6_9_13 LUKE 23 Jesus served unselfishly Ideas for SS classes, small groups, etc.

Pray together, Relate to each other, Eat together, Study together, Serve together

PRESS on toward the goal of growing in Jesus!

General outside activity – Plan a parade. What will be in it? Where will you go? Be sure that everyone is a part of it. As you go, invite others to join you in the parade. Plan how & where your parade will end. **Luke Team Memory Verse** – **1 John 3:16-18** - What better way to demonstrate teamwork and the results it can bring than to do our memory verse for the Luke series as a team? The concept is that each week a leader cuts apart each line of the memory verse and hands each section to a member of their group/class. Each person is to <u>memorize</u> their section of the verse and know where it goes. If you rotate parts, by family or person, then you might all learn the whole verse before the sessions are over.

Eat together – Rotate through families/people to bring some form of food to share. If you need adult time, ask the kids to prepare and serve the food. If you need kids' time, ask some of the adults to prepare and serve the food. Food could also be prepared and served by the family/people that brought the food

Pray together – PRAISE – thank God for who He is; REPENT – Ask God to forgive and help us; ASK –Ask God for things that others need; Ask God for things that you need; YIELD – Tell God that you trust HIM with whatever He provides and with whatever He has planned. Thank Him that you can trust His love.

Study together

Luke 23:26-43– Jesus served unselfishly

FAMILY ACTIVITIES: What was fun about the parade? Was there anything that wasn't fun? Our Bible lesson today begins with a parade, but it is not a fun one. People joined in as the parade passed. Some of the people were angry. Some were sad. Some just didn't want to miss what was going on.

ADULT QUESTIONS:

Vs 26-27 – Can you imagine being a part of this parade?

Vs 28-31 – What is Jesus referring to? If you are not <u>happy</u> (fill in the blank – safe, satisfied, etc.) during "good times", what makes you think you will be <u>happy</u> at any other time?

FAMILY ACTIVITIES: Make a lip print. (Each family bring/use their own lipstick?)

What is the nastiest thing someone has ever said to you? How did you respond to the person who said it? What did Jesus say when the people said and did nasty things to Him?

What is the nicest thing that someone has ever said to you? How did you respond to the person who said it? What did Jesus say to someone who believed in Him?

How does what we do and say show Jesus to others?

ADULT QUESTIONS:

Vs 34 – What would you, as an innocent man, say from the cross?

Vs 35-37 - Do you remember the guard's reactions when they arrested Jesus? They cowered before He submitted. What gives them the courage to be bolder now?

Vs 38 – Does Pilate have a sense of humor or is this his show of control? Why did he write the sign this way? Vs 39-43 – What reactions does Jesus get today? Are they any different?

FAMILY ACTIVITIES: Draw a picture of the crucifixion. Was it easy for Jesus to die? Was it easy to watch Jesus die? Sometimes it is the hard things that we do that help others to see Jesus and His love. What do you find hard to do that helps others to see Jesus?

ADULT QUESTIONS:

Vs 44-49 – What is it like to watch someone die? Is watching someone die a common occurrence? What are people expecting to see? What does Jesus' death teach you about His heart?