

THE THREAD | The Gospel Come To Life

Lesson 12: The Crucifixion And Burial

Dear Parents,

Hello again! We are on the next to last of the 13 lessons, looking at *The Gospel Come To Life* in our study of the big-picture story of the Bible called *The Thread*. This lesson was entitled “The Crucifixion and Burial.” The lesson’s purpose was to get students thinking about what Jesus endured for them—and what they are willing to endure for Him. Emphasis was placed on how Jesus endured unto death so that we could have life. I believe your teenager’s perspective was deepened as they saw the endurance Jesus had to remain obedient during extraordinary circumstances.

Lesson Overview: In this lesson, we’ll look at two Gospel writers and their perspectives on Jesus’ crucifixion. We’ll see how the events of that critical moment in history had been prophesied about long ago and how Jesus wasn’t forced to go to the cross – He did it willingly. Finally, we’ll discuss how Jesus’ death on the cross impacts us and gives us the confidence to endure suffering on His behalf.

What We Want Your Teenager To Learn: Understand that Jesus obediently allowed Himself to be put to death to pay for the sins of the world and conquered death on the cross so that we could have life in Him.

What We Want Your Teenager To Do With What They’ve Learned: Consider what it means to endure for their faith in their current contexts.

Scripture Passages We Studied: Matthew 27:32-66; John 19:31-42; Hebrews 12:1-2

Please Take A Few Minutes This Week To Read These Passages.

Next Steps. . .

During the next week, as you engage in conversations with your teenager, remember that one way that will help them to understand and apply what they have learned is to explain it to someone else. Use the following questions to guide your conversation:

- So, Jesus willingly allowed Himself to be put to death for the sins of every human being. How should this affect how we live our lives?
- What are the most difficult places for you to follow Christ’s obedient example? (You have places that are harder to be outspoken in word and deed about Jesus, too. Share one with your teenager.)
- How can I help you stay strong in honoring Jesus’ sacrifice?

Thank you for all you do. As a parent, you are the primary spiritual influence in the life of your teenager, and they desperately need you. I’m praying for you! If you have any questions or if I can help with anything, please don't hesitate to let me know.