



## Unit 26, Session 5

# Jesus' Crucifixion

Matthew 26–27; John 18–19

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**Story Point:** Jesus died on the cross to pay for our sins.

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Jesus stood before Pilate, the governor. Pilate asked Him, “Are You the King of the Jews?” Jesus answered, “Yes, that’s right.” Then the religious leaders made accusations against Jesus, but Jesus did not say anything.

Pilate asked, “Then what should I do with Jesus, who is called the Messiah?”

The crowd answered, “Crucify Him!”

Pilate asked, “Why? What has He done wrong?”

But the crowd kept shouting, “Crucify Him!”

Pilate’s soldiers took off Jesus’ clothes and put a scarlet robe on Him. They made a crown of thorns and put it on His head. Then they hit Jesus and mocked Him. “Hail, King of the Jews!” they said.

The soldiers nailed Jesus to a cross. They put a sign above His head that said: THIS IS JESUS, THE KING OF THE JEWS. Two criminals were crucified next to Him.

Jesus cried out, “My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?” Jesus shouted again with a loud voice, “It is finished!” Then Jesus died. Jesus was buried in a rich man’s tomb cut into a rock. A stone was sealed in front of the tomb and Roman soldiers stood guard so that no one could steal Jesus’ body.

*Christ Connection: We deserve to die because of our sin, but God loves us and kept His promise to send a Savior. Jesus never sinned, but He died in our place. He was the blood sacrifice made once and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Jesus rose from the dead on the third day, and those who trust in Him have forgiveness and eternal life.*



## EXPERIENCE the Story

*The Bible tells us what is true about God and about ourselves. All of the stories in the Bible fit together to tell us the big story of how God rescues sinners through His Son, Jesus.*

- Circle the correct words or phrases to tell the story of Jesus' death.

Pilate's soldiers put a scarlet robe / coat on Jesus. They made a crown of gold / thorns and put it on His head. Then they hit Jesus and mocked Him. "Hail, King of the Jews!" they said.

The soldiers nailed Jesus to a cross. Two / ten criminals were crucified next to Him. Jesus cried out, "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?" Jesus shouted again with a loud voice, "It is finished!"

Then Jesus died / disappeared. He was buried in a rich man's tomb cut into a rock. A stone was sealed in front of the tomb and Roman children / soldiers stood guard so that no one could steal Jesus' body.

- What does this story teach us about God?
- How did Jesus respond to the accusations against Him?

## CHRIST CONNECTION

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## APPLY the Story

- What is the cost of sin?
- The Bible says that the curtain in the temple sanctuary split in two. Why is this important?
- Since Jesus died on the cross to pay for our sins, what must we do?

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## APPLY the Story

- Find Philippians 2:8 in your Bible and write the words below.

- Write a prayer to God, thanking Him taking the curse of sin for us and giving us a new life in Him. Pray for boldness to share the good news of the gospel with others.

### READ THE WORD

Read one of the following passages each day this week:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Acts 2:23      | <input type="checkbox"/> Romans 5:8  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Romans 3:25-26 | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 John 4:10 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ephesians 5:2  | <input type="checkbox"/> John 3:16   |