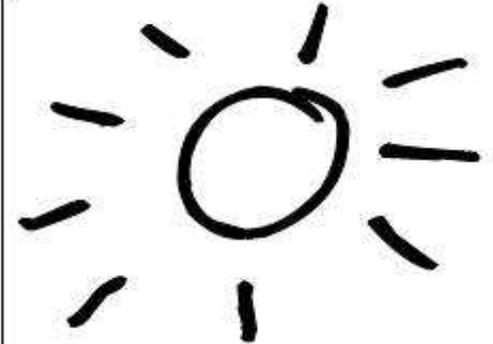
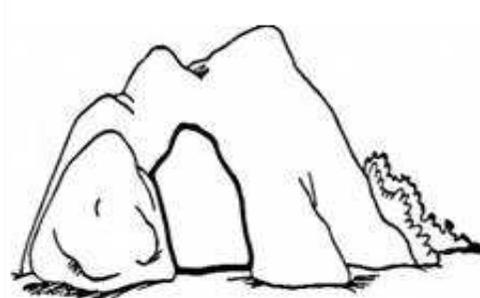
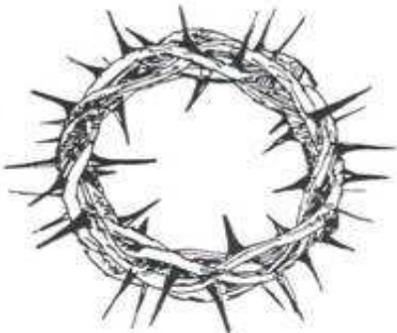
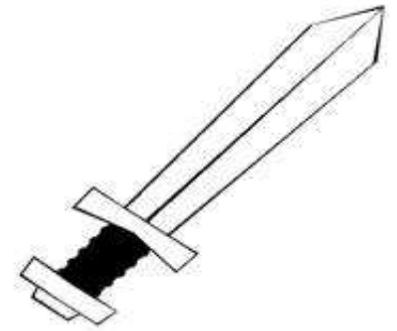
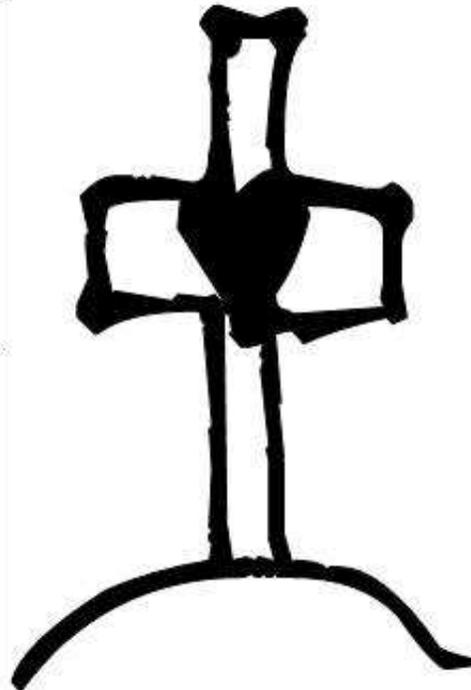
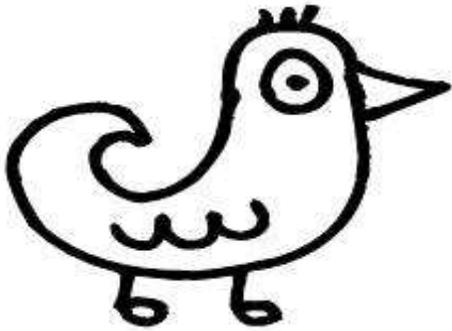
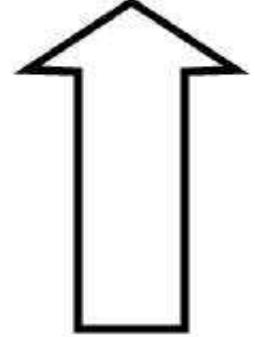
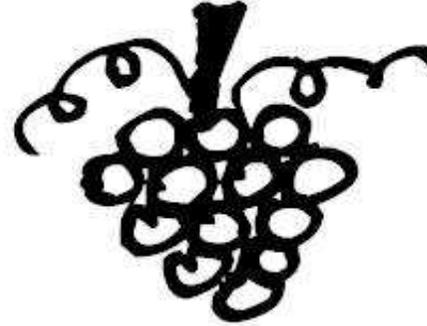
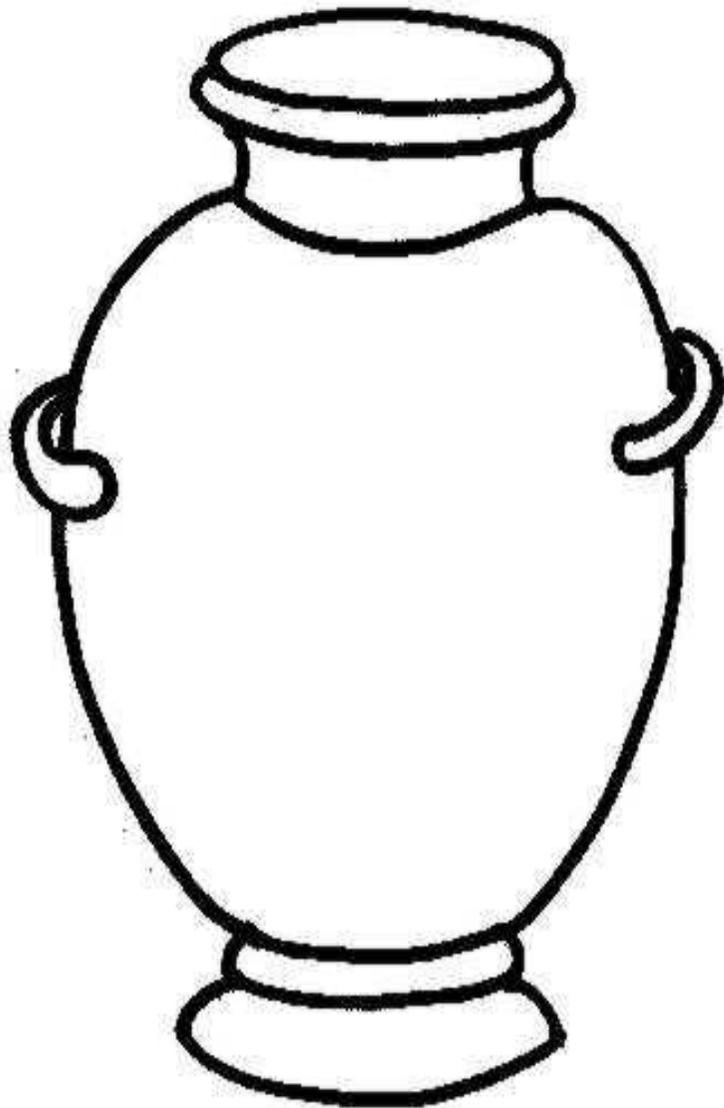


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# JESUS is Anointed

John 12:1-8



6 days before Passover, JESUS went to the town of Bethany. This was where

Lazarus lived. While He was there, a dinner was given in JESUS' honor. Martha served,

and Lazarus was among the people at the table with JESUS.

