



REDEEMER FAMILY DEVOTIONAL

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Rejoice and be glad, for your father invites you into his loving presence. Use this devotional as you are able, in whole or in part.

OPENING PRAYER

Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart, and especially the hearts of the people of this land, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (BCP 823)

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 3:23-26

²³ for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴ and all are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus. ²⁵ God presented Christ as a sacrifice of atonement, through the shedding of his blood—to be received by faith. He did this to demonstrate his righteousness, because in his forbearance he had left the sins committed beforehand unpunished— ²⁶ he did it to demonstrate his righteousness at the present time, so as to be just and the one who justifies those who have faith in Jesus.

REFLECTION QUESTIONS

1. Who has sinned and fallen short of God's glory?

2. Why did God send Jesus to die on the cross?

3. Have you ever gotten something you don't deserve? For example, have you disobeyed your parents, yet they still allowed you a privilege: a trip to the playground, dessert, or not getting grounded? How did you feel receiving this privilege?

KID'S CATECHISM #44

Q: Why can't anyone be saved through the covenant of life?

A: Because all have broken it and are condemned by it.

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

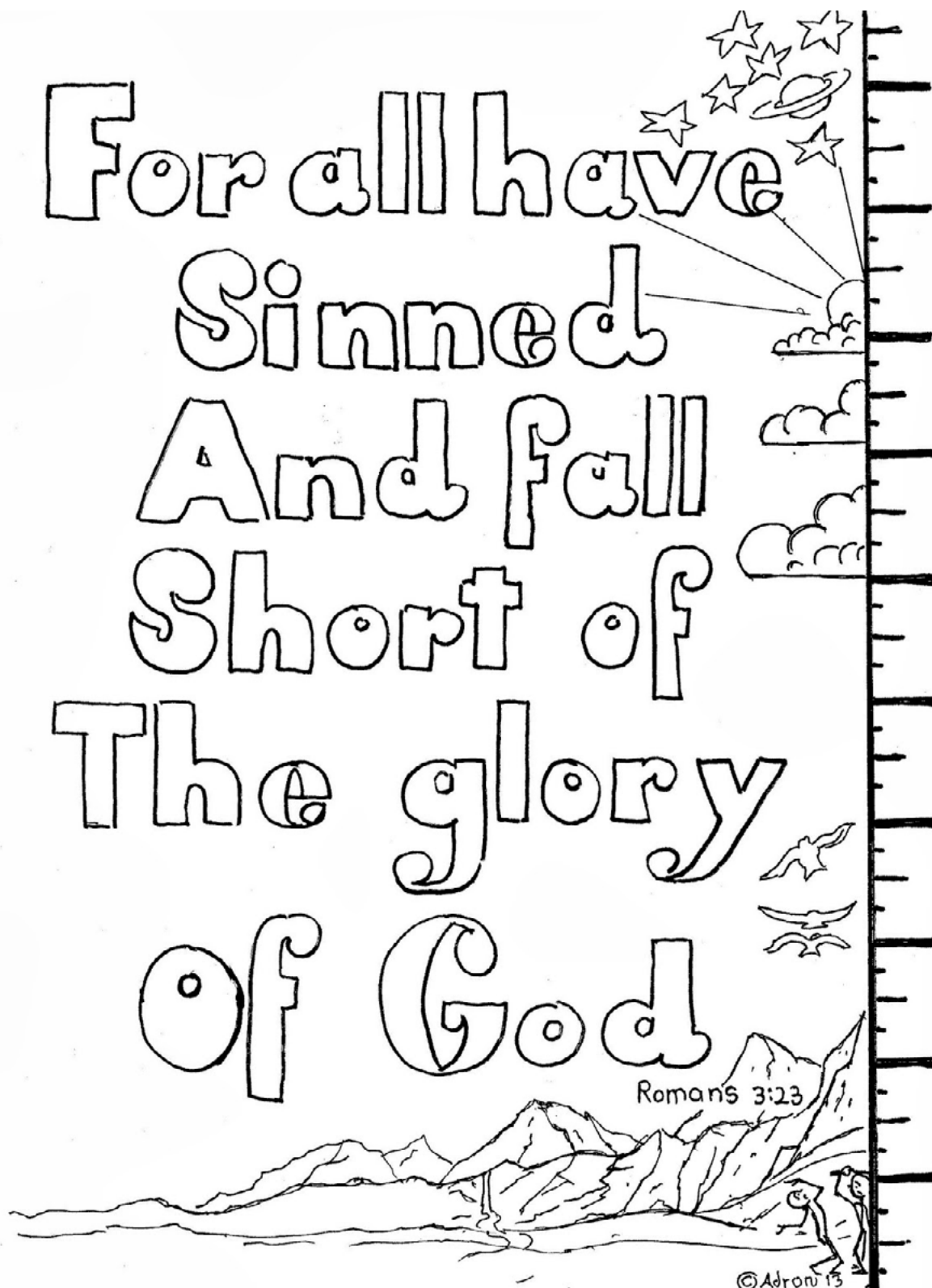
Neighborhood

- ▶ Help us to remember to pray for those in our neighborhood, even those that we don't know: the business owners, residents and school children.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

ACTIVITY

Color an image from Romans 3:23.



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