



## Holy – Lesson 4

**Memory Verse:** Romans 6:23

“For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus.” (KJV)

**Key Point:** Jesus saves us from our sin.

**Bible Verse:** Matt. 27, Mark 15, Luke 23, John 18 & 19

### SCHEDULE:

#### Center Time

*around 10 minutes*

Help the individuals transition by actively engaging them from the beginning. Try setting up centers to color, play with blocks and Play-Doh, or do puzzles.

#### Memory Verse

Use the Memory Verse page and images to go over the memory verse by placing them in the correct order on the board (personal or pocket chart).

#### Activity/Coloring Sheet (optional)

#### Big Group Time (optional)

#### Lesson

- Read through the lesson below. For a shortened version, just read the bolded words.
- Within the lesson, there are numbers that correspond to the story point pictures. For example, (1) corresponds to the first story point and picture, and so on.
- Allow individuals to place pictures on the board (personal or pocket chart) in sequential order.
- Key Point
- Use the review questions to check for understanding.

#### Video (optional)

#### Repeat Key Point & Memory Verse

*Use the activities below for repetition of the story points, key points, and memory verse.*

- Act out the Story.
- Bean Bag Toss: restate part of the story, memory verse, or key point when tossing.
- Hangman: play hangman using key points or parts of the story.

#### Activity/Coloring Sheet (optional)

#### Five Finger Gospel (optional)

**LESSON:**

This is a story from John 18 in the Bible. **The soldiers** first **take Jesus to** a man named **Caiaphas, the high priest** (1). **Caiaphas asks Jesus, “Are you then the Son of God?”** (2) and **Jesus answers**, “You rightly say that **I am** (3).” This makes all the Jewish leaders very mad.

In the morning, **they take Jesus to** a man named **Pilate, the Roman Governor, who** has the power to put criminals to death. Pilate **asks Jesus if he is a king** (4). **Jesus replies that he is** (5), but “not of this world.” Although Pilate knows Jesus has done nothing wrong, **Pilate sends Jesus to** a man named **Herod**, another Roman ruler, **who makes fun of Jesus** (6) and says mean things to him. Then Herod returns Jesus to Pilate’s court.

To make the Jews happy, **Pilate places a purple robe on Jesus’ shoulders and puts a crown of thorns on Jesus’ head** (7). The Jews still say they want Jesus to die. The Bible tells us **Jesus is hung on a cross along with two criminals** (8). As Jesus looks down from the cross at the people who have put him there, He asks God to forgive them. All of this was God’s plan. God sent Jesus to live a perfect, holy life, and then to die in our place to pay for our sins. God sent Jesus to be our Savior!

In the end, **Jesus** cries out, “It is finished!” and **dies on the cross, taking** the punishment for all **our sin forever** (9). Jesus has broken down the wall between God and us so we can have a relationship with him. God wants us to be sorry for our sin—not just sorry we got punished or sorry we got caught. **Joseph** of Arimathea, a follower of Jesus, **gets** permission to take **Jesus’ body to bury it**. He puts it **in a tomb** (10) that has never been used. Pilate seals the tomb and places a guard outside.

**Key Point:** Jesus saves us from our sin.

**Review Questions**

<b>Group A</b>	<b>Group B</b>
Is Jesus taken straight to the Governor? (No)	Where did the soldiers take Jesus when they arrested him? (They took him to Caiaphas, the high priest.)
Did Jesus say that he was the son of God, a king? (Yes)	Caiaphas had the soldiers take Jesus to Pilate, the Roman Governor. Did Pilate think Jesus was guilty of any crime? (No.)
Who makes fun of Jesus? (Herod)	What did Pilate put on Jesus to make fun of him for saying he was a king, but not a king of this world? (He put a purple robe and a crown of thorns on Jesus.)
Was a real crown placed on Jesus’ head? (No)	Where was Jesus’ body put after he was crucified? (Joseph of Arimathea put Jesus’ body in a tomb.)
What did Jesus take on forever that should have been ours? (Sin)	