Then Mary, Lazarus' other sister, took a jar of pure nard, which was an expensive perfume,

and she poured it on JESUS'  (feet). After Mary poured the perfume on his

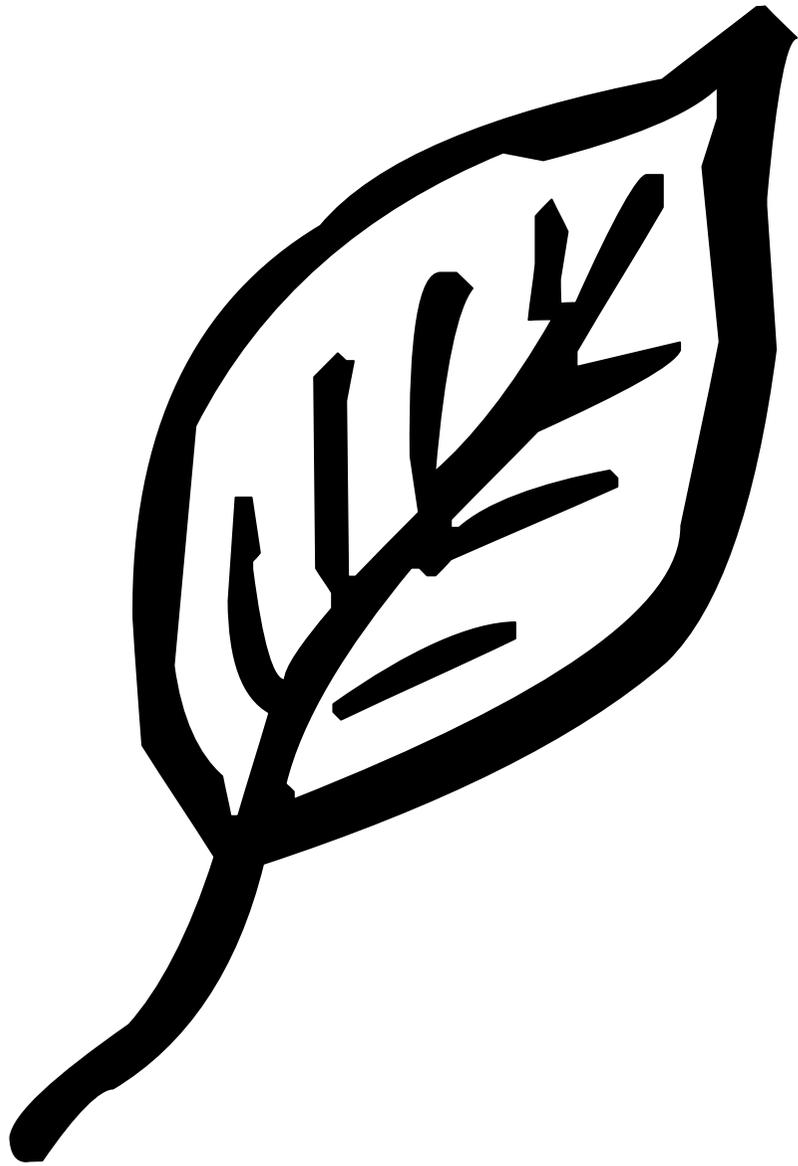
, she wiped his  with her hair. And the whole house smelled like perfume.

But one of JESUS' disciples, a man named Judas Iscariot, asked, "Why wasn't this perfume sold and the money given to the poor? The perfume was worth as much money as you would make in a year." Judas didn't say this because he really cared about the poor, but he said this because he was a thief; and he used to steal from the disciples' money bag.

"Leave her alone," JESUS said. "She was supposed to save this perfume for the day of my burial." Then He said, "You will always have poor people with you, but I won't always be here with you."

# JESUS Entered Jerusalem

John 12:12-19, Luke 19:28-40, Matthew 21:1-11



A big crowd of people had come to **Jerusalem** to celebrate Passover.

The people heard that **JESUS** was on his way to **Jerusalem**.

So, they took  (palm branches) and went out to meet him on the road. When they saw **JESUS** they shouted,

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

"Blessed is the king of Israel!" 🎵

**JESUS** found a young donkey and sat on it. In the Old Testament it says, "Do not be afraid, Daughter Zion; see, your king is coming, seated on a donkey's colt."

# JESUS Drives the Money Changers out of the Temple

Matthew 21:12-13, Mark 11:15-19, Luke 19:45-48



JESUS entered Jerusalem and went to the temple.

When JESUS got there, He saw people changing money and selling doves inside the temple courts.

