

## **Crucifixion**

Section 9 – Lesson 12  
Sunday Morning - 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Grades

**PRAYER:** *Lead the class in prayer.*

**PRETIME:** Dot-to-dot of “Dying on the Cross & How Painful!”

**ATTENDENCE:** *(Have one student at a time place a sticker on their chart while the others complete the pre-time activity.)*

**DEFINITIONS:** Today’s Word - Scourged, and Crucified.

### **BIBLE STORY:**

Read the story from the booklets about Jesus’ crucifixion. Give each child a laminated copy of the booklet of the crucifixion story.

You may use items for the felt board if you like while presenting this lesson.

### **QUESTIONS:**

1. In our story today, who is being crucified?
2. Why?
3. Who betrayed Jesus, and told the bad people where to find Him?
4. Did they hurt Jesus?
5. What were some of the things they did to Jesus?
6. What did they make Jesus wear while they mocked Him?
7. What was the man’s name that helped Jesus carry the cross?
8. How many criminals were crucified along side of Jesus?
9. What did the sign say that they placed above His head?
10. Name some of Jesus’ friends and family that were there at the cross when Jesus was crucified.

**ACTIVITY:** Match the pictures sheet, and Crossword Puzzle.

**SONG:** “Jesus Loves Me”, and John 15:13.

### **MEMORY WORK:**

John 15:13

### **TAKE-HOME HANDOUT(S):**

Dot-to-dot of “Dying on the Cross & How Painful!”,  
Match the pictures sheet, and Crossword Puzzle,  
Booklet of the crucifixion story.

## Lesson 12 - The Crucifixion

Last week we learned about Jesus telling the apostles about the Lord's Supper. After the supper, Jesus took Peter, James, and John with him to the garden of Gethsemane so that he could pray, and the three fell asleep.

Peter, James, and John fell asleep three times! On the third time Jesus returned and found them sleeping and told them to arise that the time has come, the hour is here, when the Son of Man will be betrayed – He that betrays me is here.

Immediately, while Jesus was speaking, Judas came with a crowd carrying swords and clubs. Judas gave them a sign, saying: "The one I kiss is the man you must seize." When Judas kissed Jesus, those who were with Judas took hold of Jesus. Peter drew his sword and struck the servant of the high priest, and it cut off his ear. Jesus told Peter to put away his sword. Then Jesus touched the man's ear and it was healed.

They took Jesus to be tried, but he had done nothing wrong. They had many people that told lies about Jesus, but the council still could not find anything that Jesus had done wrong. Jesus didn't say a word at all until the high priest asked Jesus, "Now I ask you to tell us whether you are the Christ, the Son of God."

Jesus answered: "You have said so. In the days to come, the Son of Man will be at the right hand of power, coming on the clouds of heaven."

The high priest had his answer. He declared: "This man has spoken blasphemy. We need no more witnesses. You have heard him. What is your judgement?" They answered: "He deserves to die." Then they spat in his face and struck him and mocked him.

After that they took him to the Roman governor, Pontius Pilate. Pilate asked Jesus: "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered: "You have said so." The priests kept on accusing Jesus of wrong doing, so Pilate asked Jesus if he had an answer to their charges. Jesus did not respond. The Pilate said: "I find no fault with this man."

Pilate sent Jesus to Herod, ruler of Galilee, because Jesus was from Galilee. After Herod spoke with Jesus the soldiers mocked him and dressed him in fine clothes and sent him back to Pilate.

Pilate told the priests and scribes that it was a custom at this time of year for the governor to release on prisoner whom the crowd will name. He gave them the choice of releasing Jesus or Barabbas (a murderer and a thief). The crowd answered for him to release Barabbas! So, Pilate released Barabbas, and the crowd yelled for him to crucify Jesus.

Pilate sentenced Jesus to be crucified.

The soldiers of the governor took Jesus away. They braided a crown of thorns and placed it on his head, pushing it down. They put a reed in his hand and they mocked him by kneeling before him and saying: "Hail, bow down to him, for he is King of the Jews!" They spat on him and struck him. Then they led him away to Golgotha, called the Place of the Skull, to be crucified.

A heavy wooden cross was prepared on which Jesus was to be placed. As Jesus was carrying the cross, Jesus fell down because the cross was so heavy and he had been beaten and was weak. They seized a man named Simon to carry the cross for Jesus. They placed Jesus on a cross between two thieves. When Jesus died the earth shook, and the sky was black. They placed a sign over his head that said "King of the Jews". Many of Jesus' friends, John and Jesus' mother were there weeping.

