

JESUS' SACRIFICE

Timeless Truth: God gives eternal life to those who know Jesus Christ.

Bible Basis: Matthew 26:26–28, 33–35; 27:46–49; Luke 22:51, 55–62; 23:32–41; John 13:21–24, 25–30; 14:1–15; 18:4–10; 19:30

Key Verse: “Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God. Believe in me also.”
—John 14:1, NIV

Resource: *The Story for Little Ones*, Chapter 26: “Jesus’ Sacrifice”

PARENT TIPS

Read chapter 26 in *The Story for Little Ones* several times this week and talk about the key point. Reading the story several times will help your preschooler to remember it. Use the Table Talk questions to talk about the lesson. Use the questions anytime throughout the week, not just at the table. The Living Faith activity is designed to help your child experience a special dinner like the one Jesus had with his disciples. The Extra Mile ideas give you more ways to help your child remember the lesson.

GET THE POINT

Jesus died for our sins so we can live with him in heaven someday. I can accept his love.

TABLE TALK

- **What happened to Jesus in this Bible story?** (*Jesus had dinner with his friends, prayed in a garden, and died on a cross.*)
- **Why did Jesus die?** (*He died for our sins.*)
- **How did Jesus show he loves us?** (*By dying for our sins*)

LIVING FAITH

Jesus had a special dinner with his friends. Have a special meal with your family and friends this week. In Bible times, people ate with their hands while reclining on their left arm around a low table. Eat your special meal while sitting on the floor. Spread a plastic tablecloth on the ground or eat outside to minimize cleanup. Choose foods that you can eat easily with your hands, such as a sandwich. As you eat, talk about the special meal that Jesus had with his friends, the disciples. What happened when dinner was over?

EXTRA MILE

Jesus went to the garden to pray. Go to a garden or even to a plant inside to read this week's Bible story from *The Story for Little Ones* and then pray together.

Sing "Jesus Loves Me" this week. Learn all of the verses and the motions as well.

Read books about people showing love. How did Jesus show his love to us?

Use these motions to help your child remember the verse he learned in class.

God (*Point up.*)

Loved the world so much (*Hug yourself.*)

That he gave (*Act like you are giving someone a present.*)

His one and only Son. (*Hold up one finger.*)

John 3:16 (*Open hands like a book.*)