JESUS turned over the money changer's tables and

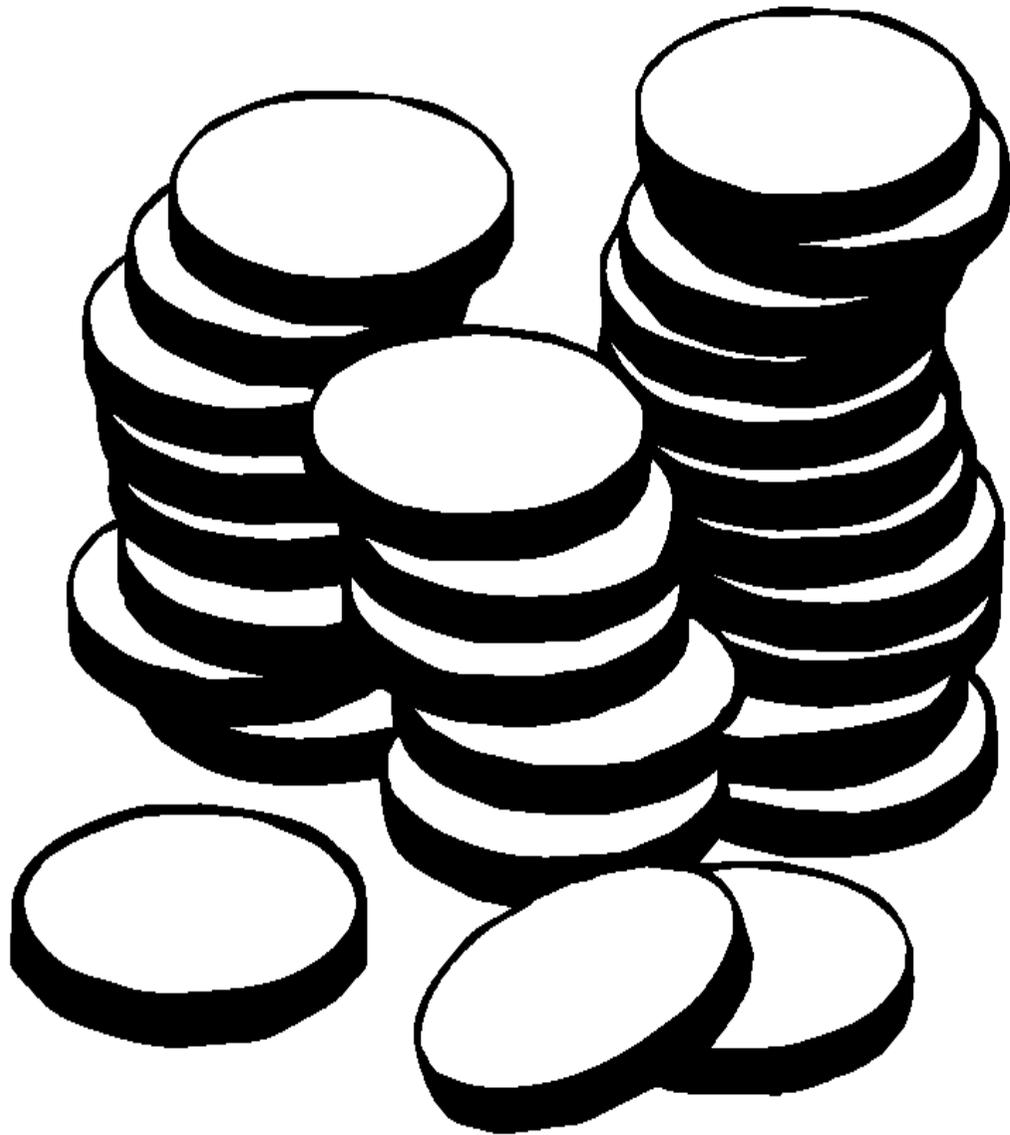
the benches of the people who were selling  (doves) and kicked them out of the temple.

JESUS said, "In the Old Testament it says, 'My

 (house) will be called a  of prayer,' but you are making it 'a den of robbers.'"

# Judas Agrees to Betray JESUS

Matthew 26:14-16 & Luke 22:1-6



Then one of JESUS' twelve disciples, a man named Judas Iscariot decided to betray JESUS.

Judas went to the chief priests. He asked them, "What are you willing to give me if I give JESUS to you?"

So the chief priests counted out thirty pieces of silver and gave them to Judas.

From then on Judas watched and waited for a time to give JESUS to the chief priests.

# JESUS Washes the Disciples' Feet

John 13:1-17

The disciples were all together for Passover. **JESUS** knew that it was time for him to leave and go back to heaven. During the meal, **JESUS** got up, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist. Then, he poured water into a bowl and began to wash his disciples'  (feet). He dried their  with the towel. When **JESUS** got to Simon Peter, Peter asked, "Lord, are you going to wash my "?

**JESUS** explained that later Peter would understand what He was doing.

"No," said Peter, "you will never wash my .

**JESUS** answered, "If I don't wash your  you have nothing to do with me." When Peter heard **JESUS'** answer he let **JESUS** wash his .

When **JESUS** had finished washing their , he put on his clothes back on and came back to the table. He asked them if they understood what He had done. Then,

**JESUS** explained that even though He is their Lord and Master He washed their , so they should wash each other's .

**JESUS** reminded them that He is greater than they are. Then He said that they should follow His example and be a servant to other people.



# JESUS' Last Supper with His Disciples

Matthew 26:17-30, Mark 14:22-26, Luke 22:14-23

While JESUS and His disciples were eating their Passover meal, JESUS stopped and picked up the bread.

He thanked God and then he broke the bread into pieces and gave it to his disciples.

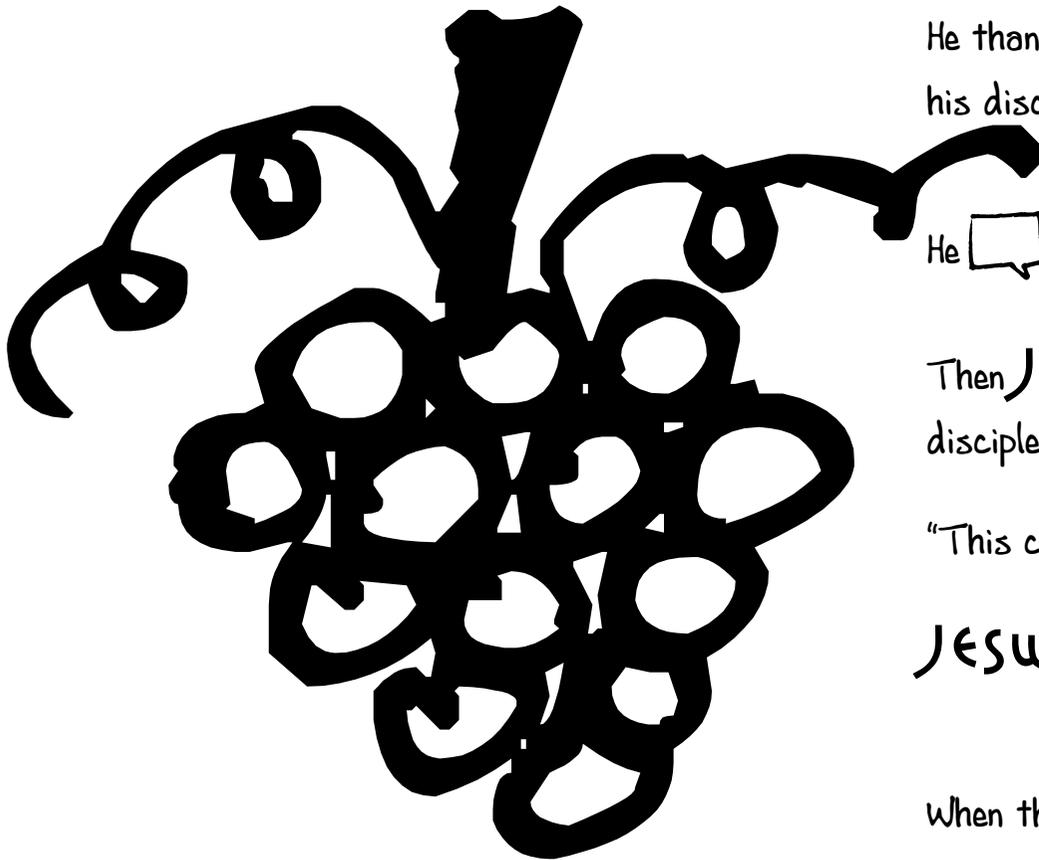
He  (said), "Take it and eat it. This bread is my body."