**Crossword Puzzle**

The crossword puzzle grid is 10 columns wide and 15 rows high. The numbering is as follows:

- 1 (down, top right)
- 2 (across, top right)
- 3 (down, middle right)
- 4 (across, middle right)
- 5 (across, bottom left)
- 6 (down, bottom right)
- 7 (across, bottom middle)

There are two shaded squares: one at row 8, column 10 and another at row 9, column 8.

2. They placed a purple \_\_\_\_\_ on Him.  
4. On Jesus' head they put a \_\_\_\_\_.  
5. The soldiers took Jesus to see \_\_\_\_\_.  
7. Jesus died for our \_\_\_\_\_.

1. He prayed in a \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Jesus cried out to \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Jesus went to a garden to \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Jesus died on a \_\_\_\_\_.

## Match The Pictures

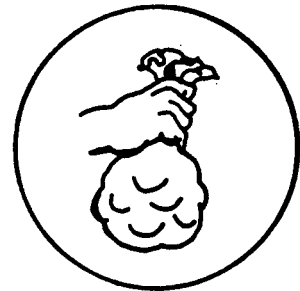
There are three groups down the middle of your page.

Match the words in the middle of your page with the pictures that fit from the sides of your page.

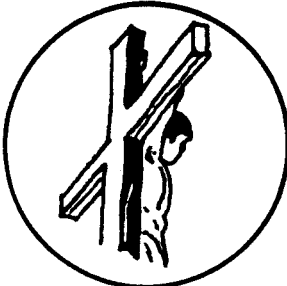
Can you tell your story by looking at the pictures?



... Treated Jesus very badly.



... Paid Judas money.



... Killed Jesus on the cross

### Wicked Men

### Jesus' friends



... Were happy Jesus was dead.

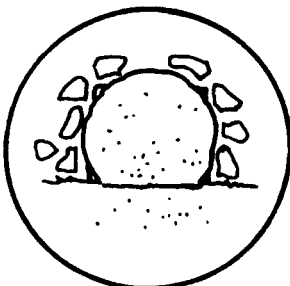


... Buried Jesus in a cave.

### God



... Were very sad Jesus was dead.



... Did not let Jesus stay dead.



... Raised Jesus from the dead.

