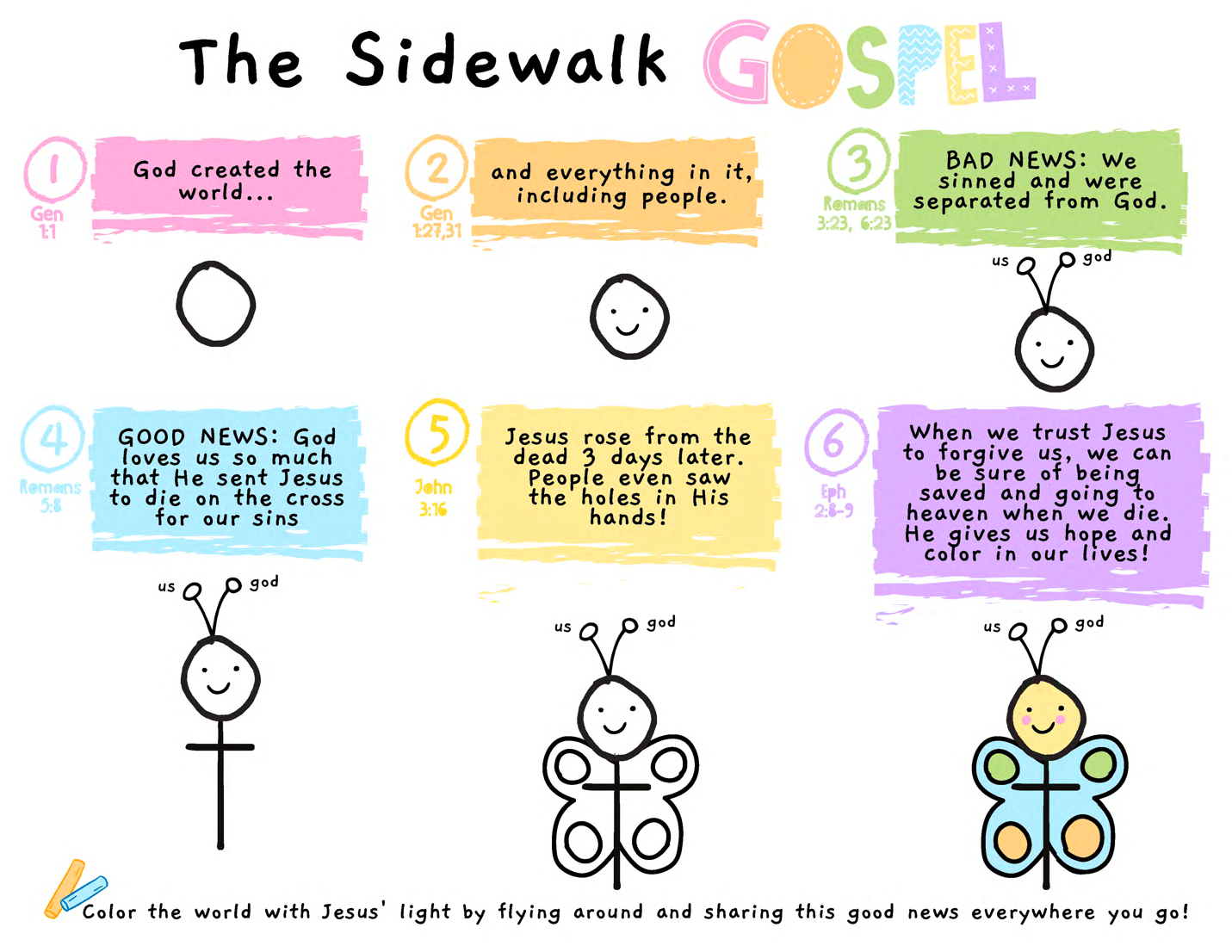
**The Sidewalk Gospel**

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The Sidewalk Gospel is a great way to not only teach the gospel to children but also show them how to share it with others. You can use it on a regular Sunday or as an activity at a special event throughout the year.

