



It is Finished

The Cross

John 18:28-19:42; Luke 23:34-35, 44-45



Review and Discussion:

Challenge your child to retell the story. Help him or her remember key details by asking the following questions:

- ★ **What did Pilate say about Jesus?** (Jesus was innocent, and there was no reason to kill Him.)
- ★ **What was Jesus nailed onto?** (a cross)
- ★ **What was the last thing Jesus said on the cross?** ("It is finished.")

Read the following thought aloud to help increase your child's understanding:

Jesus could have saved Himself. But He loves us so much that He willingly died. Jesus did not deserve to die, but He chose to die to pay the debt we owed for our sins.



Explore God's Big Story:

Together, discover how this specific lesson ties into God's Big Story. Read the following aloud to your child:

Jesus never sinned. He did not deserve to die. But Jesus willingly died on a cross to pay the price for our sins. He died to fix the sin problem that we could not fix ourselves.



Memory Verse:

When Jesus (*touch your middle finger to the other palm, then switch*) had tasted it (*make sipping sound*),

he said, "It is finished!" (*hold arms straight out on either side*)

Then he bowed his head (*bow your head*) and gave up his spirit (*hands from chest to reaching high*).

John 19:30 (NLT)



Talk to God:

Dear Lord,

How thankful I am for Your great love. Thank You for dying for my sins. You show me what real love looks like. Help me show that kind of love, too.

Amen.

