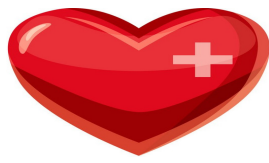


God



**God loves me.** With all my anxieties, faults, insecurities, he loves me and he loves you and he loves

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**The world so much** - God 's love knows no borders, no boundaries. He loves everyone in the world whatever their nationality, ethnicity, culture, religion, orientation. He does not like what we often do but he loves us so much that

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**He gave** God knows we can't change ourselves, nor can we satisfy him so he offers us salvation as a gift to be received, just like a Christmas present.

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**He gave his one and only son.** Salvation does not come as a package wrapped in colourful paper or as a vaccination, it comes in the person of Jesus. We celebrate his coming into the world because he brings hope and light. He is the light of the world. Hence the candle. He is also the sacrifice for our sin, hence the red band round the orange. Sin is atoned for by Jesus coming and dying in our place. So our Christingle ties Christmas and Easter together because they are inseparable.

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**That whoever believes in him.** We have a choice. God does not force himself on us. He asks us to believe in Jesus. To trust him that our sins are forgiven, to trust that when we receive him we receive the Holy Spirit and we are given eternal life.

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The choice is stark. If you believe in Jesus you

**Shall not perish.** We believe that sin is more serious than COVID as sin blocks our way to eternal life.

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**John 3:16**

**But** if we believe in him we **have eternal life.** Here the fruits represent the fruits of the earth. But the outcome of believing in Jesus is eternal life with Jesus.

**Rehearse the verse.**

**Pray.**

**Offer prayer or further conversation.**