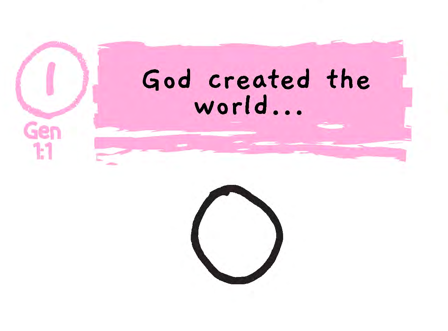
**NOTE**: ALL Bible verses are in the New International Readers Version (unless otherwise noted).

**SUPPLIES**

 Print one Chalk Gospel per child

 Chalk – enough for each child (preferably at least 3-4 colors)

 Enough sidewalk space for each child to draw a butterfly

**DEMONSTRATE**

**1. Draw a circle** (approximately 8-10” in diameter).

As you draw, say, “God created the world.”

Genesis 1:1 “In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.”

**2. Draw two eyes and a smile.**

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Say: “And everything in it, including people.”

Genesis 1:27 *“So God created human beings in his own likeness. He created them to be like himself. He created them as male and female.”*

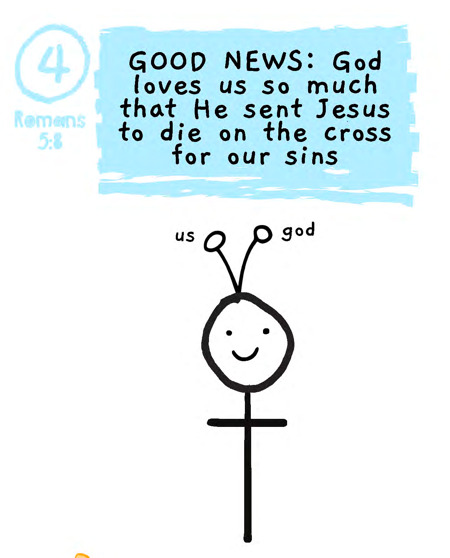
Genesis 1:31 *“God saw everything he had made. And it was very good.”*

**3. Draw two antennae.** Label one “us” and the other one “God.”

Say: There is some bad news. We have all sinned and are separated from God.

Romans 3:23 *“For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.”*

Romans 6:23 *“For the wages of sin is death...”*

****4. Draw a cross**

Say: But there is good news, too. God loves us so much that He sent Jesus to die on the cross for our sins.

Romans 5:8 *“...While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.*”

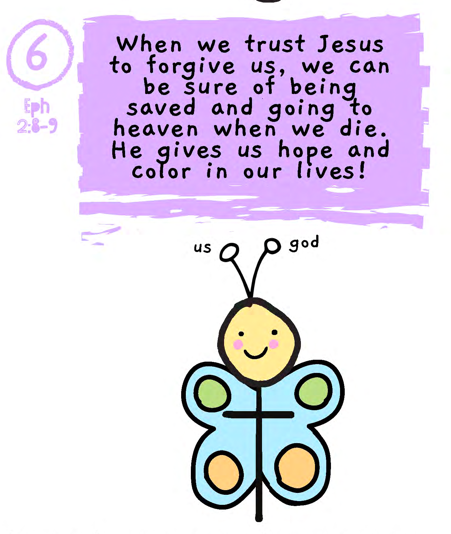


**5. Draw a “3”** on the right side and say, “Jesus rose from the dead 3 days later.”

Draw a backward “3” on the other side.

Draw 4 circles and say,” People even saw the holes in his hands.”

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

**6. Color in your butterfly.**

Say: When we trust Jesus to forgive us, we can be sure of being saved and going to heaven when we die.

He gives us hope and color in our lives.

Ephesians 2:8-9 “*God’s grace has saved you because of your faith in Christ. Your salvation doesn’t come from anything you do. It is God’s gift. It is not based on anything you have done. No one can brag about earning it*.”

Choose one student to demonstrate how to draw the butterfly while you speak the instructions. Then, have all of your children practice.

Suggestion: Invite the parents to watch while their children draw and encourage the children to share the gospel with them.

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