

## Prepare

Prepare your preach by reading the passages listed, praying, and then thinking of a creative way to hit the Key Point. Take a look at the [Program Overview](#) for context. You can use the illustration idea or come up with your own. Make sure you hit the key point and give a 'next step' practical application of that point. Only read 2-3 scriptures verbatim. Finally, have a 'ministry moment' where you give kids the opportunity to receive Jesus and/or pray for them around the topic.

**Preach Length:** 7-10 mins. For further support, see our [Preach Guide](#).

## Week 1 Preach: The Salvation Story

### Scriptures

Share the story of Adam and Eve bringing sin into the world and of Jesus coming to save us! Refer to Genesis 3, Isaiah 59:2 (NLT), Luke 23:34, John 3:16 and Romans 5:8

### Desired 'Next Step':

That Kids will receive Jesus as their Lord and Saviour

### KEY POINT: JESUS MAKES A WAY FOR US TO BE IN RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

Share the story of Adam and Eve eating the forbidden fruit and being driven out of the garden of Eden in Genesis 3. When they ate the fruit, they disobeyed God and sin entered the world. God's original plan was that we would live freely and walk with Him in His beautiful creation with no pain, fear or suffering. However, our sin ruins this plan. Sin separates us from God because it leads us to do evil things like hurt one another and God cannot be around evil (Is. 59:2). But God is a good and loving Father – it broke His heart to be separate from us. So He sent in Jesus.

### SUPPORTING POINTS

#### Jesus took the punishment for our sins

God sent His one and only son Jesus into the world to save us by taking the punishment for the things we do wrong. He did this by first living a perfectly good and loving life and then dying on the cross to take the punishment for our sins! This was a BIG act of love - even while humankind continued to sin and reject God - still Jesus died for us (Rom. 5:8). Jesus cried out 'Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do!' (Lke. 23:34). Jesus knew we were powerless to follow Him without His help, so He forgave and rescued us.

#### Because of Jesus, we can have a close relationship with God and go to heaven one day.

Jesus not only took the punishment for our sins, He also defeated death by rising from the grave! Now, if we believe in God and believe that Jesus is His son who died and rose again, we are forgiven and saved (Jn. 3:16)! When God looks at His believers, His children, He forgets our sins and sees us as perfect (even though we still make mistakes). Because of Jesus, we can have a close relationship with God and live forever in heaven with Him.

### ILLUSTRATION IDEA

You'll need a hardboiled egg and permanent marker. Ask the kids what sin is (and get examples). Sin is anything we say, think or do that is wrong. As they answer, write all the ideas on the egg until it becomes very black. Explain that the egg is like how our hearts are before we meet Jesus (hard, rough). And just like the eggshell separates us from being able to get to the actual egg inside it, our sin separates us from being close with God. When Jesus died on the cross He washed away all our sin (peel back the shell). He has made our hearts new! Now our hearts are like the inside of the egg (soft, clean etc.) and nothing can separate us from Jesus' love.