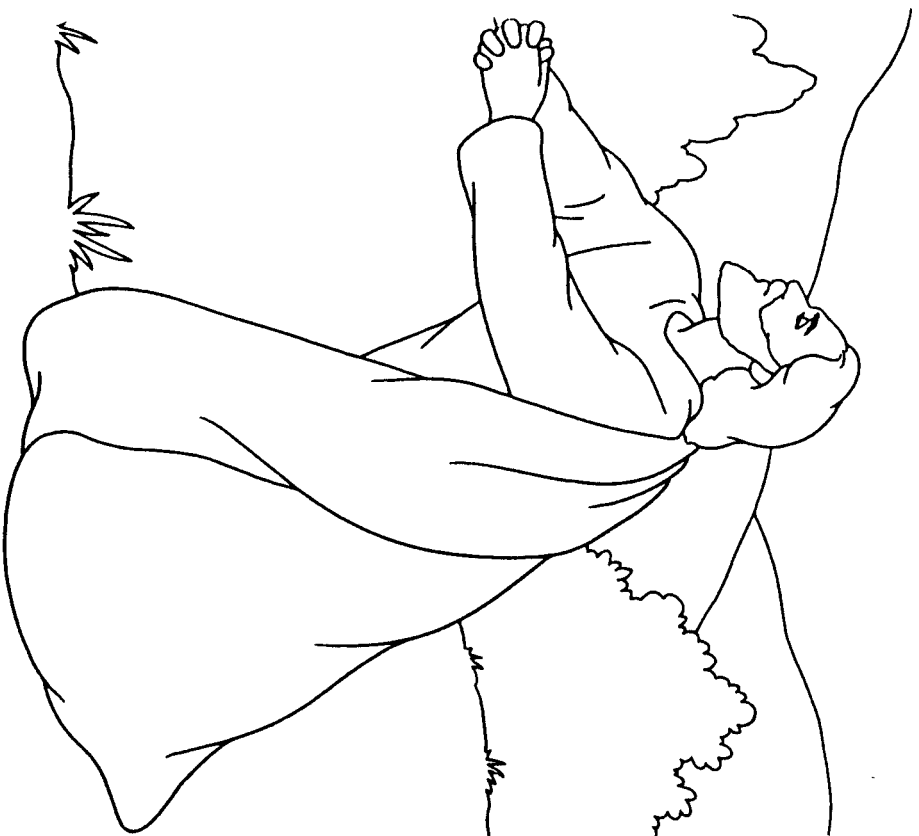
*The  
Crucifixion  
Of  
Jesus*



**Judas, one of the apostles, brought some men who were enemies of Jesus.**



**The soldiers made a man named Simon carry the cross for Jesus.**



**Jesus and His apostles went to the Garden of Gethsemane. Jesus wanted to pray to His Father in Heaven.**



**The sky became black! The earth shook! Rocks were torn apart! Everyone was afraid! A Roman soldier said, "This was the Son of God."**



**On a hill called Calvary, Jesus was put to death. Jesus' friends were very sad.**



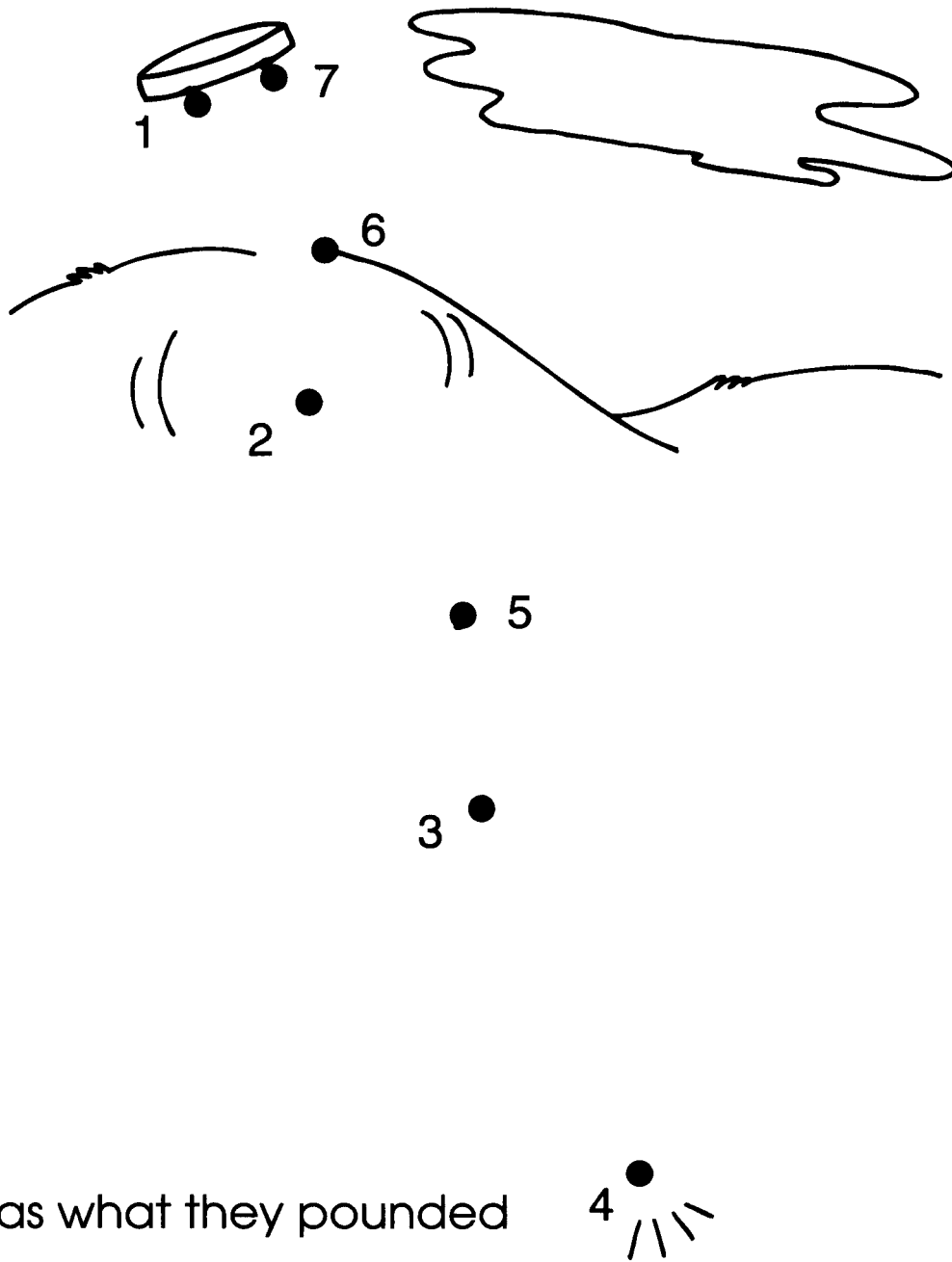
**As Jesus prayed. His apostles fell asleep.**





