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Key Passage:
For the wages of sin is death,
but the free gift
of God is eternal life in
Christ Jesus our Lord.

1. What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
2. What does this story teach me about myself?
3. Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
4. Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
5. How does this story help me to live on mission better?

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Unit 9 • Session 6

GOD TAKES SIN SERIOUSLY

Ephesians 2

WHAT IS THE FAIR PAYMENT FOR SIN? THE FAIR PAYMENT FOR SIN IS DEATH.

Paul wrote a letter to the church in Ephesus. Paul taught that God takes sin seriously.

People are different before they trust in Jesus and after they trust in Jesus. Paul wrote, "Before you knew Jesus, you were dead in your sins. We all lived like that, doing whatever felt right to us."

The Bible says the fair punishment for sin is death. People who do not trust in Jesus face spiritual death too; they are separated from God forever. This is very sad news.

But God's plan for people is good news. Paul wrote, "But God, who is full of mercy, made us alive with Christ! You were saved by grace!" Everyone who trusts in Jesus will have life with God forever!

Then Paul explained, "God raised us up with Christ and gave us a seat with Him in the heavens."

Paul wrote, "For you are saved by grace through faith, and this is not from yourselves: it is God's gift—not from works, so that no one can boast. We are God's masterpiece, created in Christ Jesus to do the good works God has prepared for us to do."

Christ Connection: God takes sin seriously. People deserve to die for their sins, but God loves us and sent His Son, Jesus, to defeat death by dying on the cross for our sins and rising from the dead. Everyone who trusts in Jesus has eternal life.

My child has completed the Christ Connection on his/her own and has discussed it with me:

Parent Signature: _____