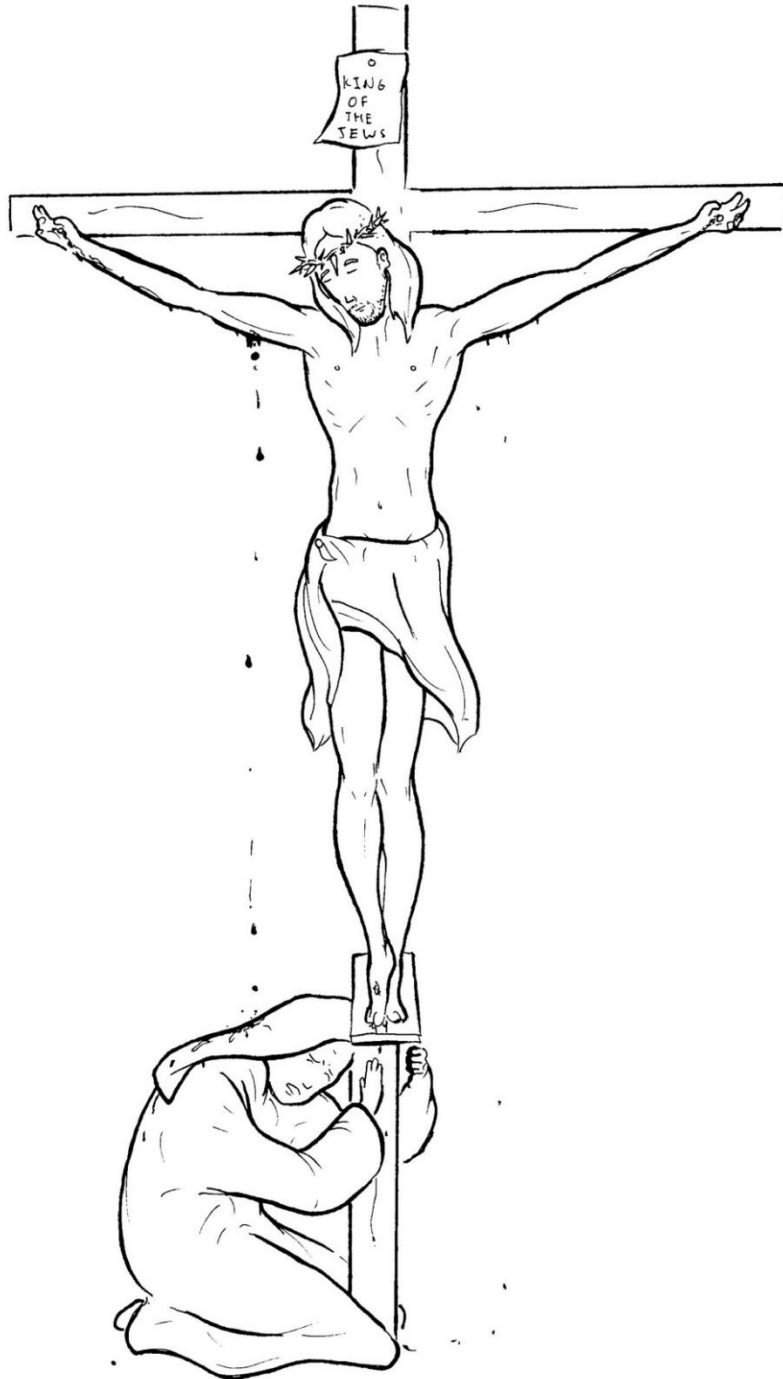


# 39. Jesus Dies on a Cross

Matthew 27; Mark 15; Luke 23; John 19



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Luke 23:34

Part 1 **39. Jesus Dies on a Cross** Words in Syllable Types

<b>Closed</b> short vowel stop	<b>Open</b> long vowel go	<b>Silent e</b> long vowel cave	<b>Vowel Teams</b> long vowel eat
at ask can and land hands left -ten beg -mem- gen- yell send self next -ness tem- -dreds him rip fin- -ish with will off God got- cross rob- mock us fun but -sus hun- skull	be he me Je sus re member so no tru ly cru cified my why Mar y tru ly	late save gave graves place made Para dise rose note -old, -ost, -ind, etc, cold sold iers kind	nails stay to day they feet lead er peo ple dies cried crucif ied know too few Jew-
<b>Vowel Teams</b> other sounds oil	<b>R-controlled</b> orange	<b>Consonant</b> l-e purple	<b>Other</b>
out loud shook call read dead	dark ness for give rob ber lead er re mem ber cur tain dur ing earth Mar y Par a dise	tem ple peo ple gen tle <b>Other</b> -nk, -ng bank, thing dur ing morn ing king dom hung	schwa ba nan a a bove Par a dise son king dom a bove cover

Part 2 **39. Jesus Dies on a Cross** New Words, Rule Breakers

**Soft c** cent, city, fancy  
place crucified

**Soft g** gentle, giant, gym  
angels

**Silent letters**  
know oh

**Contractions**  
don't = do not

**New Words**  
angels Paradise soldiers crucified

**Rule Breakers**

to	the	your	their	today
do	put	have	would	mother
of	you	there	could	others
is	was	come	friends	soldiers
his	two	gone	Father	son
are	into	what	forgive	curtain
one	said	spirit	doing	don't

