

# PRESCHOOL DISCUSSION GUIDE

## THIS WEEK'S STORY:

Jesus Dies on the Cross

**UNIT:** Easter

## UNIT MEMORY VERSE:

"But God showed His great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners."

Romans 5:8

## TEACHING TRUTH:

Jesus died to pay for our sins

**READ:** Matthew 27:15-61 or Mark 15

**OPTIONAL:** "The Sun Stops Shining" (pages 302-309) from [The Jesus Storybook Bible](#)

## WHAT DOES IT SAY? (OBSERVATION)

1. Did the leaders who were crucifying Jesus believe He was the Son of God? *(No, they did not.)*
2. What did Jesus have to carry on his back? *(The cross)*
3. What did Jesus cry out right before He died? *(He said, "It is finished.")*
4. What happened to the sky when Jesus died? *(It got very dark, even though it was daytime.)*

## WHY DOES IT MATTER? (APPLICATION)

1. Jesus could have gotten down from the cross, but He did not do this. Why do you think He chose to stay on the cross? *(He knew His death was the only way to pay for the sins of the whole world. He loved the world so much that He was willing to die for us.)*
2. What do you think God wants us to learn from this story? *(Let your kids answer and then bring them back to this week's Teaching Truth: Jesus died to pay for our sins.)*
3. Pray a short, simple prayer thanking God that He sent Jesus to die to pay for our sins.