Then JESUS picked up a cup. He gave thanks and he gave it to His disciples. They all drank from the cup.

"This cup is my blood of the covenant. I am pouring it out for many,"

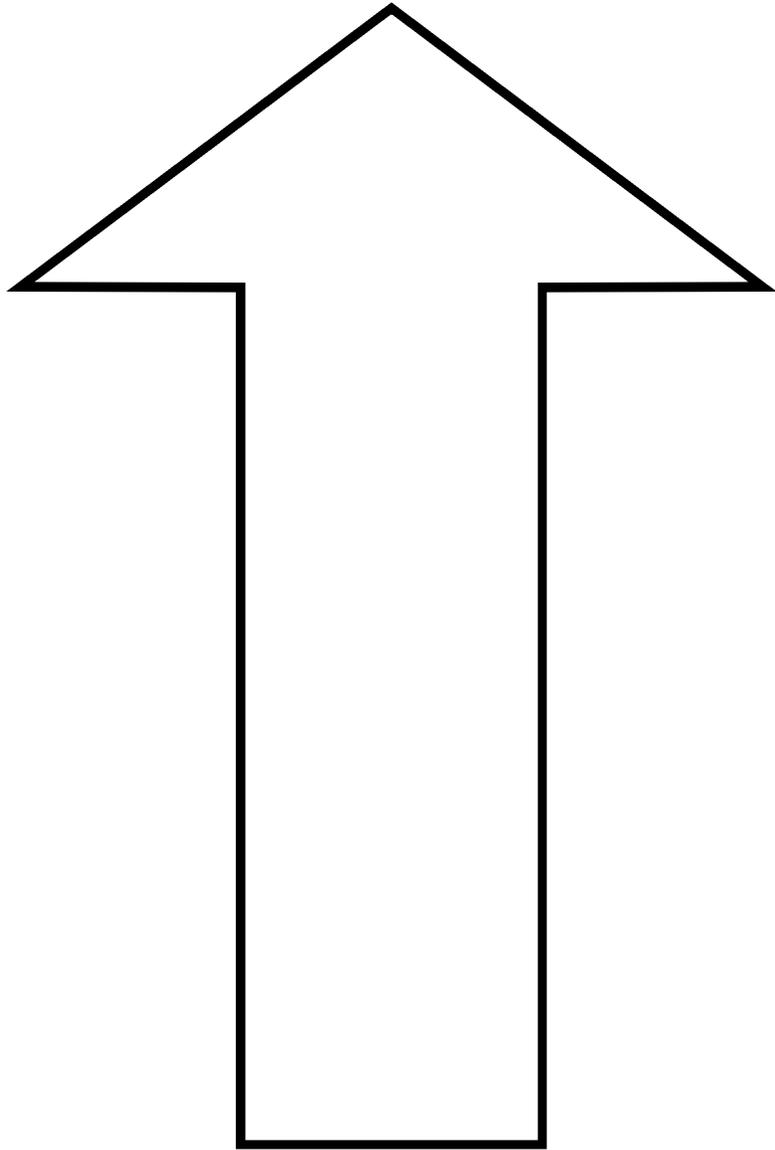
JESUS  to them.

When they had sung a hymn , they went out to the Mount of Olives.

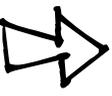


# JESUS Teaches that He is the Only Way to the Father

John 14:1-7

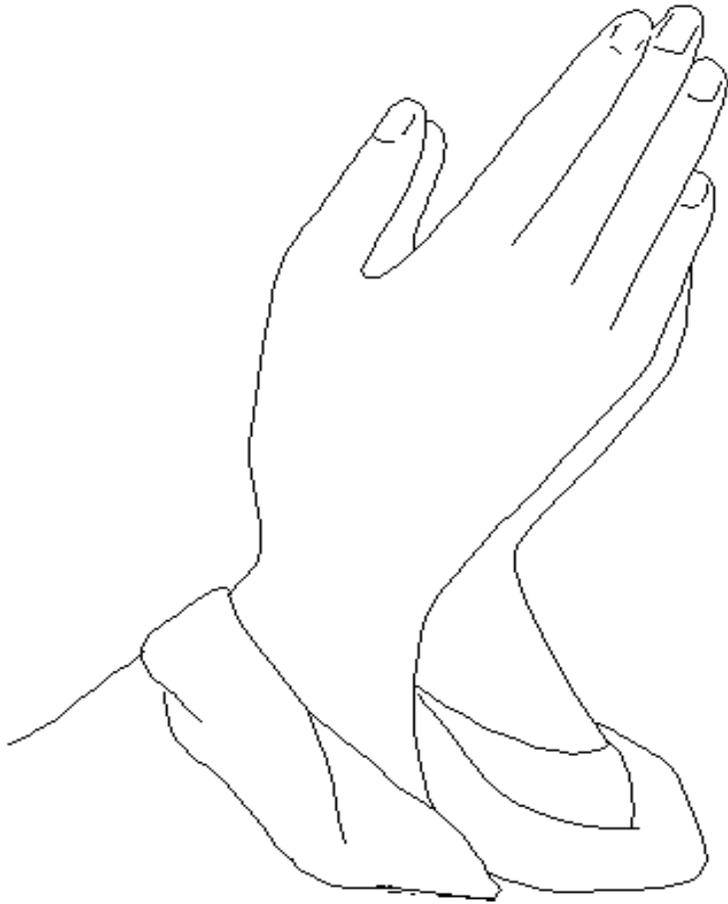


As **JESUS** and His disciples were walking to the Mount of Olives after dinner, **JESUS** had one last chance to teach them. He taught them many things. One thing **JESUS** said while they talked was to remind them that He is the *only way* to know God.

