

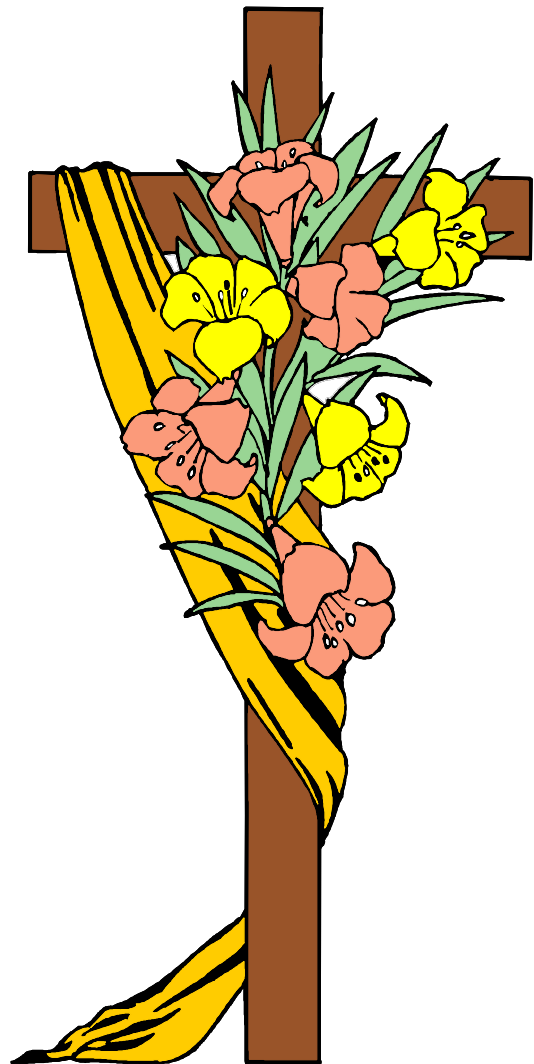
## Pictures of Jesus

# *The Name of Jesus*

**Matthew 1:21** | “She (Mary) will give birth to a son and you are to give him the name Jesus because he will save his people from their sins.”

**Acts 4:12** | “Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved.”

**John 3:16** | “For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.



*The Easter cross shows life growing from death. Our eternal life grows from Jesus' death on the cross. Only one name in all the story of creation can guarantee our salvation. That name is Jesus.*

The name "Jesus" has a very important meaning. This name and its meaning are so important that an angel of the Lord was sent to Joseph to tell him to name the baby, who was not yet born, Jesus. The name Jesus means "The Lord saves".

"The Lord saves" is what Jesus is all about. Jesus, who is God, came to earth to live a sinless life and then to die on the cross to pay for all of our sins. Jesus did what we could not do and that is to earn the forgiveness for our sins. Jesus, our Lord, saves us from our sins and the punishment our sins deserve.

In the Bible passage from the book of Acts, we learn that Jesus is more than just a name given to anyone. Jesus is the only name we can turn to for salvation because it belongs to our Lord. Only Jesus can save us from our sins. There is no one else who has the power to save us from sin.

Salvation is a wonderful gift that God has given us. It says in the Bible passage from the book of John above, "For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son that whoever

believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life."

"The Lord saves" is a wonderful word picture of Jesus!

### PRAYER TIME

We thank you Jesus for saving us from our sins. You did so much for us and then gave us eternal life as a gift if we believe in You as our Savior. Help us to always remember Your great love for us. Amen