

# EASTER

## Jesus Gave His Life

### LESSON POINTS

**Bible Story: Easter | Crucifixion / Resurrection**

**John 19:17-20:10**

- All our sins (wrong actions) have to be forgiven.
- That means they have to be paid for.
- God sent Jesus to die on the cross to pay for everyone's sins, so we wouldn't have to.
- Jesus was dead for 3 days.
- On the third day Jesus walked out of that tomb alive.
- He is still alive and will always be with us.
- Jesus gave His life for us.

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What are sins?
2. What did Jesus do to pay for everyone's sins?
3. How many days did Jesus stay dead?
4. Tell about what it means that Jesus is alive.

### MINISTRY IDEA

Discuss with children how Jesus' death on the cross paid the price for our sins; therefore, all of our sins are forgiven. Have children pray and ask God to forgive them of anything that they have done wrong.

### DRAMA SCRIPT 15

Flossie is excited about all the Easter festivities, and [Adult] comes and reminds her who the real hero of Easter is, Jesus!

### ACTIVITY IDEAS

#### Crosses

Have children make crosses of various materials. Let it remind them of what Jesus did for them.

#### Empty Tomb Snacks

Serve snacks in your classrooms such as mini bagels, or dough-nuts. Let the hole in the middle of the food represent the empty tomb. You can even prepare ahead of time and bake rolls, placing marshmallows in the middle of the dough. The marshmallows melt, which hollows out the center of the roll, creating an "empty tomb."

### OBJECTIVE

Children will learn how Jesus was a giver. He gave so that we could have many things – healing, forgiveness, life, an example, and victory over death.

### APPLICATION

Through learning how Jesus gave and produced life, children see that when they give God makes great things happen.

### MEMORY VERSE

God loved the world so much that He gave His one and only Son so that whoever believes in Him may not be lost, but have eternal life.  
John 3:16a