**JESUS**  (said), "I am the  (way) and the **TRUTH** and the *life*. No one comes to the Father except through me."

# JESUS Prays in the Garden

Matthew 26:36-46, Mark 14:32-42, Luke 22:39-46, John 17



**JESUS** went with his disciples to a place called Gethsemane, and he **Q** (said) to them, "Sit here while I go over there and pray."

**JESUS** went a little farther away. He fell with his face to the ground and prayed.

**JESUS** **Q**, "My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will." **JESUS** knew that there was no other way to save God's people except for Him to die, so He willingly submitted to His Father's plan.

Then **JESUS** came back to his disciples and found them sleeping. "Couldn't you stay awake for one hour?" he asked Peter. He told Peter to pray so that he wouldn't be tempted.

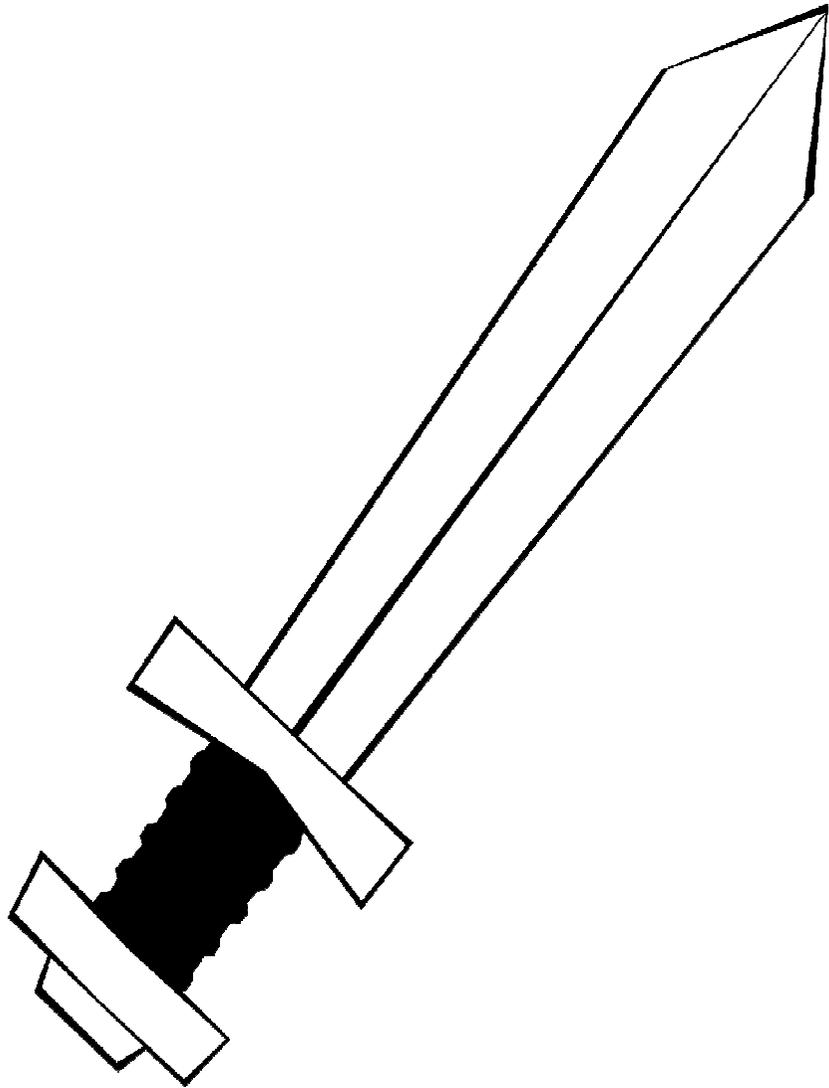
**JESUS** went away a second time and prayed, "My Father, if it is not possible for this cup to be taken away unless I drink it, may your will be done." Again **JESUS** prayed and told God the Father that He would do what He came to earth to do. He would be crucified.

When **JESUS** came back, he found them sleeping again. So he left them and went away once more and prayed the third time, saying the same thing.

Then **JESUS** returned to the disciples and **Q** to them, "Get up. Let's go! The time has come and the one who is going to betray me is here."

# JESUS is Arrested

Matthew 26:47-56, Mark 14:43-52, Luke 22:47-53, John 18:1-18



While **JESUS** was still speaking, Judas, one of the disciples, showed up. Judas was leading a large crowd who were armed with swords and clubs. The chief priests had sent them to arrest **JESUS**. Judas told them that he would kiss **JESUS** and that's how they would know who to arrest. Judas walked up to Jesus and  (said), "Greetings, Rabbi!" and then he kissed **JESUS**.

