

# KNOW AND TELL THE GOSPEL

Part 5: Box 4 The Death of Jesus

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## INTRODUCTION

## EXERCISE

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*Learn the pictures, words and Bible verses for boxes 4, 5 and 6.*

### Two Ways To Live Outline

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# BOX 4: THE DEATH OF JESUS

## WHY IT MATTERS

### THE MAIN IDEAS

#### 1. Jesus and God

*2 Corinthians 5:18 All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation.*

#### 2. Jesus and Man

*Hebrews 2:14-18 Since the children have flesh and blood, he too shared in their humanity so that by his death he might destroy him who holds the power of death—that is, the devil and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by their fear of death. For surely it is not angels he helps, but Abraham’s descendants. 17 For this reason he had to be made like his brothers in every way, in order that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in service to God, and that he might make atonement for the sins of the people. 18 Because he himself suffered when he was tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.*

#### 3. Righteousness

*Romans 3:21-26*

Redemption

Sacrifice



Justice

## WHAT THE WORLD THINKS

1. Why can't God just forgive?

2. Morally wrong

*"the mysterious unity of the Father and Son rendered it possible for God at once to endure and to inflict penal suffering"*

R W Dale

*"There is neither harsh injustice nor unprincipled love nor Christological heresy...there us only unfathomable mercy. For in order to save us in such a way as to satisfy himself, God through Christ substituted himself for us... the cross was not...a punishment of a meek Christ by a harsh and punitive Father; nor a procurement of salvation by a loving Christ from a mean and reluctant Father; nor an action of the Father which bypassed Christ as Mediator. Instead, the righteous, loving Father humbled himself to become in and through his only Son flesh, sin and a curse for us, in order to redeem us without compromising his own character."*

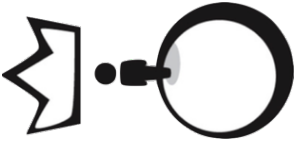
John Stott, The Cross of Christ

3. An example of love

## CONCLUSION




# Two Ways To Live Outline



**1. God is the loving ruler of the world.  
He made the world.  
He made us rulers of the world under him.**

*"You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honour and power, for you created all things and by your will they were created and have their being"*  
Revelation 4:11

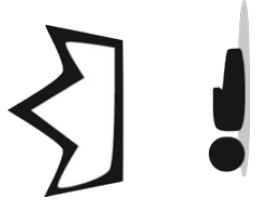
**But is that the way it is now?**



**2. We all reject the ruler - God - by trying to run life our own way without him.  
But we fail to rule ourselves or society or the world.**

*"There is no-one righteous, not even one; there is no-one who understands, no-one who seeks God. All have turned away."* Romans 3:10-12

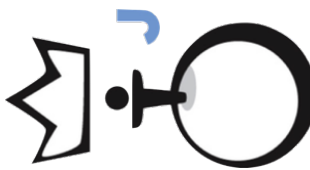
**What will God do about this rebellion?**



**3. God wont let us rebel for ever,  
God's punishment for rebellion is death and judgment.**

*"Man is destined to die once, and after that to face judgment."* Hebrews 9:27

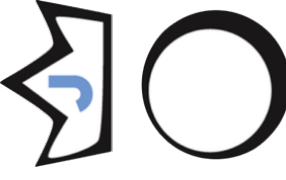
**God's justice sounds hard. But..**



**4. Because of his love, God sent his son into the world: the man Jesus Christ.  
Jesus always lived under God's rule.  
Yet by dying in our place he took our punishment and brought forgiveness.**

*"Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God."* 1 Peter 3:18

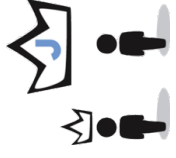
**But that's not all...**



**5. God raised Jesus to life again as the ruler of the world.  
Jesus has conquered death, now gives life, and will return to judge.**

*"In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead."* 1 Peter 1:3

**Well where does that leave us?**



**6. The two ways to live**

**A) Our way: reject the ruler - God.  
Result: Condemned by God, facing death and judgment.**

**B) God's new way: Submit to Jesus as our ruler. Rely on Jesus' death and resurrection.  
Result: Forgiven by God, Given eternal life.**

*"Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life, but whoever rejects the Son will not see life, for God's wrath remains on him."* John 3: 36

**Which of these represents the way you want to live?**