

Good Friday

WITH KIDS

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Here's a simple activity you can do with your kids to help them understand Good Friday a bit more.

DIY CROSS ACTIVITY:

1. Find some scrap wood.
2. Make a cross out of the wood.
3. Grab a sheet of paper and tear it into small pieces.
4. Have each member of the family write out a couple of their sins on each paper.
5. Take a moment to pray and nail them to the cross using a hammer and nails. Be sure to do this step for your children who are small.
6. Read 1 Peter 2:24.



MAKE "CROWN OF THORNS BRAIDED BREAD":

1. Find a simple bread dough recipe or purchase some ready-made dough from the store. Grab a bag of pretzel sticks or toothpicks while you are there!
2. Cut the dough into 3-inch long strips. Braid the bread and shape it into a circle. Bake bread until lightly golden.
3. Once out of the oven, let it cool, then stick the pretzels/toothpicks all around the bread, making "thorns."
4. Talk to your kids about the symbolism and read John 19:2 to them.



HANDPRINT "NAILED TO THE CROSS" CRAFT:

1. Get some washable paint and a piece of white paper, preferably cardstock if you have some.
2. Using yellow or another pale color, have your kids cover their hands in paint. Let it dry for a few moments. Then get some red paint and have them paint on the "blood of Jesus" as His hands were nailed to the cross.
3. Read these verses to your children: Mark 14:24-26.