**Even though Jesus did nothing wrong, Pilate ordered Him to be killed on a cross.**

## How Painful!



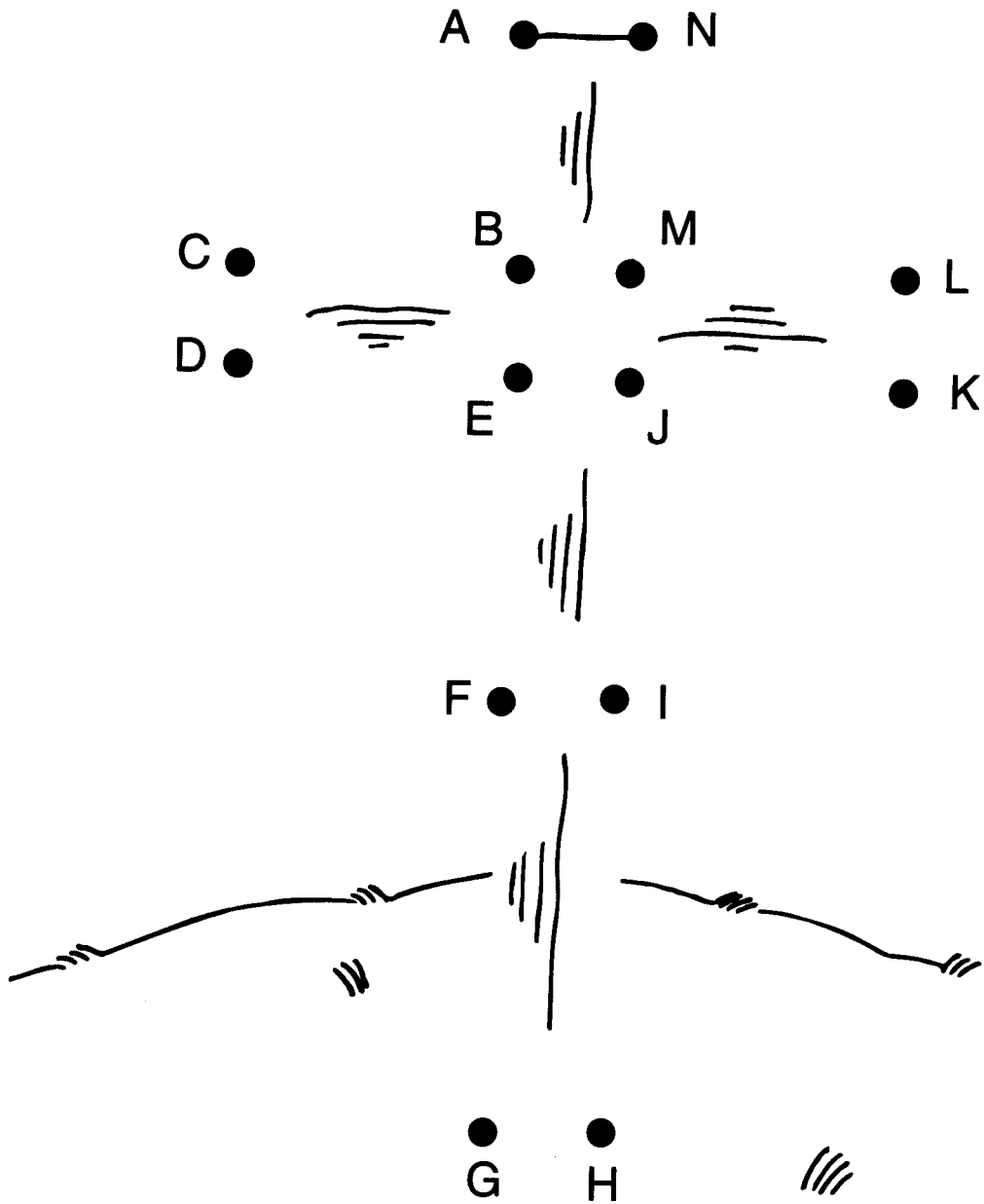
This was what they pounded  
Through Jesus' hands and feet.  
His end upon a rugged cross  
Would be death's own defeat.



