PRE-K PARENT LESSON - 1-10

Session Title: Jesus' Crucifixion

Bible Passage: Matthew 26-27; John 18-19

Story Point: Jesus died on the cross for our sin.

Key Passage: Philippians 2:8 He humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death...on a cross. **Big Picture Question:** What did Jesus do to save us? Jesus died on the cross and rose from the dead.

Activity #1

Draw chalk crosses

Guide children to draw pictures of crosses on construction paper with the chalk. After they're done with the picture, gently spray the paper with hairspray in a well-ventilated area to set the drawing. Lay aside to dry. If weather permits, consider going outside to draw cross pictures on the sidewalks around your home.

Say • When we look at these crosses, we can remember how God loves us and kept His promise to send a Rescuer, His very own Son. Jesus never did anything wrong, but He died in our place. Jesus died on the cross for our sin. On the third day, Jesus rose from the dead. When we trust in Jesus, God forgives our sin and gives us life forever with Him.

Activity #2

Jump hurdles

Roll towels and arrange them on the floor around the room to create a simple hurdle course. Invite preschoolers to take turns walking around the room and jumping over the hurdles. Play music as they jump and move around the room.

Say • Hurdles are one of the sports athletes compete in at the Olympics. Real hurdles are very high off the ground. Sometimes runners have trouble getting over them. Missionaries sometimes have trouble with things like learning a new language or missing their families. Being a missionary is not easy, just like running a race or jumping a high hurdle is not easy. Let's pray for missionaries and ask God to help them as they tell people how Jesus did the hardest thing of all. **Jesus died on the cross for our sin.**

Review

Review the story with your children. Take time to look at the stories in Matthew and John. Talk about how **Jesus died on the cross for our sin** and rose from the dead on the third day.

Who was the governor Jesus was taken to? (Pilate)

What did Jesus say about the lies the religious leaders told about Him? (nothing; He kept quiet.)

What did the people say Pilate should do with Jesus? (crucify Him)

Why did the soldiers make fun of Jesus? (because they did not believe He was really a king)

What did the sign above Jesus' head say? (This is Jesus, the King of the Jews)

Where was Jesus buried after He died? (in a tomb)

What did Jesus do to save us? Jesus died on the cross and rose from the dead.