

SCRIPTURE



Clue #1

Let's say you wanted to find Ecclesiastes 11:9.

First find the *book*. Turn to the Table of Contents at the front of your Bible. Look for the name of the book. Is it in the Old Testament or the New Testament? On what page does the book start? Turn to that page. (Be sure you're in the right testament!)

Clue #2

Next find the *chapter number*. For Ecclesiastes 11:9, you want to find chapter 11.

Clue #3

Finally find the *verse number*. In a Good News Bible, verse 9 is right after the heading "Advice to Young People." Read the verse aloud: that's Ecclesiastes 11:9!

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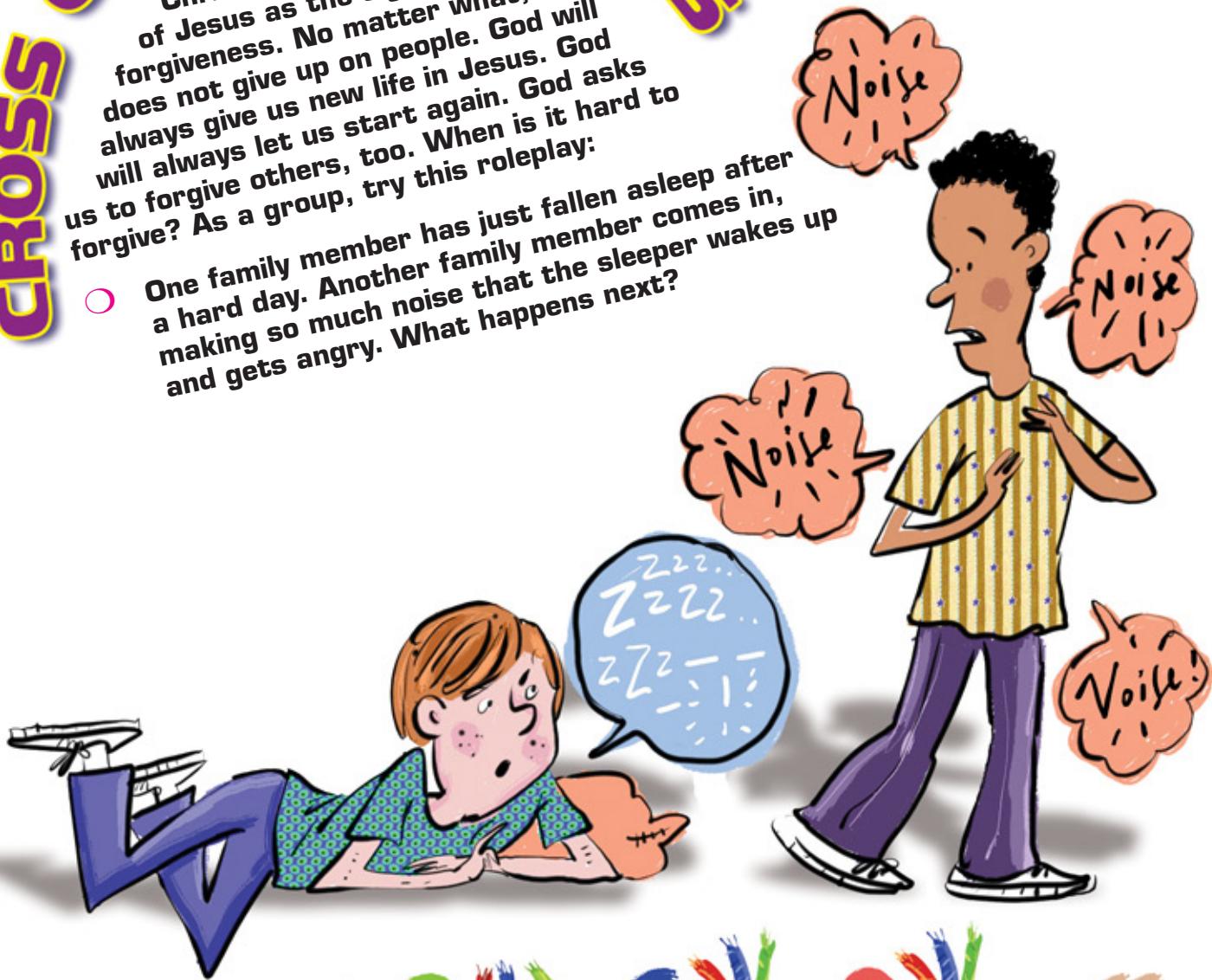


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CROSS OF FORGIVENESS

Christians see the cross of Jesus as the sign of God's forgiveness. No matter what, God does not give up on people. God will always give us new life in Jesus. God will always let us start again. God asks us to forgive others, too. When is it hard to forgive? As a group, try this roleplay:

- One family member has just fallen asleep after a hard day. Another family member comes in, making so much noise that the sleeper wakes up and gets angry. What happens next?



A Friendship Bracelet



You can make a friendship bracelet to give to a friend.

- To start, cut three pieces of thin yarn. Each piece should be 24" long.
- Tie the three pieces of yarn together at one end.
- Braid the three pieces until the bracelet fits around your friend's wrist. Tie off.