

Jr Church/Kids Club Lesson for 4/ Week #6 (Palm Sunday)

Jesus Sweats Blood and Heals a Severed Ear

Key Point: We do God's will.

Bible Verse: Luke 22:39-51

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Jesus Prays Alone

³⁹⁻⁴⁰ Jesus left the city and went to the Mount of Olives. His followers went with him. (Jesus went there often.) He said to his followers, "Pray for strength against temptation."

⁴¹ Then Jesus went about a stone's throw away from them. He knelt down and prayed, ⁴² "Father, if it is what you want, then let me not have this cup^[a] of suffering. But do what you want, not what I want." ⁴³ Then an angel from heaven appeared to him to help him. ⁴⁴ Jesus was full of pain; he prayed even more. Sweat dripped from his face as if he were bleeding. ⁴⁵ When he finished praying, he went to his followers. They were asleep. (Their sadness had made them very tired.) ⁴⁶ Jesus said to them, "Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray for strength against temptation."

Jesus Is Arrested

⁴⁷ While Jesus was speaking, a crowd came up. One of the 12 apostles was leading them. He was Judas. He came close to Jesus so that he could kiss him.

⁴⁸ But Jesus said to him, "Judas, are you using the kiss to give the Son of Man to his enemies?"

⁴⁹ The followers of Jesus were standing there too. They saw what was happening. They said to Jesus, "Lord, should we use our swords?" ⁵⁰ And one of them did use his sword. He cut off the right ear of the servant of the high priest.

⁵¹ Jesus said, "Stop!" Then he touched the servant's ear and healed him.

Footnotes:

- a. **22:42 cup** Jesus is talking about the bad things that will happen to him. Accepting these things will be hard, like drinking a cup of something that tastes very bitter.

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Questions:

- 1) Who was doing God's will in our story? Jesus? The disciples? Judas? The slave of the High Priest?
- 2) If we were reading a story about your life, would the reader decide that you are doing a good job of doing God's will?

Watch the YouTube video to see what these events may have looked like; Bible Stories For Children - Betrayal and Arrest of Jesus (Kids Cartoon Animation in English) Jesus Wonder Animations

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R2eY3eP-mxs>

Play with these ideas:

Materials needed: Paper, crayons or colored pencils or markers, tape

Grab a piece of paper and make a decorated heart on it with crayons, markers, or colored pencils. Take your time and make it a nice picture. Give it to a grownup. The grown up will tear the nice picture in half. Does that seem kind of shocking? With that in mind, what are some possible reasons Jesus didn't want Peter to cut off the slave's ear? You made something nice and someone harmed it. God made the slave that the disciple harmed. The slave being harmed must not have been God's will. We can guess that because Jesus immediately healed the man's ear. With some tape, put your picture back together as a symbol of how Jesus fixed the man's ear in a miraculous way.

Let's sing and move:

Watch the YouTube video: There is Power in the Blood | HLA Wilderness Escape | Group Publishing- Lifetree Kids
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ru9I8CCjs8U>

Let's Pray

God, in our lesson today, we learned about how Jesus was willing to submit to God's will by going to die for us on the cross. Submit means that we do not do what we want to do, but we do what someone else wants. Right now, God, we have to submit to what our leaders want us to do to keep us safe and healthy. That's why we are learning at home today. Submitting can be hard, God. We want to go places and spend more time with other people. We cannot do that right now. Help us to be patient and learn from your example. As we get ready to celebrate Easter next week, help us to remember what Easter is all about. It's not about eggs and bunnies, but about how we get to live forever because of what you did for us! That's better than any candy we might eat! Thanks for loving us so much! Amen