



In today's lesson, your child learned that **Jesus Came to Save Sinners!**

Jesus and the disciples went to a garden to pray. The disciples fell asleep, but Jesus stayed awake to talk to God the Father in the garden. Jesus prayed and prayed because He knew it was almost time for Him to die and He knew it would not be easy.

The leaders in Jerusalem did not love and trust Jesus. They wanted to kill Him. They gave Judas, one of Jesus' disciples, money so he would tell them where Jesus was. Judas led those people to the garden where Jesus was praying. When they found Jesus, they wrapped the rope around His arms to take Him away. Jesus had the power to make them stop, but He chose to go with them. Jesus knew it was time to die on the cross for sin. **Jesus Came to Save Sinners!**

The leaders hated Jesus. God does not want you to hate anyone. Hating people is a sin. They showed that they hated Jesus by hurting Him. They took a long piece of leather called a whip and hit Jesus with it on His back. They made a crown of thorns to put on Jesus' head. They laughed at Jesus as they put it on His head. Jesus had cuts and blood all over His body.

Then they made Jesus carry a big, heavy cross on His back up a hill. They nailed Jesus' hands and feet to the cross. Jesus' mom and some of His friends watched Him as He died. They were very sad. **"Then Jesus, calling out with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!" And having said this he breathed his last." Luke 23:46**

One of Jesus' friends took Jesus' body off of the cross and wrapped His body with cloth and put Him in a tomb. A tomb was a big hole, like a cave, where they would put someone's body when they died. They rolled a huge rock in front of Jesus' tomb so no one could see or take Jesus' body. That's not the end of the story. Three days later Jesus rose from the dead. **Jesus Came to Save Sinners!**

The Bible tells us that the punishment for sin is separation from God and death. Everyone is born with hearts that are sick with sin. Because Jesus lived a perfect life and never sinned, He took the punishment for sin when He died on the cross. God gives those who love and trust Jesus a healthy heart that is not separated from Him. **Jesus Came to Save Sinners!**

### Review & Discussion

1. Where did Jesus and His disciples go to pray? (To a garden)
2. Why did Jesus stay awake to pray? (Because He knew He was about to die and it would be hard)
3. How did Jesus talk to God the Father? (By praying)
4. What did they nail Jesus' hands and feet to? (A cross)
5. Why did Jesus let them do this? (**Jesus Came to Save Sinners!**)
6. Where was Jesus buried after He died and what was put in front of it? (A tomb and a huge rock)
7. Did Jesus stay dead? (NO! He rose from the dead on the third day)