**The enemies of Jesus grabbed Him. They led Him away to be tried by the rulers.**

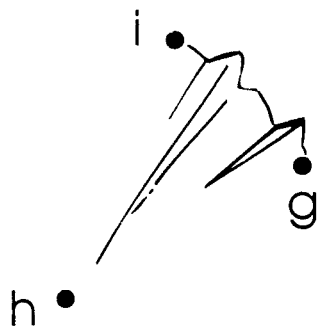
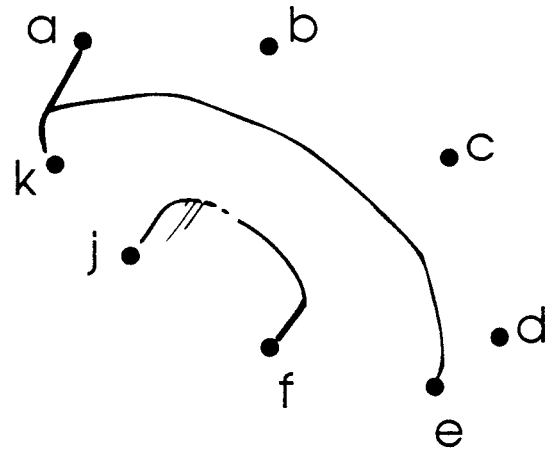
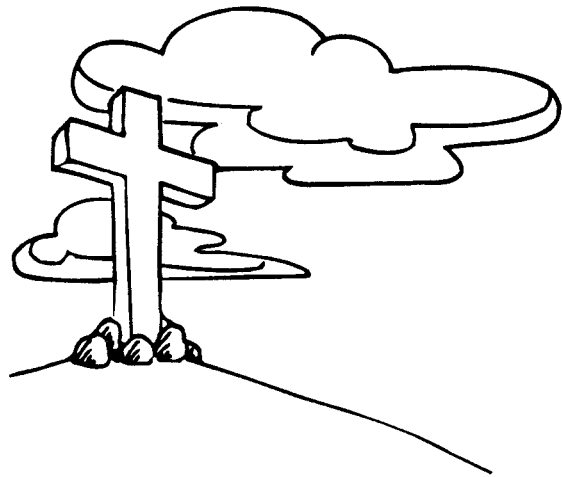
*This booklet can be printed front to back and this page is cut in half to make the middle page.  
Then the braid cutter + spiral binders to put together.*

# Dying on the Cross



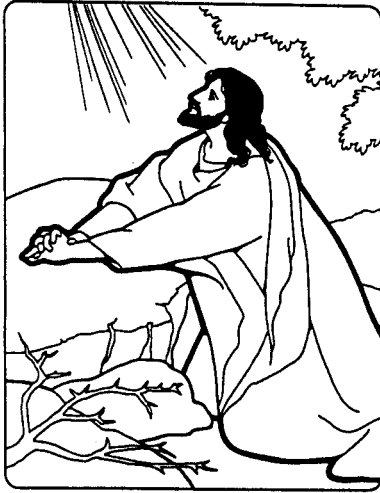
Jesus hung on this  
To set us free.  
He died for you.  
He died for me.

N is the first letter of . . .



. . . something soldiers pounded through Jesus' hands and feet when they crucified him. He suffered a terrible death because he loves us.

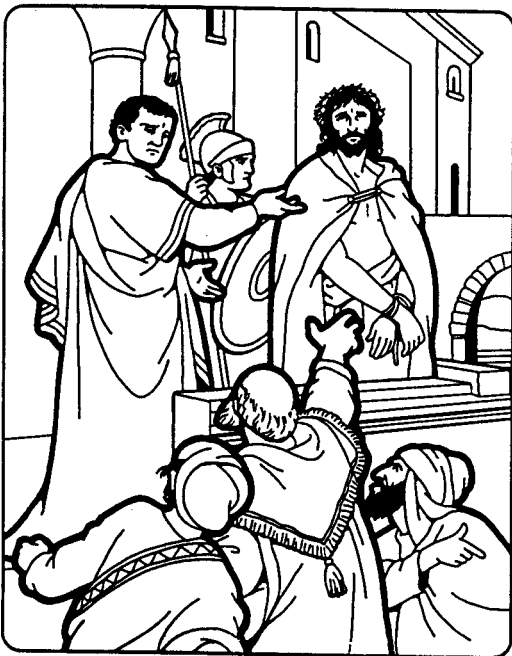
Place in order by putting the right number in the box.



In the garden



Tried by Herod



“Crucify him!”



Tried by Pilate



Taken to the rulers

