

EASTER

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GoodFriday: April 10th

Read Luke 23:44-49

"Father, into your hands I commit my spirit." (Luke 23:46) Jesus said this in a loud voice.

Although Jesus suffered, He never stopped believing in and trusting God. Before

Jesus died, He willingly gave God His spirit, "It is finished." (John 19:30)

Jesus died knowing He had been obedient to God's plan for His life. With these words, Jesus completed His mission on earth. Jesus took upon Himself the sins of the whole world. Jesus died to save all who would believe in Him. When Jesus looked at the cross He saw you and was filled with so much love. The love He had for you was great- even greater than death. He wanted nothing to separate you from God. Jesus died knowing all of our sins would be forgiven. This is amazing love.

As a family pray together thanking Jesus for going to the cross so we could be forgiven. Thank Jesus for experiencing a horrible punishment in our place. Also, thank Jesus for His love for you that is everlasting, stronger than death and brings us life.

Family Activity: Jesus, we remember

Supplies needed:
vinegar, nails, bed sheet or blanket

Use vinegar to have your family smell and taste what Jesus was given to drink on the cross. Get some nails and gently show your kids how sharp and hard the nails going through Jesus' hands and feet would be. (If old enough, allow them to actually hammer some nails into wood) Create a tomb using a bed sheet draped over some furniture. Turn out the lights and see how dark a sealed off tomb would be.

