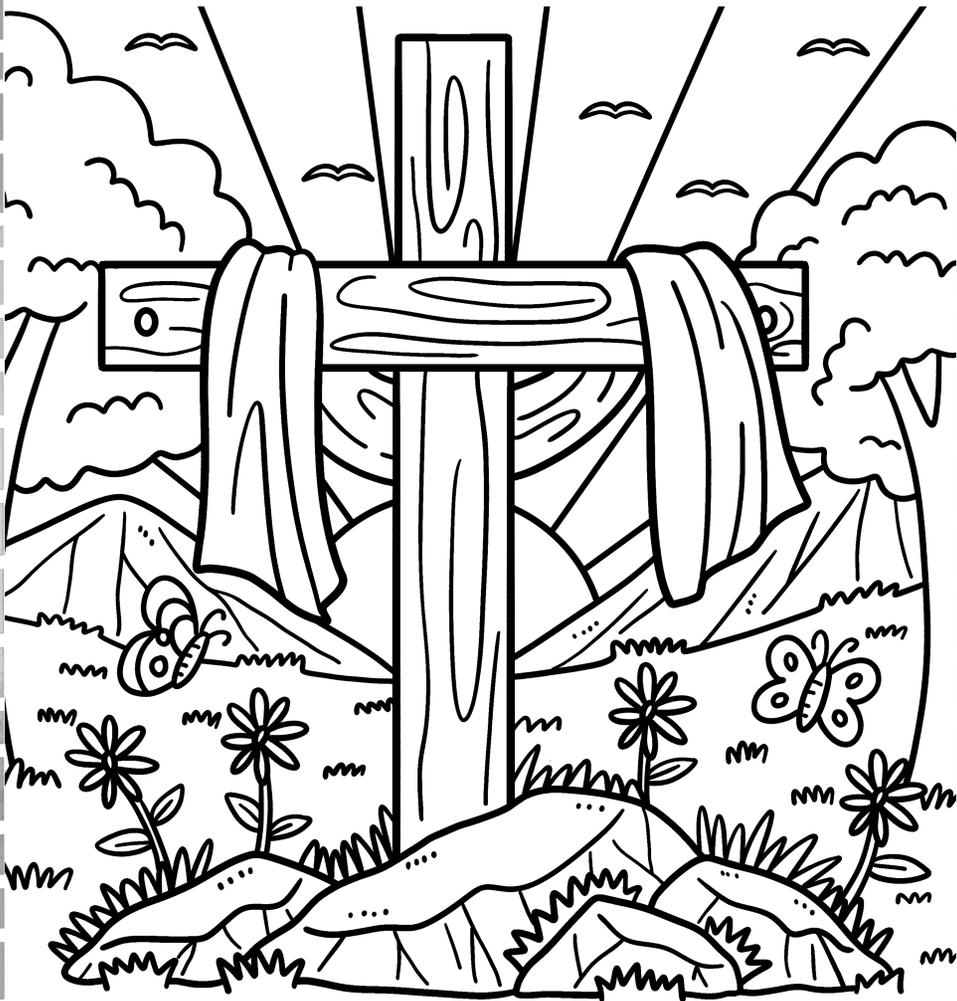


Draw & Color

Because of what Jesus did for us, the cross is now a symbol of new life, instead of death.



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John 19:31-42
Good Friday

Jesus Dies

Jesus died on a dark Friday afternoon. Jesus' friends were so, so sad. Most of Jesus' friends were hiding, afraid that they would get in trouble the way Jesus had. They couldn't be there to take care of Jesus' body.

Joseph of Arimathea was a secret friend of Jesus, so it was safe for him to go to the governor, Pilate, to ask for Jesus' body. Joseph and another friend, Nicodemus, took Jesus away. They wrapped Jesus' body with spices and oils in a linen cloth, which was the proper way to take care of a body in Jesus' time.

Nearby there was a garden—a cemetery—where a new burial tomb had been carved out of the rock. Joseph and Nicodemus took Jesus' wrapped body and laid it in the tomb.



