



Open Up Easter

Day 6 – Jesus died for me



Start the day with praise!

A song to sing to start the day: “God is so good”

Think of your own words that you’ll like to sing to this song – it just needs 4 words/ sounds!
Some suggestions: He died for me, He makes me clean, Thanks for the sun, He comforts me

Bible Reading

Luke Chapter 23 New International Version (NIV)

You can find this at <https://www.biblica.com/bible/niv/like/23>

You can choose to have it read to you (press audio icon at the top of the page)

Story

Jesus was betrayed by his friend Judas, he was put on trial by the religious leaders, he was then sent to the Roman ruler Pontius Pilate. Even though Pilate didn’t think Jesus was guilty, he ordered Jesus to be crucified. Jesus was crucified with two criminals. One asked for forgiveness the other didn’t. Around noon it became dark till mid-afternoon. Jesus then said ‘It is finished’ and gave up his life.

Learning

Jesus was totally in control the whole time. His life was not taken from him, he willingly gave his life. He knew Judas would betray him. He didn’t need Peter to defend him, because he could have called 1000s of angels to rescue him. He knew he would be wrongly accused by the religious leaders and by the Roman Governor, Pilate. But he didn’t defend himself. *Whose fault was it that Jesus was crucified?* Judas? the religious leaders? Pilate? They all played a part in it. But the Bible says, it was because of us and all things you and I have done wrong against God, that Jesus – though he was innocent – took our sin and wrongdoings and died in our place. As he died, he said to God – “Father forgive them”

Song

Oh how I love Jesus <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8BxvYprczS8>

Cross Craft

Write FORGIVEN in Day 6.

Day 6 it at the centre of the cross, because God’s forgiveness of our sins is at the centre of the Easter story, and is also at the centre of all of history.

More Ideas!

Watch the author reading his book “Eric says sorry” [here](#).

Make Hot Cross Buns – lots of recipes online

Make an Origami Cross <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NI9KkufzUXs>

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