

Lesson #2-36**Death, the Last Enemy**

1 Corinthians 15:1-26, 51-57

**Key Verse:**

But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Corinthians 15:57

The Point:

We can rejoice since the risen Christ will destroy death forever.

Unit Theme (May 17—May 31)

The Power of God's Love

Overcoming Death Mural

Jesus' love overcomes death.

You will need:

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| † Mural paper | † Glue |
| † Black marker | † Paintbrushes |
| † Markers or crayons | † Optional: Activity Sheet, paper, construction paper, scissors, tape |
| † Tissue squares | |
| † Paper cups | |

Preparation:

1. For home use, participants can use as large a paper as they have, including taping multiple pieces of paper together. The Activity Sheet can be used as a guide or as the final product. If tissue paper is not available, pieces of construction paper can be used, or the heart can be colored with markers or crayons.
2. On the mural paper or alternative, draw a large cross overlaid by the outline of heart, see the Activity Sheet for an example.
3. Cut tissue paper into one or two inch squares. Mix glue and water with a 1:1 ratio in the cups.

Instructions:

1. **God loves us so much that God sent Jesus to die for all of us. And God's love is so powerful that Jesus rose again. This love is big and powerful and will never leave us. We are going to work together to create a picture to remind us that even death is not as strong as the love of God.**
2. **We will start by coloring the cross using dark colors.** Allow participants to color in the cross with dark markers or crayons.
3. **This dark-colored cross reminds us of the darkness and sadness of death. But God's love is stronger than death, so we are going to fill in this heart with brightly colored tissue paper.**
4. Give participants supplies and urge them to work together to fill in the heart with color.
5. **Let's end with a prayer together: Dear God, thank you for sending Jesus to die for us. Thank you for loving us so much that even death cannot win. Amen.**

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