

Pictures of Jesus

The Banner for the People

Jesus, the Lamb of God, is pictured as holding a banner - this shows another picture of Jesus as the Banner for the People. People will rally to the Lord to receive the forgiveness of sin and eternal life.



Isaiah 11:10 | **“The Root of Jesse** *(another picture of Jesus)* **will stand as a banner for the people; the nations will rally to him.”**

John 12:32 | **Jesus said, “When I am lifted up from the earth I will draw all people to myself.”**

A banner is a flag just like the flag of our country. A flag is always flown high up where everyone can see it. When people see a flag, they know exactly what country the flag belongs to. No two countries have the same flag.

The flag is a symbol of what a country stands for. Everything good and bad that a country does is seen in its flag.

In a war, soldiers will gather around their country's flag as they fight their enemy. On a battlefield the flag brings the soldiers together so that they can fight their enemy as one group instead of being scattered around.

In this picture of Jesus, He is called a banner. A banner is the same as a flag. This is a very special flag. Jesus does not have one country that He stands for. Jesus is in all countries all around the world. Everyone who believes that Jesus is their Savior flies His flag.

Why is Jesus given the picture name of banner (flag)? The answer is that there is a war between God and Satan, between good and evil, between faith and no faith in Jesus. We can gather around only one flag. Either we serve

Jesus and hate Satan, or we serve Satan and hate Jesus. Jesus has already won the war with Satan for us and He has forgiven our sins. It is easy to see why we should gather around the flag of Jesus.

In our Bible passage it says that the nations will rally (gather) to Jesus. That means that people from every country will come to believe in Jesus and will gather around Him. It does not matter who you are or where you live. If you believe in Jesus you are a part of one big family with Jesus as the head of the family. When Jesus calls us we will all rally to Him.

PRAYER TIME

Every time we hear a Bible story about you Jesus, we can see how wonderful You are. When we hear about all You have done for us, we are filled with thanksgiving. It is a great honor that You called us to believe in You and be a part of Your family. Help us to rally around Your flag every day. Amen