

## IPEAR for Salvation Poem

**Introduction:** I have the best news ever for you today! It's better than a pizza party, better than going to a theme park, better than getting to eat chocolate for breakfast! Listen to this song and see if you can figure out what it is!

**Presentation:** (*Sing the song for children*)

**Explanation:** *Jesus, You died upon a cross and rose again to save the lost*—Before we get to the Good News, we have to talk about the bad news. You are lost in your sin. Sin is the things you think, say and do that go against God. Sin separates you from God. It's like being lost with no way to be found on your own. But here's the Good News! Jesus, God's perfect Son, became a man so the lost could be found. He lived a perfect life—never once saying, thinking or doing anything wrong. Even though He'd never done anything wrong, He allowed men to nail Him to a cross where He died. This was the only way for people like you and me who are lost in our sin could be found, or saved. Jesus is the only one who could do this. He came alive again three days later! This is the best news ever!

*Forgive me now of all my sin come be my Savior, Lord and Friend*—Once you know that Jesus died and came alive again, you can choose to believe in Him. When you believe in Jesus He forgives your sin; He saves you so you are no longer lost! Jesus can be your Lord (the one who deserves your complete obedience) and your Friend. He has promised to never leave those who believe in Him!

*Change my life and make it new, and help me, Lord, to live for You*—Jesus is so amazing that once someone believes in Him He can change their life! He can help people not sin and help them to live their lives to please God instead of sinning and pleasing themselves.

**Application:** *Saved:* If you have believed in Jesus as your Savior, Jesus has changed your life! He can help you each day to live for Him because He is your Friend. He will help you love Him more and more. As you get to know Him, your love for Him will grow and you will begin to see your life change!

*Unsaved:* If you have not believed in Jesus, then this Good News is for you! Today you can believe that Jesus died on the cross and rose again so you don't have to be lost in your sin. Will you believe in Jesus today as your Savior?

**Repetition:** (*Sing the song several times with children*)