

Topic: Jesus' crucifixion, death, and burial

Opening Prayer:

Bible Passage(s): John 19: 1 – 42

Share:

- How did your chosen verse influence you?
- What is the most humiliating situation that you can imagine?

Hear:

[Silence] John 19: 1 – 16; 17 – 27; 27 – 37; 38 – 42 [silence]

Explore:

- Why did the Jews insist that Jesus have to die?
- How did the Jews pressure Pilate to give in to their demand to crucify Jesus? How did Pilate respond to these tactics?
- What amazing statement did the Jewish leaders make in v. 15?
- What did the soldiers do to Jesus?
- How did the chief priests want Pilate to change the sign over Jesus' head?

Why?

What happened to Jesus' clothes? Why is this significant?

- What did Jesus ask for in the last minutes of His life?
- What was fulfilled by the circumstances of Jesus' death?
- Why were Joseph and Nicodemus secret disciples?

Connect:

- How important are the historical eyewitness accounts of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection to your faith in Him?
- What did Jesus' mean when He said, "It is finished"?
- When have you taken a stand that you were previously afraid to take?

Prepare:

- How can you thank Jesus today for His sacrifice on the cross?
- Choose verse for the week. [suggested: Galatians 2:20. I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.]

Community Building:

- Faithtalk: Memories

Closing Prayer: Circle prayer

Music/Worship: Karen

Discussion: Upcoming events/schedule.

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