Part 3 **39. Jesus Dies on a Cross** Dividing Words into Syllables

Broken into syllables	Full Words	Broken into syllables	Full Words
1. rab bit words		2. ti ger words	
rob bers	robbers	Je sus	Jesus
got ten	gotten	cru cified	crucified
remem ber	remember	re member	remember
cur tain	curtain	tru ly	truly
3. cam el words		4. ant eater compound words	
crucif ied	crucified	to day	today
fin ish	finish	for give	forgive
Par adise	Paradise	can not	cannot
		in to	into
5. tur tle words		him self	himself
gen tle	gentle		
peo ple	people	6. ham ster words	
tem ple	temple	hun dreds	hundreds

<b>Broken into syllables</b>	<b>Full Words</b>		<b>Broken into syllables</b>	<b>Full Words</b>
7. <b>foxes</b> suffixes			<u>ask</u> ed	asked
Jew ish	Jewish		<u>mock</u> ed	mocked
got ten	gotten		<u>fin</u> ished	finished
lead ers	leaders		king dom	kingdom
rob bers	robbers		tru ly	truly
dark ness	darkness			
do ing	doing		8. other patterns	
<u>cri</u> ed	cried		a bove	above
<u>call</u> ed	called		Par a dise	Paradise
<u>yell</u> ed	yelled		ang els	angels
<u>sav</u> ed	saved		spir it	spir it
<u>beg</u> ged	begged		sold iers	soldiers
<u>stay</u> ed	stayed		Mar y	Mary
<u>cover</u> ed	covered		cov er	cover

### 39. Jesus Dies on a Cross Easy Read English

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Two robbers hung on a cross next to Jesus. They made fun of him. So did the Jewish leaders. "He saved others but he cannot save himself," they mocked.

If Jesus asked, God would send hundreds of angels. He could have gotten off the cross. But he stayed there...to forgive us. "Father, forgive them. They don't know what they are doing," Jesus said.

One robber begged, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

"Today," Jesus said, "you will be with me in Paradise."

His mother Mary and a few friends cried at the cross. Darkness covered the land. "My God, my God, why have you left me?" Jesus cried out loud. "It is finished!" Jesus gave up his spirit. The curtain in the temple ripped in two. The earth shook. Dead people rose out of their graves! The soldiers yelled, "Oh no. He truly was the Son of God!"

But it was too late. Kind and gentle Jesus was gone.

## Questions

1. Why did Jesus die on the cross?
2. What could Jesus have done if he chose to?
3. What did Jesus say would happen to the robber who believed in him?
4. Do you believe that Jesus died on the cross to forgive your sins? What will happen to you after you die?

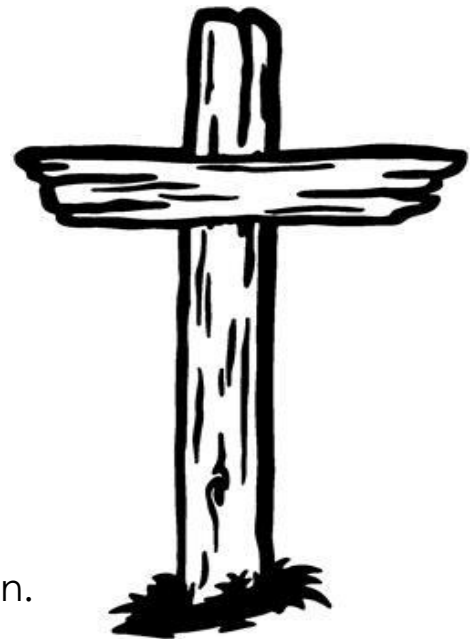
## Prayer

Dear Jesus,

You could have gotten off the cross. You decided to die for me. Thank you. I know when I die that I will be with you in Paradise (heaven) forever.

Amen

Write in the cross sins you have done.  
Write around the cross a prayer of confession.



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## Part 5 39. Jesus Dies on a Cross Vocabulary

<p>1. crucified (CRU - cif - ied): was put to death by being nailed on a cross</p>	<p>2. condemnation (con - dem - NA - tion): an order to be punished</p>
<p>3. assuredly (as - SUR - ed - ly): for certain</p>	<p>4. Paradise (PAR - a - dise): heaven</p>
<p>5. veil (veil): a cloth that hides something</p>	<p>6. resurrection (res - ur - REC - tion) : rising from the dead</p>

**39. Jesus Dies on a Cross** Luke 23: 33 - 46 Matthew 27:51-54  
World English Bible (WEB)

When they came to the place that is called "The Skull," they crucified him there with the criminals, one on the right and the other on the left. Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they don't know what they are doing."

Dividing his garments among them, they cast lots.

The people stood watching. The rulers with them also scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others. Let him save himself, if this is the Christ of God, his chosen one!"

The soldiers also mocked him, coming to him and offering him vinegar, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" An inscription was also written over him in letters of Greek, Latin, and Hebrew:

"This is the King of the Jews."

One of the criminals who was hanging insulted him, saying, "If you are the Christ, save yourself and us!"

But the other answered, and rebuking him said, "Don't you even fear God, seeing you are under the same condemnation? And we indeed justly, for we receive the due reward for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." He said to Jesus, "Lord, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

Jesus said to him, "Assuredly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise." It was now about the sixth hour, and darkness came over the whole land until the ninth hour. The sun was darkened, and the veil of the temple was torn in two. Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!" Having said this, he breathed his last.

Behold, the veil of the temple was torn in two from the top to the bottom. The earth quaked and the rocks were split. The tombs were opened, and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised;

and coming out of the tombs after his resurrection,  
they entered into the holy city and appeared to many.  
Now the centurion and those who were with him watching  
Jesus, when they saw the earthquake and the things that  
were done, were terrified, saying,  
“Truly this was the Son of God!”