where did the son descend for come down from? | 6. How can you receive salvation and eternal life? |
| 3. In the liturgy, when do we say we believe in one God | 5. Why did God send the | |

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Sunday before the Elevation
of the Cross; John 3:13-17

Grades: Middle School
September 7, 2008

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Focus questions

1. Who has descended from and ascended into heaven?
2. What does Daniel 7:13-14 tell us about the Son of Man?
3. According to Daniel, when the Son of Man's kingship and dominion be destroyed?
4. According to the Gospel, when the Son of Man is like the serpent where must He be?
5. Why must the Son of Man be lifted up?
6. Who do you think the Son of Man is? Why do you say that?

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Why Did the Son of Man Come to Us?

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Focus questions

1. Who is Moses?
2. What is the problem for the people of Israel in Numbers 21:4-9?
3. Why do they have this problem?
4. When does Moses pray for the people?
5. What does God tell him to do?
6. What saves the people from the poisonous snakes?
7. According to the Gospel, what must the Son of man be like? What event is the Gospel writer alluding to?
8. What does the story from Numbers tell us about the crucifixion?

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