SALVATION SHARE SQUARE SCRIPT

(This is written for group salvation response time. Adapt if using with only one child)

JESUS LOVES ME

 Hold up the Salvation Share Square showing Picture 1: God Creates the World

Everyone, please look at the first picture of the world. Jesus' plan for us started all the way back at the creation of the world. He wants everyone to know and love Him. The Bible verse John 3:16 tells us how much God loves us. "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."

I HAVE SINNED

• Show Picture 2: Adam and Eve

Adam and Eve chose to disobey God. After that, every person who has ever been born has disobeyed Him. That's called sin, and sin separates us from God. The Bible verse Romans 3:23 says, "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."

Jesus' love for us endures even when we make mistakes. That's why He came to live on earth. Jesus was born so we could be forgiven of our sins. He knew that every person would mess up and disobey God. No matter how hard we try, we can't live a life without sin. But Jesus did. While He was on earth, He lived a sinless life. He never disobeyed God, not even once.

JESUS DIED FOR ME

Because Jesus is perfect, He could pay the price for everyone else's sins. He was ready to respond in order to make a way for us to have a relationship with Him. But first He had to go through a horrible death.

• Display Picture 3: Jesus on the Cross.

People rejected Jesus and nailed Him to a cross. Look at how He bled from the nail holes. He chose to let them do that to Him just for you and for me. He chose to die for us because He loves us.

"But God demonstrates his own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." Romans 5:8

Jesus was ready to respond, so we can be forgiven. Jesus is willing to forgive each of us. He will forgive our sins if we just choose to ask Him. He will live in us, changing us from the inside out to be like Him.

• Display Picture 4: Choosing to Follow Jesus.









I CAN CHOOSE TO FOLLOW JESUS.

Jesus will forgive our sins if we just choose to ask Him. He will live in us, changing us from the inside out to be like Him. If we tell Jesus we love Him, if we admit to Him we have done wrong things, and if we ask Him to forgive those wrong things, He will.

Your mistakes are no longer there because Jesus forgave you. He died on the Cross so the mistakes that you made can be wiped away. But the choice is up to you. You must choose to respond to Jesus and invite Jesus into your life.

In the Bible, Romans 10:9 says, "If you declare with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved."

PRAYER

If you are ready to respond to Jesus, I'll lead us in prayer. Everyone, bow your head and close your eyes. Pray with me if you would like to accept Jesus' invitation.

- Start your prayer by saying, "Dear Jesus." (pause)
- "Now just tell Him in your own words that you are sorry for the wrong things you have done." (pause)
- "Tell Jesus that you believe He is God's Son, and that you want Him to come into your life and live inside you." (pause)
- "Tell Him you are glad that you are now a part of His family." (pause)
- "Finish your prayer by saying, 'Amen.'" (Short pause)

If you accepted Jesus' invitation today for the first time, I would like you to raise your hand so we can celebrate your decision with you.

• Have a round of applause for those who raise their hands.

We'd like to know how you responded to Jesus, so you're going to get a card to fill out.

- · Give kids a few minutes to fill out a Decision Card.
- Confirm that each Decision Card includes the name and address of each kid for proper follow-up.

Accepting His invitation and choosing to follow Jesus is the most important thing you'll ever do.

