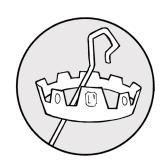


Lesson #4-26

A Kingdom Notof This World John 18:28-40



Key Verse:

Jesus said, "For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth." John 18:37b

The Point:

Unlike the powers of oppression in our world, Jesus' kingdom proclaims the truth.

Unit Theme (March 11—March 25):

God's Kingdom Revealed

Living the Story: Worship

The Stations of the Cross is a traditional worship rite in some Christian denominations. Individuals move from station to station, retracing the steps of Christ as he moved through the events of the Passion. In most forms there are 14 locations, each representing one scene, spread around a room, sanctuary, garden, or even city, as in Jerusalem. The traditional stations are taken from all four Gospels, as well as non-biblical tradition. The suggested stations given here are taken only from John's Gospel. Using the space you have, set up the Stations of the Cross, and spend 15 minutes moving between the stations. At each station, you might read from Scripture, offer a prayer, or simply light a candle. Consider placing an object at each station, if you have space. If space is tight, you could simply sit and read together each of the scenes of the Stations from their corresponding Scripture passage. Stations, Scripture passages, and object suggestions are on the next page. This worship activity is perfect for all ages.



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Stations of the Cross

- 1. Jesus is arrested John 18:1-11 (Lantern)
- 2. Jesus is interrogated by the Jewish authorities John 18:12-14, 19-24 (Rope)
- 3. Simon Peter denies Jesus three times John 18:15-18, 25-27 (Picture of rooster)
- 4. Jesus is interrogated by Pilate John 18:28-38a (Purple cloth)
- 5. Jesus is flogged John 18:38b-19:7 (Whip or crown of thorns)
- 6. Jesus is condemned John 19:8-16a (Stone)
- 7. Jesus carries his cross John 19:16b-17 (Cross)
- 8. Jesus is crucified John 19:18-22 (The words "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews")
- 9. Jesus' clothes are divided John 19:23-25a (Clothing)
- 10. Jesus speaks to his mother and disciple John 19:25b-27 (Small house)
- 11. Jesus drinks sour wine John 19:28-29 (Wine)
- 12. Jesus dies on the cross John 19:30 (Nothing)
- 13. Jesus' side is pierced John 19:31-37 (Spear)
- 14. Jesus is laid in the tomb John 19:38-42 (White cloth)