

# My Saddest Friday

Key Word: **King**

Key Verse: Then he handed him over to be crucified. *John 18:16*

I was there that day. Sometimes I try not to remember it, because it makes me cry. I was only seven years old, and my mom tried to hide my eyes. Then she would be crying so hard, and I would look up at what was happening.

The soldiers were being very bad to a man called "Jesus." Mom said he had been good and kind. She said he had helped many people, but that must have made the soldiers angry. They were hitting him and saying terrible things to him. He was bloody and dirty when I saw him. They made him carry a very heavy cross and when he fell down they screamed at him.

He got up and tried again. Someone finally helped him up the hill.

Mom didn't let me watch, but I could hear the soldiers pounding nails, and I knew Jesus was going to be crucified. Mom said that really bad criminals were crucified, but she knew Jesus had only been good.

Mom fell to her knees, crying, and hugging me. I saw Jesus on that cross, with bad men on each side of him. I heard the soldiers saying he wasn't really a king.

The sky became dark as night, and rain fell. I heard Jesus say, "Father, forgive them." It made me cry more.

Mom and I were leaving to go home when we passed a lady on her knees, crying. She patted my head as if to tell me everything would soon be better. Mom said her name was Mary and that she was Jesus' mom. I gave her a big hug. Then I gave my mom a big hug too.

## Questions

**How do you feel when you know your mom or dad is really sad?**

**Why was Peter telling the soldiers that he didn't know Jesus?**

- 8. SOCKS
- 7. BLOUSE
- 6. SKIRT
- 5. SLACKS
- 4. TIE
- 3. SHIRT
- 2. DRESS
- 1. ROBE

- 15. SWEATER
- 14. HAT
- 13. JACKET
- 12. JEANS
- 11. COAT
- 10. BELT
- 9. SHOES

Unscrambler

Jesus of Nazareth,  
the King of the Jews.

Fallen Letter Puzzle

## Answers

For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth.

Letter Tile Puzzle

# Gospel Grams

Today's Gospel Story  
is from  
**John 18:1-19:42**

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