



## Easter, Session 2

# Jesus' Crucifixion and Resurrection

Matthew 26–28;  
1 Corinthians 15

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**Story Point:** Jesus' resurrection gives us hope for eternal life.

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After Jesus was arrested, He was led to the high priest. The high priest asked, "Are You the Messiah, the Son of God?" Jesus replied, "Yes, that's right." The high priest said, "He has spoken against God! He deserves to die!"

In the morning, the religious leaders led Jesus to Pilate, the governor. "Are You the King of the Jews?" Pilate asked. "Yes, that's right," Jesus replied. "What should I do with Jesus?" Pilate asked the crowd. "Crucify Him!" they answered. The governor's soldiers put a scarlet robe on Jesus. They made a crown of thorns and put it on His head. Then they mocked Him: "Here is the King of the Jews!" They beat Jesus and led Him away to be killed. The soldiers nailed Jesus to a cross. Two criminals were crucified next to Him.

Jesus cried out, "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?" Jesus shouted again

and then He died. Jesus was buried in a tomb.

On the third day, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to the tomb. An angel of the Lord rolled back the stone and sat on it. The angel spoke to the women, "Don't be afraid! I know you are looking for Jesus. He is not here. He has risen, just like He said He would." The women ran to tell the disciples the good news. Just then Jesus greeted them. The women worshiped Him. "Don't be afraid," Jesus told them. "Tell My followers to go to Galilee. They will see Me there." Jesus appeared to Peter and then the other disciples. Many people witnessed that Jesus is alive!

*Christ Connection: Jesus' death and resurrection is the center of the gospel. In Adam, we were spiritually dead in sin, but Jesus died to pay for our sins. Jesus is alive! God gives new life to everyone who trusts in Jesus.*



## EXPERIENCE the Story

*The Bible tells us what is true about God and about ourselves. All of the stories in the Bible fit together to tell us the big story of how God rescues sinners through His Son, Jesus.*

- Unscramble the key words from today's Bible story.

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A I S E S M H: This name for Jesus means "anointed one." What does this story teach us about God?

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A I T L E P: This governor handed Jesus over to the crowds.

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O T N H R S: Jesus' crown was made of these.

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A I C T U R N: This split from top to bottom when Jesus died.

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O N T E S: Jesus' tomb was sealed with this.

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I A E L L E G: Jesus said His followers would see Him here.

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S U S E J: He greeted the women and they worshiped Him.

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I R T H D: Jesus rose from the dead on this day.

- What does this story teach us about God?
- How does Jesus' death and resurrection give us hope?

## CHRIST CONNECTION

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## APPLY the Story

- Why is it important that Jesus came back to life?
- How do we know Jesus is alive? Where is He today?
- How does Jesus' empty tomb affect how we live today?

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## **APPLY** the Story

- Find John 3:30 in your Bible and write the words below.

- Write a prayer to God, thanking God for the gift of salvation through His Son and for the hope of life with Him forever.

## **READ THE WORD**

Read one of the following passages each day this week:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Romans 8:11            | <input type="checkbox"/> Hebrews 2:9       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Acts 7:55-56           | <input type="checkbox"/> Ephesians 2:4-5   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Corinthians 15:57-58 | <input type="checkbox"/> Ephesians 1:15-23 |