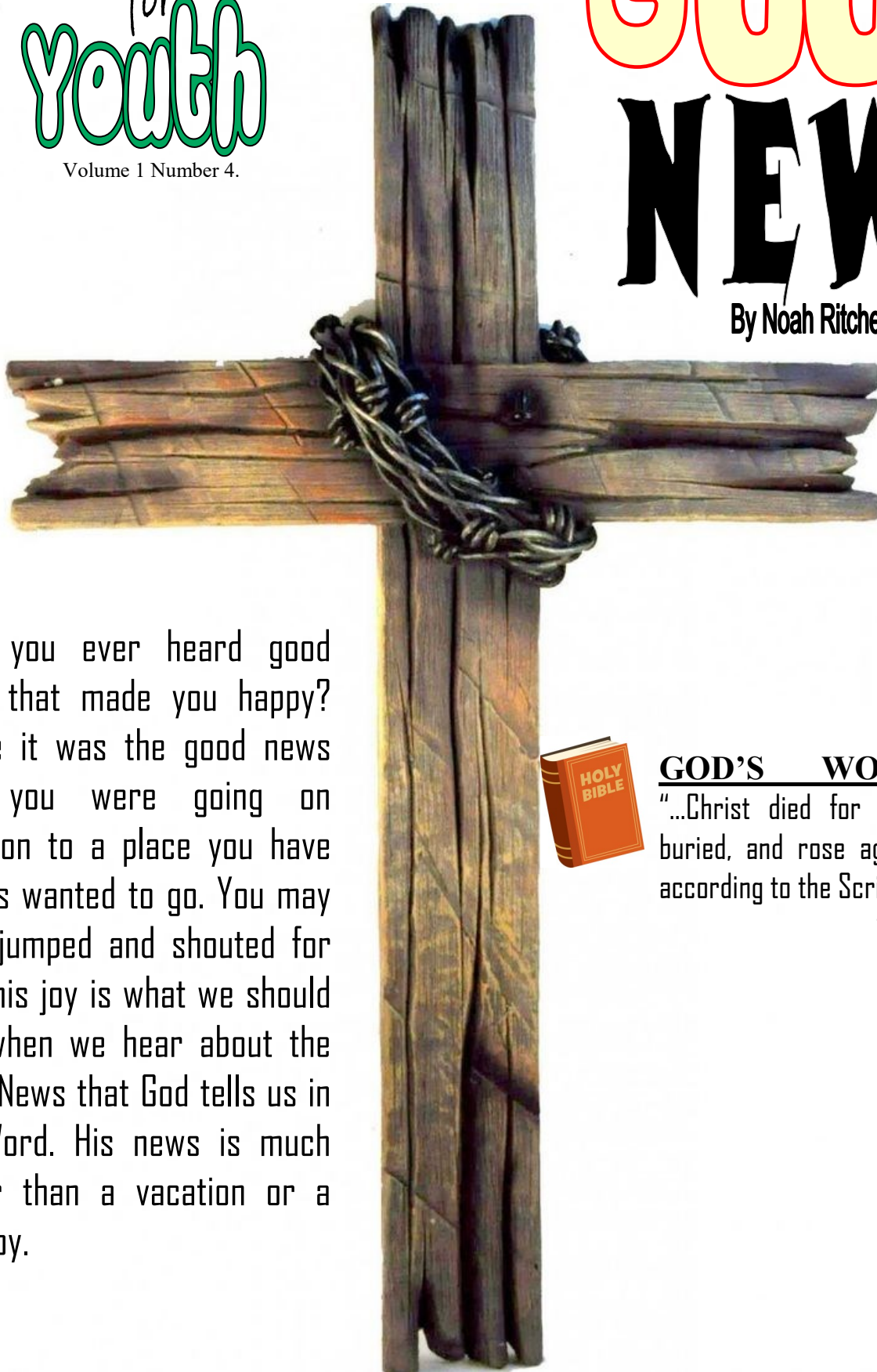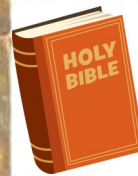# TRUTH for Youth

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GOOD NEWS

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Have you ever heard good news that made you happy? Maybe it was the good news that you were going on vacation to a place you have always wanted to go. You may have jumped and shouted for joy. This joy is what we should feel when we hear about the Good News that God tells us in His Word. His news is much better than a vacation or a new toy.

GOD'S WORD SAYS:
"...Christ died for our sins...He was buried, and rose again the third day according to the Scriptures."

1 Corinthians 15:3-4

The Bad News

"You....were dead in trespasses and sins..."
Ephesians 2:1

First, the bad news. Adam and Eve were the first people God created, but they disobeyed God. When they did, sin entered the world. Romans 3:23 says, "All have sinned and fallen short of God's glory." You were born spiritual dead in trespasses and sins. This is bad news! God cannot allow sin into Heaven, and all of us were born sinners.

