

# WHY DID JESUS DIE?

## WEEK THREE

We believe that the “Good News,” that Jesus died for our sins and rose from the grave, should be good news for **everyone!**

The “Theological Worldviews” resource helps to determine and understand your own worldview. Having an understanding of how you view the world can help make the Gospel sound like **genuinely good news** to you—potentially for the first time ever.

It’s so important that you know that Jesus died for **you, your kids, your loved ones, and even the ones you struggle to love.**

And as always, check out the resources, and you can always reach out to one of our pastors!

### EXPLORING THE QUESTION

#### MAIN IDEA

Jesus died for **YOU** and for **EVERYONE**. He took our place. When we deserved to die for our sins, He stepped in for us and took on the weight of the world **for us**. He died so that we could have easier access to God.

#### CONVERSATION

*(questions your kids may ask you)*

- Have you ever had to forgive anyone? How did you do it?
- What does the word “sin” mean to you?
- How does the idea of Jesus dying make you feel?

#### RESOURCES

- Adult Alpha guide
- Theological Worldviews
- Excerpt from “*The Apostles’ Creed: For All God’s Children*” by Ben Myers

ALL RESOURCES AVAILABLE AT:  
[universitycarillon.net/AlphaKids](http://universitycarillon.net/AlphaKids)



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### ▶ ALPHA ADULT GUIDE: WEEK THREE

See next page(s) for the Adult Alpha guide.

### ▶ THEOLOGICAL WORLDVIEWS

5 Essential Perspectives to Amplify Jesus for the Next Generation (via Orange Curriculum). Find out your worldview by taking the test below.

#	5 Views	What is the problem?	How do you feel?	Who is Jesus?	Why is the gospel good news?	Why do you have hope?
1	Separation & Reunion	Isolation/Abandonment	Orphan Longing	The one who leads me home	Revealing Tear the Veil	Home John 14:2
2	Conflict & Vindication	Oppression	Warrior Anger	Messiah/Liberator	Liberating Defeat the Oppressor	New Kingdom/ New Earth Revelation 21:1
3	Emptiness & Fulfillment	Insignificance	Outcast Ache	Example/ Model	Empowering Fill the Void	Made Complete John 10:10
4	Condemnation & Forgiveness	Sin/Ego	Fugitive Guilt	Savior/ Redeemer	Substituting Pay the Debt	Forgiven Romans 3:23-24
5	Suffering & Endurance	Meaninglessness	Victim Overwhelmed	Suffering Servant	Abiding Love in Action	Full Understanding 1 Cor. 13:12

Reproduced from the original work of Jones, W. Paul. *Theological Worlds: Understanding the Alternate Rhythms of Christian Belief*, Abingdon Press, 1989.

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### ▶ THE APOSTLES’ CREED: FOR ALL GOD’S CHILDREN

Take a look at the excerpt (last page of this document) from this kids book by Ben Myers.

- ▶ Want to discuss this question further? Reach out to one of our pastors by emailing [pastors@universitycarillon.net](mailto:pastors@universitycarillon.net)

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## Why is the cross the symbol of Christianity?

‘... the Son of God...  
loved me and gave  
himself for me’

(GALATIANS 2:20)

### 1. THE PROBLEM

‘All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.’ (Romans 3:23).

- **Pollution** of sin (Mark 7:20–23)
- **Power** of sin (John 8:34)
- **Penalty** for sin (Romans 6:23)
- **Partition** of sin (Isaiah 59:2)

### 2. THE SOLUTION

- ‘The self-substitution of God’ (1 Peter 2:24)
- Agony of the cross (Isaiah 53:6)

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# HE DESCENDED INTO HELL



An Excerpt From  
***THE APOSTLES' CREED:  
FOR ALL GOD'S CHILDREN***

Where will I go when I die?  
Where do all the dead go?  
Wherever it is, Jesus went there too.

He went down as far as we had fallen.  
He took death's keys to free the captives.  
He overcame death with his life.

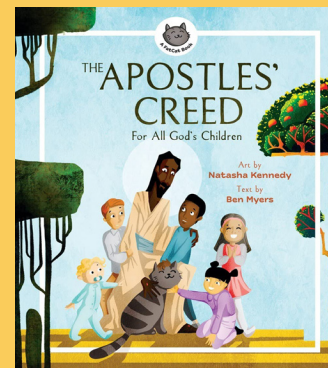
He took Eve and Adam, our first parents, by the hand  
and made them his sister and brother.

When I die, Jesus meets me there and takes me by the hand.  
He is God's strong Son, my strong Brother.

Is anything stronger than death?  
Yes - Jesus!

That's what I believe.

**Get the book!** Available on Amazon.



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God's Children*** by Ben Myers

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