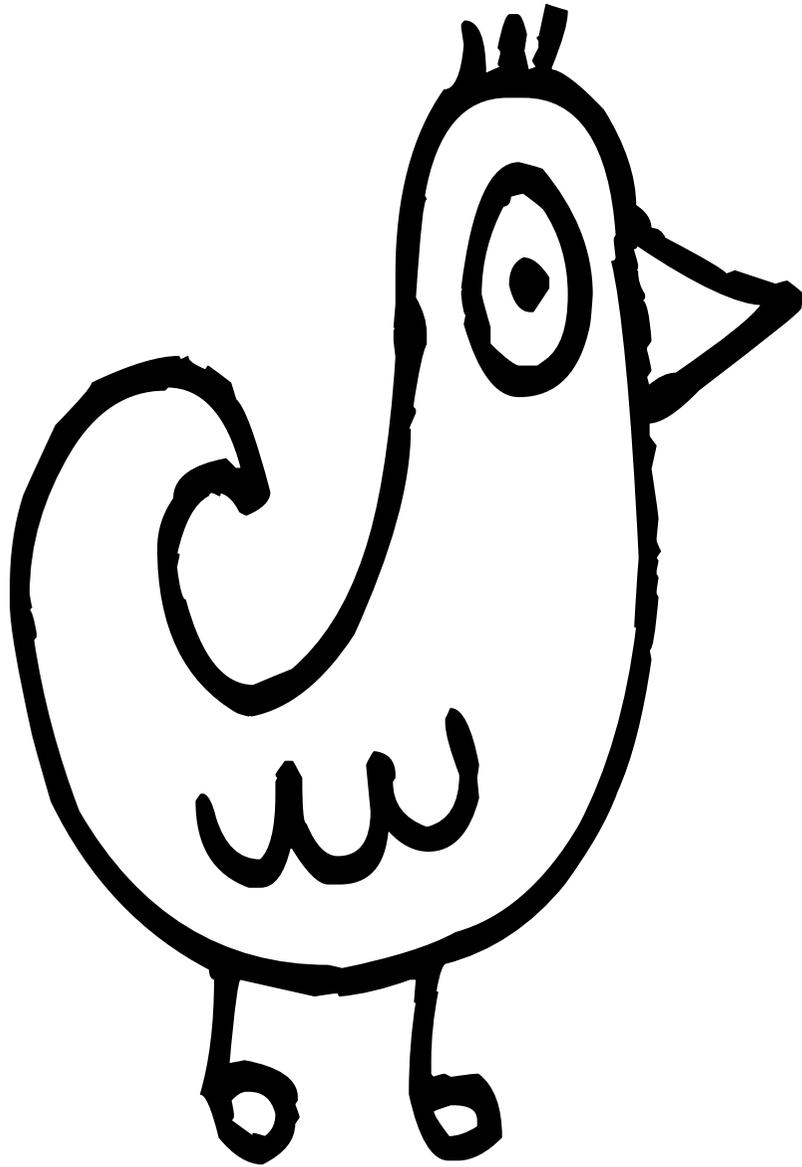
**JESUS** , "Do what you came for, friend."

Then the soldiers stepped forward and arrested **JESUS**. Peter took out his sword and cut off a man's ear. But, **JESUS** told him to stop fighting and reminded him that this was all part of God's plan.

Then, **JESUS** willingly went with the soldiers. He reminded them that all this was happening to fulfill God's plan to rescue His people. Then most of the disciples left **JESUS** and ran away.

# Peter Denies JESUS

Matthew 26:69-75, Mark 14:66-72, Luke 22:54-62, John 18:15-27



Peter and another disciple followed JESUS after He was arrested. Because the other disciple was someone the high priest knew, he was able to go with JESUS into the high priest's courtyard, but Peter had to wait outside at the door. The other disciple came back, and was able to bring Peter in.

The girl at the door □ (said) to Peter, "Aren't you one of JESUS' disciples?"

Peter □, "**No, I am not.**"

It was cold, so lots of people in the courtyard were standing around a fire. Peter joined them at the fire to stay warm.

As Peter was standing there keeping warm, someone else □, "Aren't you one of JESUS' disciples?"

Peter denied it and □, "**No, I am not.**"

Then, one of the high priest's servants □, "Didn't I see you with JESUS in the olive grove?" **Again Peter denied** being JESUS' disciple. At that moment a  (rooster) began to crow.

And, Peter remembered JESUS telling him that before the  crowed he would deny JESUS three times...and now he had!

# JESUS is Tried, Mocked and Beaten

Matthew 27:11-31, Mark 14:53-15:20, Luke 22:63-23:25, John 18:25-19:16

**JESUS** was brought before Pilate. Pilate said, "Are you the king of the Jews?" And **JESUS** said, "Yes, what you say is true."

The chief priests and the elders accused **JESUS** of all kinds of things, but **JESUS** didn't respond to them at all. It really amazed Pilate that He didn't argue. One of the things they did every year during Passover was to release any prisoner the crowd asked for. So when the crowd gathered, Pilate asked them, "Which one do you want me to release to you: Barabbas, or **JESUS** who is called Christ?"

The chief priests and the elders convinced the crowd to ask for Barabbas to be released and to have **JESUS** killed.

So, when Pilate asked again, "which of the two do you want me to release to you?" they answered, "Barabbas." "What should I do with **JESUS** who is called Christ?" Pilate asked.

They all answered, "Crucify him!"

"Why? What crime has he committed?" asked Pilate.

But they shouted all the louder, "Crucify **JESUS**!"

Pilate told the people that he was innocent of **JESUS**' blood and then did what the people wanted.

He released Barabbas to them. And, he had **JESUS** beaten, and ordered the soldiers to crucify him.

Then, the soldiers took **JESUS** and gathered lots of soldiers around Him. They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him. Then, they then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on his head. They put a staff in his right hand and bowed in front of him and teased him. They said, "Hail, King of the Jews!" They spit on him, and took the staff and struck him on the head again and again. After they had made fun of him, they took off the robe and put his own clothes on him.

Then they led **JESUS** away to crucify  him.



# JESUS Died on the Cross

Matthew 27:32-50, Mark 15:21-40, Luke 23:26-43, John 19:16-37

The soldiers brought **JESUS** to the place called Golgotha (which means The Place of the Skull). They offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he did not take it. And

they place Him on the  and crucified Him.

It was 9:00 in the morning when they crucified him. Above **JESUS**' head they posted a sign with the charge against Him. The sign said: **THE KING OF THE JEWS**. They crucified two robbers with him, one on his right and one on his left.

As people passed by, they insulted him. They said, "So! You who are going to destroy

the temple and build it in three days, come down from the  and save yourself!"

