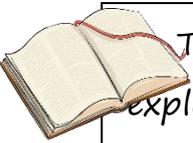


# Good Friday

Read or watch the bible story below then chat about the story and have a go at the activity. There's also a song to listen to and reflect on and a prayer to say...



Today we will be exploring together, the story of Jesus' death on the cross. You can find it in your Bible in:

[John 19:1-30](#)

Or watch [here](#)

## Why did Jesus have to die?

It seems strange that we call the day when we remember Jesus dying "Good Friday" but for God's amazing Good news plan to happen Jesus first had to die. When Jesus died he had never done anything wrong but he took the punishment that should have been ours. The punishment for all our mistakes.

## What is the messiest you have ever been? How did you get cleaned up?

We have all made mistakes and messed up and our messy sins stop us from coming close to God who is perfect and pure. When Jesus died on the cross, he made a way for all our mistakes to be forgiven so that we can come close to God.

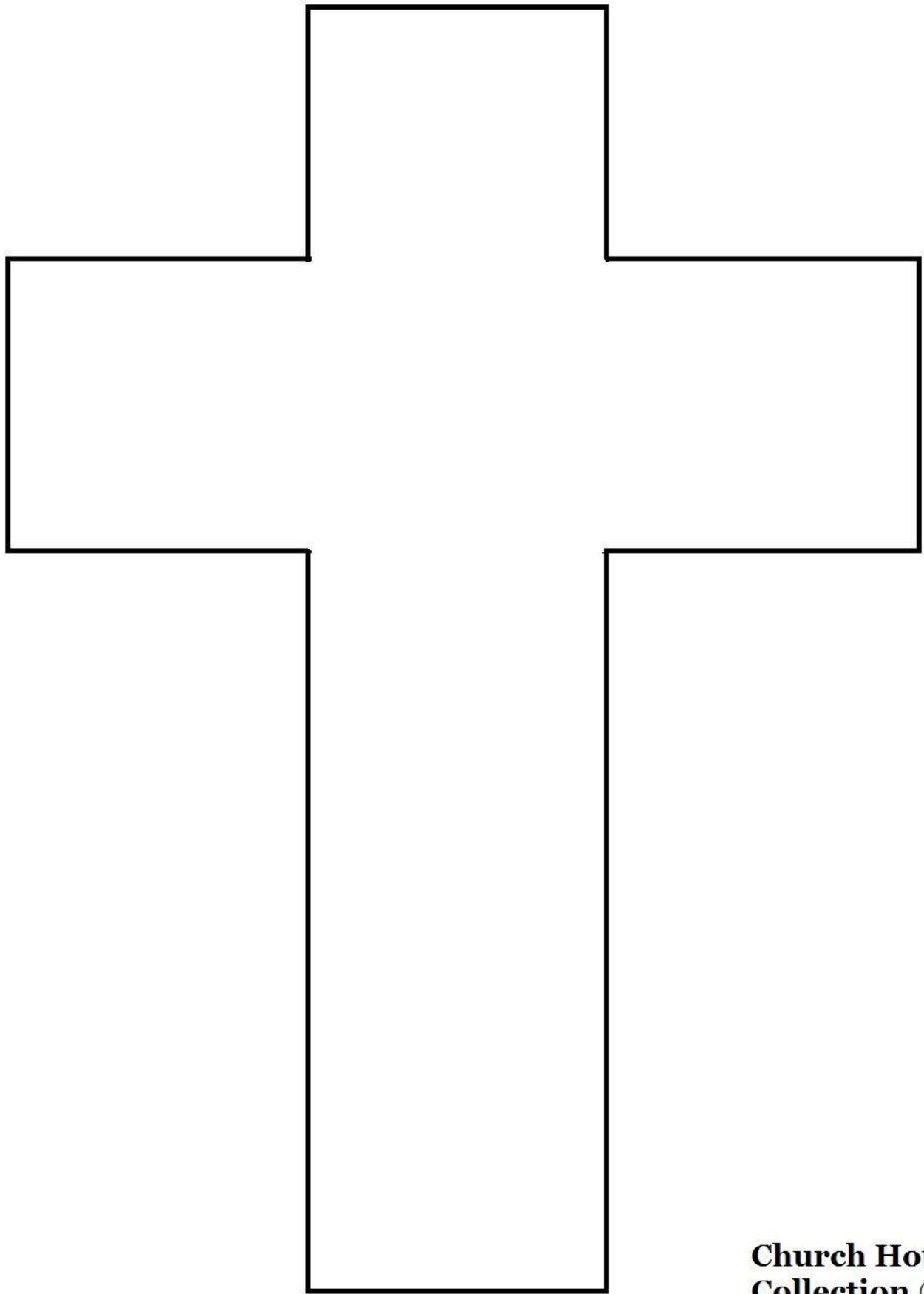
## A prayer to say together

Dear God, I am sorry for the mistakes I have made, for the times when I have made bad choices or been disobedient. Thank you that you sent your son Jesus to die on the cross for us. Thank you that when Jesus died on the cross, he took the punishment for all my mistakes and all the mistakes of the world. Amen

Our song for today is [here](#). It is one to listen to and reflect on. Take some to listen carefully.

## Activity

Jesus forgave the people who killed him, even while he was dying on the cross. Today we are inviting you to pray 'sorry' prayers to Jesus, asking him to forgive you for something bad you've done, said or thought. On the cross attached, you could write a prayer, or a word or two, or draw a picture of something that you are sorry for. Perhaps you could do this as a family. Then look at the cross as you pray your prayer - and know that Jesus forgives you when you say sorry.



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