The Sad News

"Christ died for the ungodly"
Romans 5:6

Next, the sad news. The perfect Son of God had to come to the earth as a newborn baby. Jesus Christ came to die for the sins of everyone in the world. He was beaten, made fun of, whipped, and spit on. Then, He was nailed to a cross. He hung there for hours in pain. Finally, He said, "It is finished." They stabbed Him with a spear to make sure He was dead.
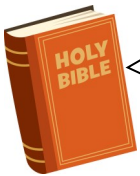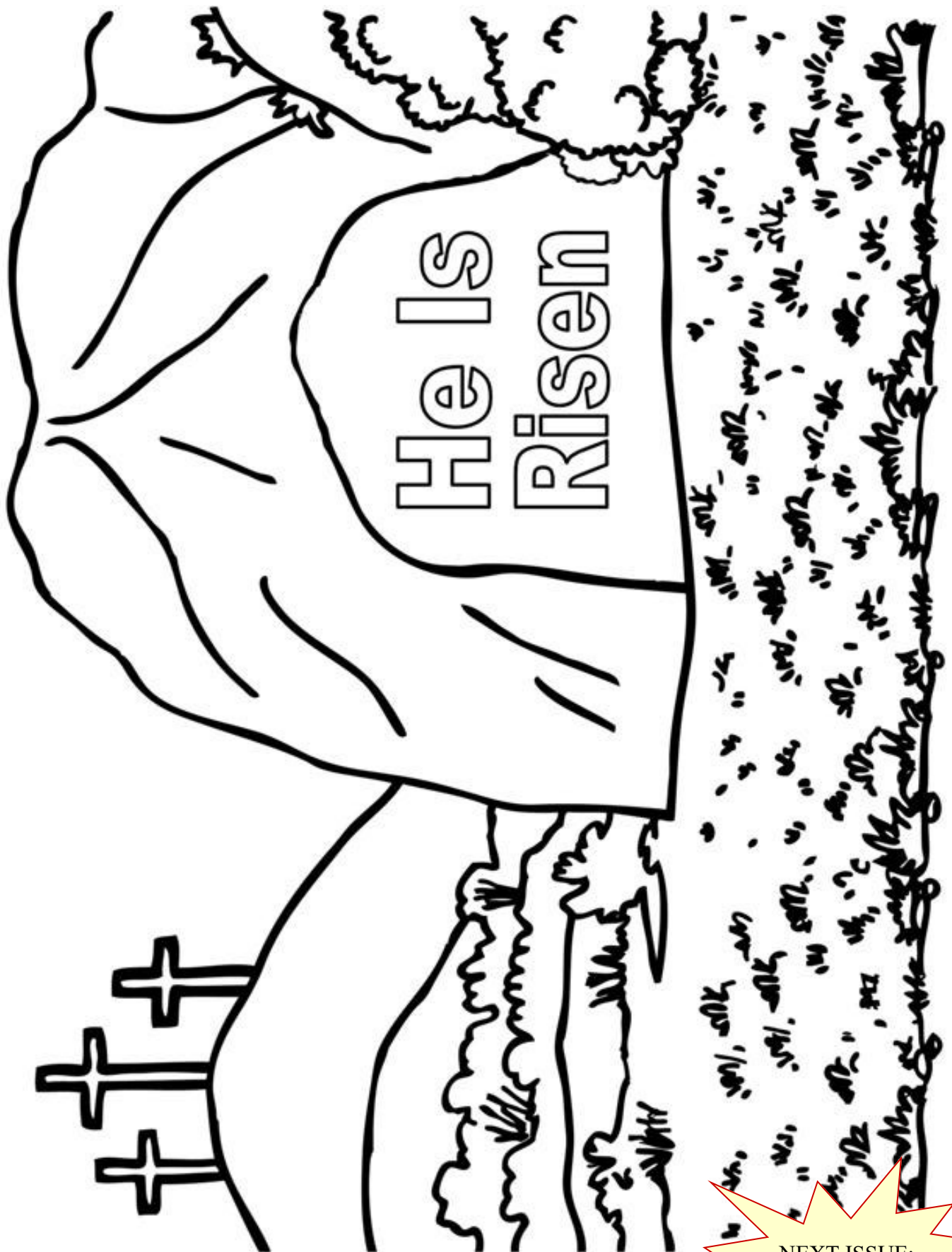
The Good News

They took Jesus' body, buried Him, and sealed the tomb. Soldiers were placed at the tomb to make sure no one stole Jesus' body. After three days had passed, Jesus rose from the dead. The stone was rolled away, and Jesus walked out of the tomb. He had risen from the grave and defeated death!

God loved us and sent His Son to die for our sins on the cross, be buried and come back to life. We can be forgiven and have a home in Heaven if we will just trust in Jesus Christ. Have you trusted in Him?

He Is Risen