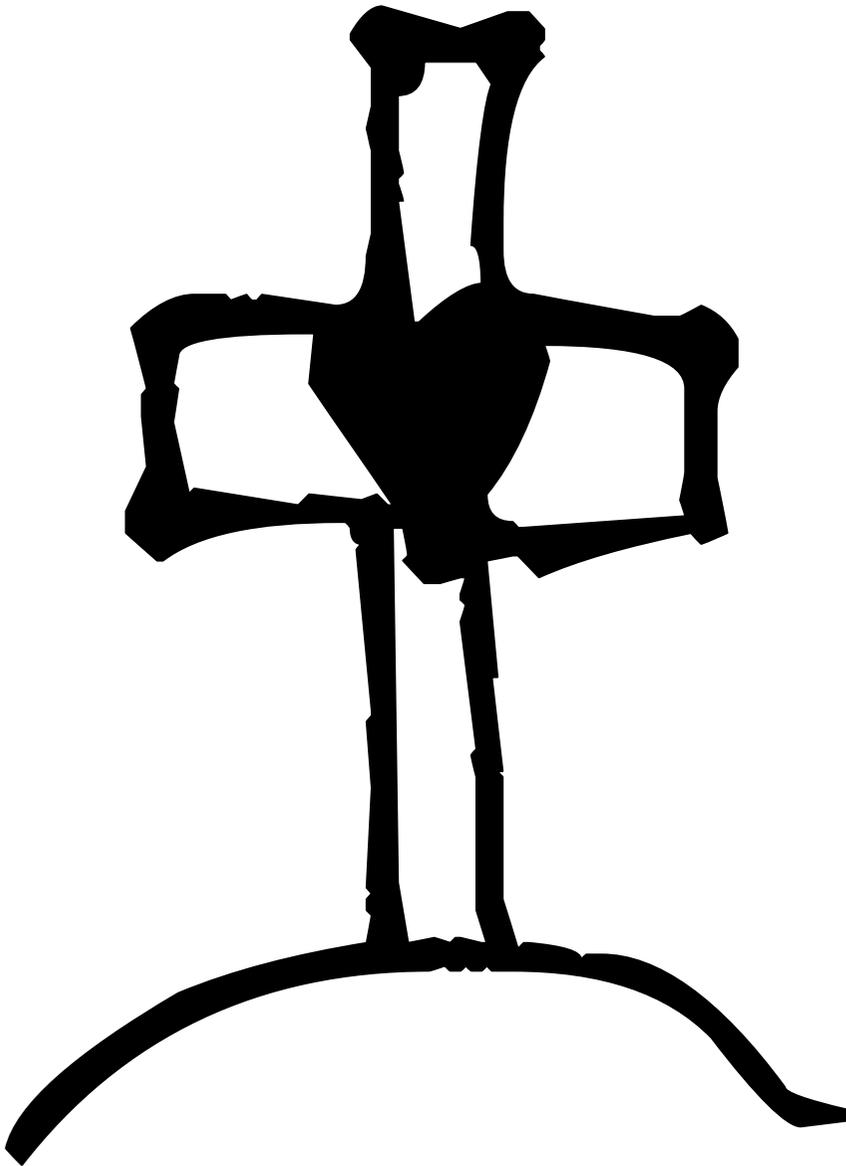
The chief priests and the teachers of the law also joked about **JESUS**. They said,

"He saved others, but he can't save himself! He should come down from the  and prove who He is so that we might see and believe."

At noon it got dark and stayed dark until 3:00 pm. At that time, **JESUS** cried out in a loud voice. He said, "Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

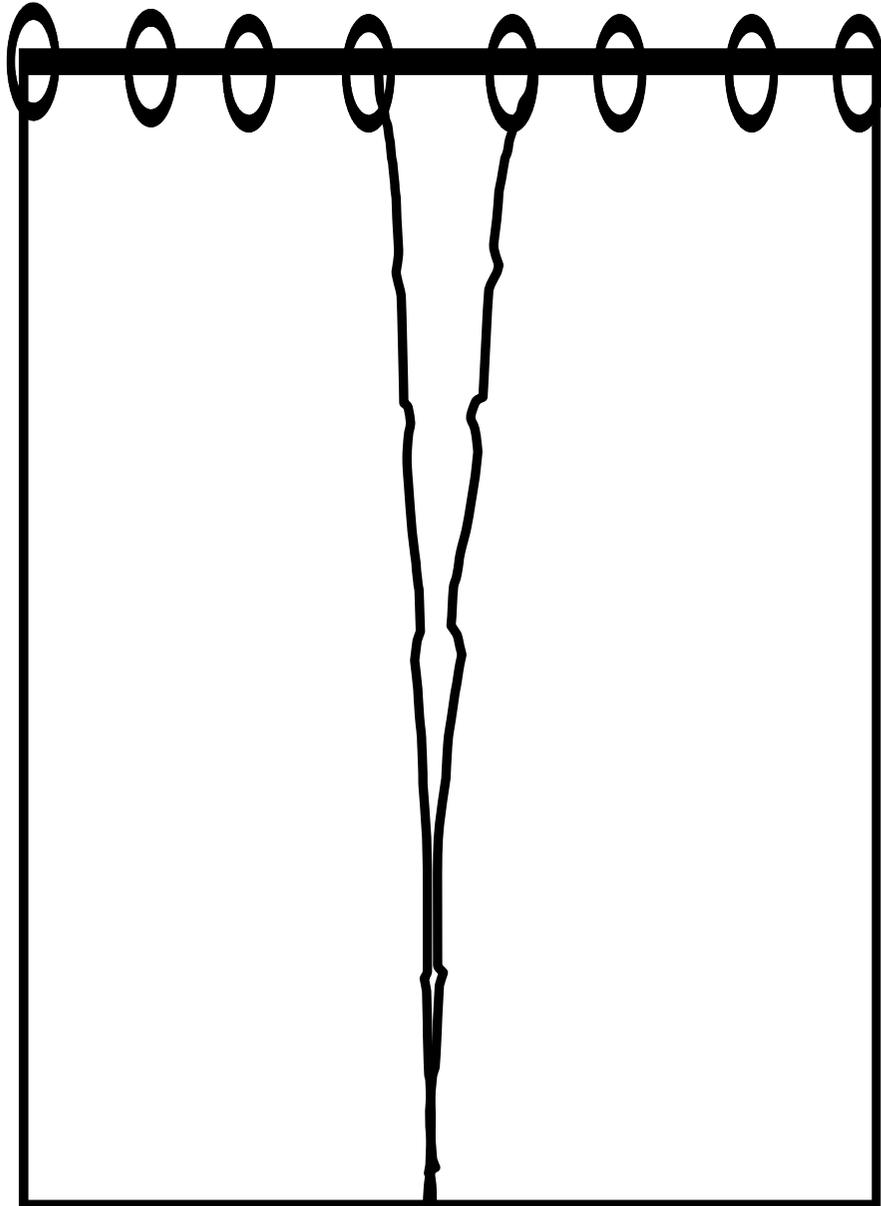
When the people around Him heard, they thought He was calling Elijah.

Then, with a loud cry, **JESUS** took His last breath and died.



# JESUS Opened the Way to God the Father

Matthew 27:51, Mark 15:38



At the moment that **JESUS** died on the , the curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom.

People had always been separated from God because of their sin and the curtain in the temple was a sign of that separation. The curtain tore and opened the way to God.

Because **JESUS** had died as the perfect sacrifice for the sins of God's people, the curtain was no longer necessary. **JESUS** had opened the way to the Father for all of God's people.

