

Jesus Forgives His Enemies

Luke 23:26-43



Here's what happens...

Jesus is dying on the cross. As the soldiers torture him and gamble for his clothes, he extends forgiveness. They continue to mock him, but he doesn't condemn them. Jesus extends forgiveness to a criminal, too.

Bible Point:

Jesus forgives when it's hard,
so we forgive when it's hard.

"Yes, I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from me you can do nothing" (John 15:5).

Through the Week

- Choose a mirror to be your "forgiveness" mirror.
- When someone wants to apologize, he or she can write an apology on the mirror with a dry-erase marker.
- Younger kids who can't write can draw a picture or get help with writing.
- The person who the apology is directed toward can erase the apology to show forgiveness. Then that person can draw a heart on the mirror.

Talk About This...

- Tell about a time you were really, really sorry.