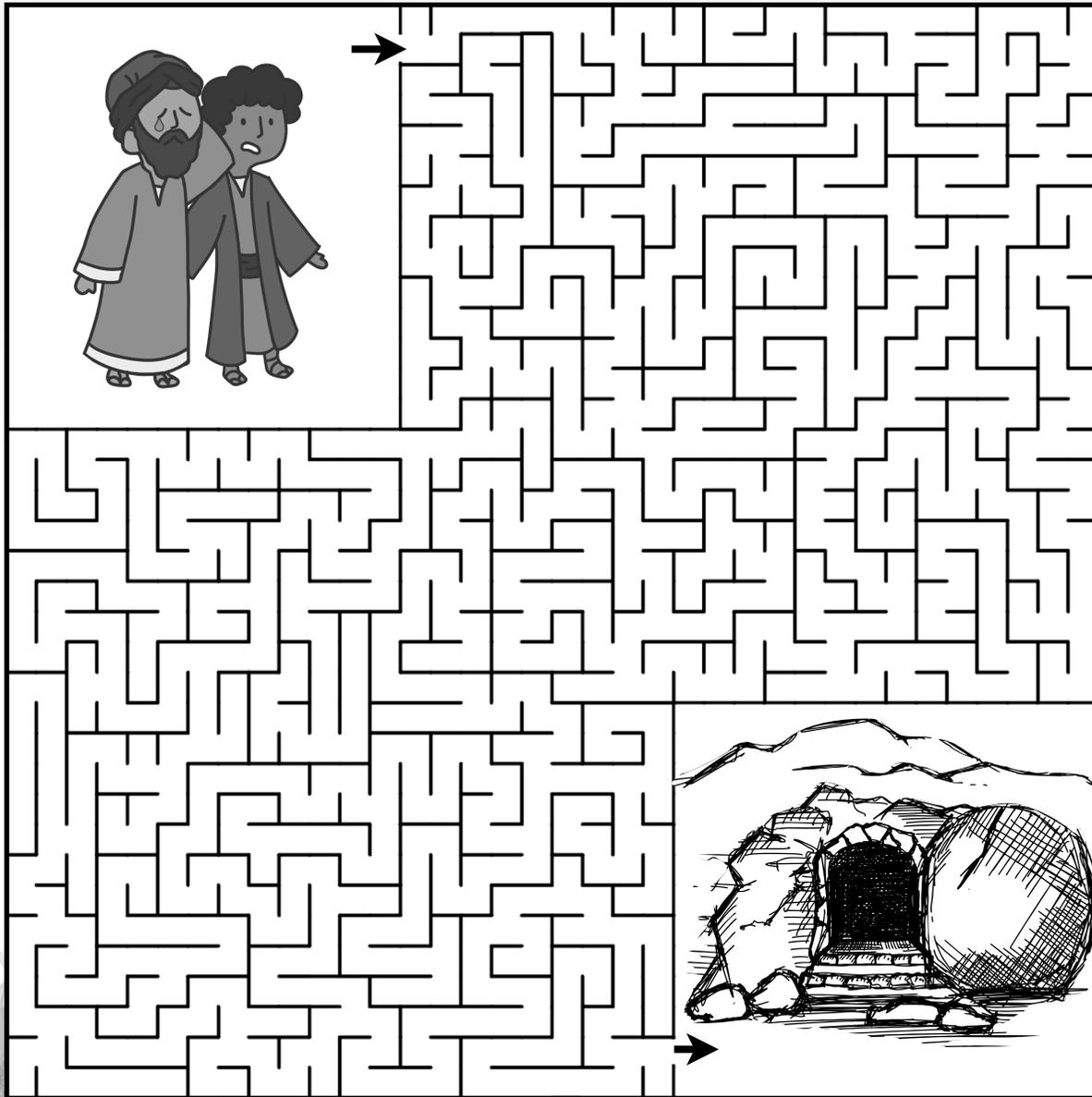
REMEMBER THIS

JESUS DIED

Jesus was God. But he loved us so much, he was willing to die so we might live forever with God.

LAYING JESUS' BODY TO REST

Help Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus get to the new tomb in the garden in order to bury Jesus.



TRY IT AT HOME

Today and tomorrow, think how lonely the world would be without Jesus. That's what Jesus' disciples felt when he died on the cross.

Did You Know?

The Roman Empire crucified lots and lots of people. Anyone who spoke up or acted against Rome could be crucified (which meant being hung on a cross to die.)

