



## “HEAVEN”

### A CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*The outline which follows is not intended to be memorized word-for-word but is a framework on which you can present the gospel presentation. It may be adapted according to length of time available, makeup of target audience listening, etc.*

Introduction: Hi, kids! If you could go anywhere in this world, where would you like to go? (Wait for responses).

I would like to tell you about a place that is not in this world, that is better than any place you can imagine. Can you guess what place I'm thinking about?

*Write in the title: Heaven*

### Top Left Box: Creator

Explain briefly about heaven, you can include some of the following concepts:

- \* It is a perfect place, there is no sadness, disappointment or pain. Background verse is Revelation 21:4 “He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.”
- \* Jesus talked about heaven while He was here on earth
- \* There is no death in heaven, only LIFE (*Draw in the word “LIFE” at the top of the board*)
- \* It is the place where God **THE CREATOR** lives - (*At his point you can paint in the word “God” in black just above the gates of heaven*).
- \* It is a place of peace and joy - everything good will be in heaven.
- \* Those who are written in God's Book of Life will be admitted to heaven (*At this point you can draw in the Book of Life*). Background verse is Revelation 21:27: “Nothing impure will ever enter it, nor will anyone who does what is shameful or deceitful, but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life.”

*Transition Statement:* “Not everyone will go to heaven, what keeps people out of heaven?”

## Top Right Box: Corruption

Talk about creation which can include the following concepts:

1. Draw in Adam and Eve and explain about our first parents
  - \* They were created after God brought all the other things found on earth into being
  - \* They were created by God (*Draw in the word "God"*)
  - \* They were created out of the dust of the earth
  - \* There was no sin in the very beginning
  - \* Explain that sin is anything we say, think or do that does not please God
2. Draw in the serpent on the tree
  - \* Explain that Satan is the deceiver, he tricks people, he cannot be trusted
  - \* Satan is the enemy of God
  - \* Satan wants us to follow him and NOT obey God
  - \* There is a spiritual battle going on in the universe between good (God) and evil (Satan)
3. Fill in the word "sin" below the word "God" and explain what sin is once again
  - \* We all have sinned
  - \* The result of this sin is physical and spiritual death.
  - \* Like our first parents, we too have gone our way and our sin separates us from God. The Bible says, "All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned everyone to his own way..." (Isaiah 53:6).
4. Fill in the word "Die"
  - \* To die without God's pardon will mean eternal separation from Him.
  - \* That is why we will all die physically, for "the wages of sin is death."
5. Draw in the black line over the word "sin" showing separation
  - \* Heaven is perfect, only perfect people can go there
  - \* Imperfect people are not found in heaven

Transition Statement:

Because the punishment for sin is death, God sent his Son, Jesus Christ, to take our death penalty.

## Bottom Left Box: Christ

In order to be perfect, we must have our sins forgiven

- \* We cannot save ourselves
- \* Only God, through what Jesus did on the cross and by His coming to life again can save us
- \* This forgiveness is ours for the asking, but we must ask in order to receive

# Explain the Gospel: Who Jesus is and why He came to earth

## 1. Draw in the cross, crown of thorns, nails, and blood.

- \* We are all guilty and totally unable to save ourselves. God saw that we could never come to Him, so in His love, He came to us.
- \* Almost 2000 years ago, he came to earth, and broke through the barrier of sin.
- \* He broke the barrier of sin by dying on the cross as the sacrifice for our sins.
- \* Christ was more than a man. He was born through a virgin. He lived a sinless life. He did miracles ... opening the eyes of the blind..calming the sea ... raising the dead ... casting out demons. He said, "He that has seen Me has seen the Father.." (John 14:9).
- \* Jesus said, "I and the Father are one" (John 10:30). He was the God Man ... God the Son. Why did He come? For one purpose.. to die for the sins of all mankind. It was not the nails that held Him to the cross, but His love. He had the power to come off the cross anytime He wished. But He knew there was no other way to save us.
- \* God's justice demanded that our sins be punished, but God's mercy provided a substitute for us in Jesus Christ. "He was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities..." (Isaiah 53:5).
- \* God "has made Him, who knew no sin, to be sin for us, that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him" (2 Cor. 5:21).

## 2. Add the two crosses

- \* Jesus died on the cross between two criminals - they deserved death, Jesus did not. He was innocent but chose to die so we could live - through Him.
- \* The blood of Jesus Christ can cleanse us from all our sins (1 John 1:7).

## 3. Draw in the tomb for the resurrection

- \* Christ said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life; no man comes to the Father, but by me." (John 14:6).
- \* He was buried. Three days later, He arose from the grave. His last command to His followers was to take His message of salvation to the whole world. Whoever would repent and believe, would receive eternal life.

Transition Statement:

There are only two choices about what to do with Jesus...

## Bottom Right Box: Choice

1. Fill in the hearts ("SELF" on left and "JESUS" on right)

\* We are born selfish (SELF)

- We are the boss of our life until we turn it over to God
- It is easy to do wrong things, because sin and selfishness are ruling
- Without God's help, it is impossible to always do the right thing

\* With God's help, He can do the right things through us (JESUS)

3. How can we do what pleases God since on our own we are not able?

4. Fill in the words "**Turn**" and "**Trust**"

\* First, you must be willing to let God change the direction of your life. Instead of going your way, TURN. You must turn to go God's way. Christ said, "Unless you repent, you shall ... perish" (Luke 13:3).

\* Secondly, TRUST, you must trust Christ as your Savior, When you do this, Christ will enter your life. You will receive the new birth. He will live within and give you His peace, love, hope and pardon. You will live forever in the presence of God.

- The Bible says, "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life (John 3:16). At the Judgement, many will stand before Christ and say, "Lord ... in your name we have done many wonderful works..." And Christ will say to them; "I never knew you; depart from me... (Matt. 7:22-23).

- The Bible says, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and thou shalt be saved. . ." (Acts 16:31).

Conclusion:

1. Does He know you? Do you know Him? Which is your heart? Which side are you on? Who is in control of your life?

2. If you find yourself on the broad road to destruction, and you want to cross over to the narrow road to life, you can do that right now if you are willing to turn from your sins and trust in what Jesus did through his death, burial and rising from the dead.

3. Lead in prayer.

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