

## Disciples in Mission -- Week 6—Year III

### 6th Sunday of Lent (Passion Sunday):



**Isaiah 50: 4-7**

**Psalms 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24**

**Philippians 2:5-11**

**Gospel: Luke 23:1-49**

### Memory verse:

"Father, into your hands I  
commend my spirit."  
(Luke 23: 46)

### Family Activities

**Theme:** Jesus did something wonderful for us.

**Preparation:** You'll need the poster you made for the first Sunday of Lent, a new piece of poster board, scissors, glue, markers/crayons, stacks of magazines, a picture of Jesus.

**Opening Prayer:** Holy Spirit of God, come into our hearts. Bless us and guide our sharing.

**Gospel:** one person reads the Gospel aloud.

**Discussion:** (pre-school children): Can you think of a time when someone did something special for you? What was it? How did it make you feel? (primary grade children): How do you feel when people do nice things for you, especially if you're not expecting it? Why do you think they do them? (pre-teens): Have you ever done something special for another person, even though it was hard for you? What was it? What made you do it? How did you feel about it afterwards?

**Connections:** We usually enjoy helping other people, or doing something nice for them. It makes us feel good. But sometimes it's a lot of work, or we really don't want to do it, or we may lose something by doing it. Jesus did something wonderful for us—he died on the cross to save us—because he loves us. His death and resurrection changed the world. He can help us to do good things, even when they're hard.

**Activity:** Talk about the poster your family made for the First Sunday of Lent. It shows the different ways you worship God every day. What are the things family members did? How are they ways of worshipping God? How many of them involved helping other people? Now on a blank piece of poster board, put a picture of Jesus in the center of it. Explain that because Jesus did something wonderful for us, we love him and put him at the center of our lives. Discuss ways you can try to be like Jesus by doing good things for other people. Ask for suggestions (i.e.: forgiving someone, sharing something with someone, helping with a chore...). Draw the suggestions on the poster board and cut out pictures that relate to them and glue them on. Hang the poster board where people we see it often and be reminded of their ideas.

**Memory verse:** practice the Bible verse given above.