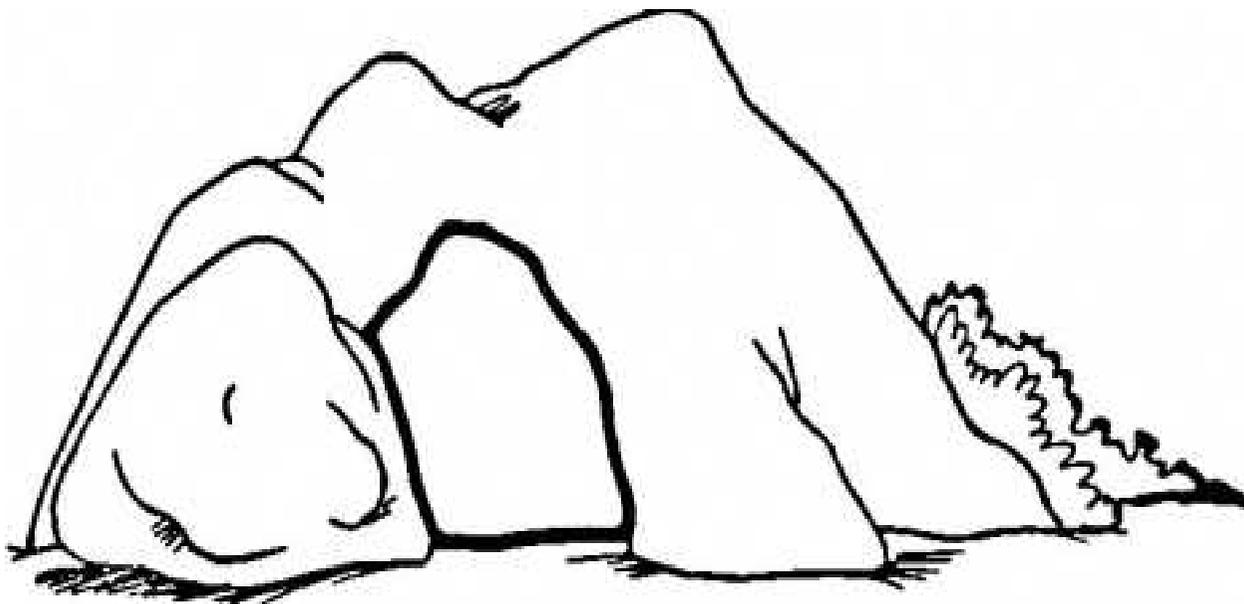
# JESUS Was Buried

Matthew 27:57-61, John 19:38-42, Luke 23:50-56, Mark 15:42-47

After **JESUS** died, a man named Joseph, who was a disciple of **JESUS**, went to Pilate and asked him for **JESUS**' body. Pilate ordered the soldiers to give **JESUS**' body to Joseph.

Joseph took His body and wrapped it in a clean linen cloth. Then, Joseph placed **JESUS**' body in his own new tomb that had been cut out of the rock. Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were there watching as **JESUS** was placed in the tomb.

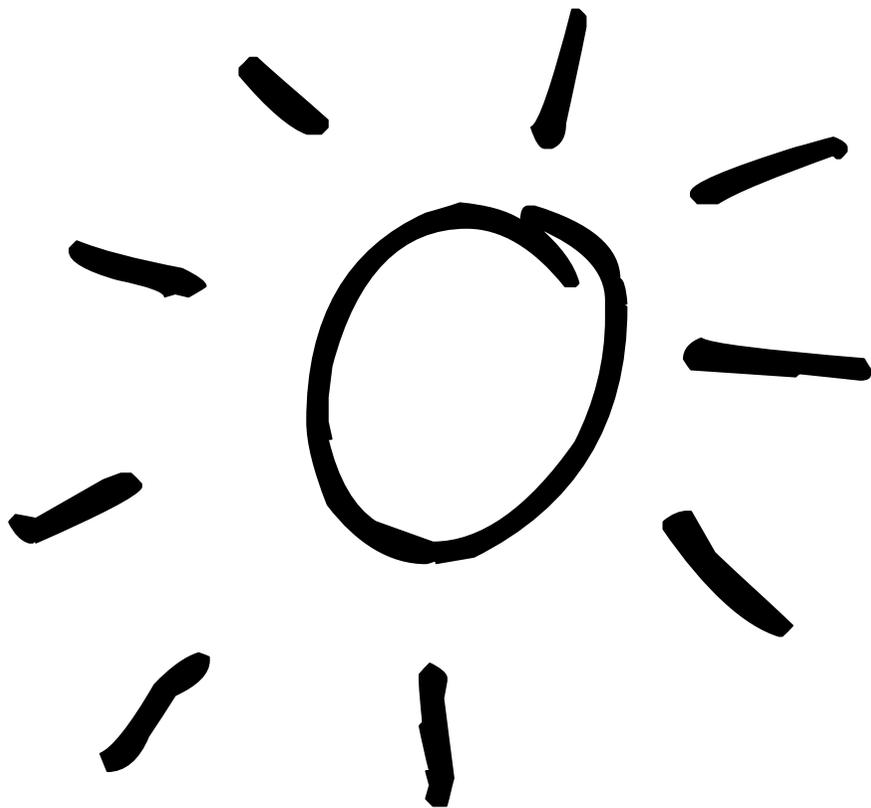
Joseph rolled a big stone in front of the entrance to the tomb and went away.



Pilate ordered the soldiers to seal the rock and he placed soldiers there to guard the tomb. The Jewish leaders were afraid that someone would steal **JESUS**' body and tell people that He had risen from the dead.

# JESUS is ALIVE!!

Matthew 28:1-10, Mark 16:1-8, Luke 24:1-12, John 20:1-9



The ☀️ rose on Sunday morning and it was the start of a beautiful new week.

Because they hadn't been able to put spices on **JESUS**' body before the Sabbath, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome went out to the tomb.

As they walked early in the morning they started to wonder something. They asked each other, "Who will roll the stone away from the entrance of the tomb?"

But when they got to the tomb they were shocked. They saw that the very large and heavy stone had been rolled away. They entered the tomb and they saw an angel sitting on the right side of the tomb. They were terrified!

The man said, "Don't be afraid. You are looking for **JESUS**, who was crucified.

He has risen! He is not here! See, this is the place where they laid him. Go, ☺️ (tell) his disciples that He is going ahead of you into Galilee. You will see **JESUS** there, just like He told you." The women were scared and confused, but filled with joy, and they ran away

from the tomb. They ran to ☺️ the disciples that **JESUS is alive!**