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Jesus



is

Crucified.





Worship



Time



Quiet



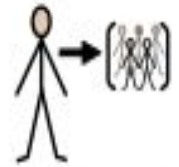
Looking



Listening



Respectful



Joining in



be kind



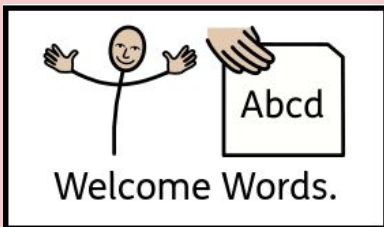
be respectful



be the best
that you can be

Let's light the candle to begin our Worship today.





As God's



people



we

have



gathered.



Let



us



Worship



him



together.





Thinking Time



Why



do you



think



Jesus



did not



save



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would?



We



are going to



retell the story.



We



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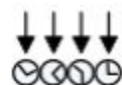
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together.



Every time



we



say



'Jesus



did not



fight



back'



we



make



a fist



with one

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hand,

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and



push



it away



with the



other



hand.

When the guards came with torches and swords to arrest him.
When his friend Judas betrayed him with a kiss.

Jesus did not fight back.

When he was arrested and bound and taken to the high priest's palace.
When witnesses told lies about him.

Jesus did not fight back.

When they spat in his face and slapped him and punched him.

Jesus did not fight back.

When he was dragged before Pilate, the governor of Judea.
When more lies were told about him.

Jesus did not fight back.

When the crowds shouted for him to be crucified.
When Pilate finally gave in and ordered him to be put to death.

Jesus did not fight back.

When he was beaten across the back with a sharp whip.

When the soldiers stripped off his clothes and put a red robe on him.

When they jammed a crown of thorns on his head.

Jesus did not fight back.

When the soldiers laid a heavy cross on his bleeding back.

When he dragged that cross along the road.

When they laid that cross down and nailed his hands and feet to it.

Jesus did not fight back.

When he hung there on that cross for hours, for all to see.

When the soldiers gambled for his clothes.

When his enemies, even then, called him names and made fun of him.

Jesus did not fight back.

And when the sky turned dark and the rain fell and everything was about to come to an end.

When he could have called upon an army of angels to come down from heaven and save him.

Jesus did not fight back.

Instead, he bowed his head and said 'It is finished' and died.

Because he knew that his death was a sacrifice - God's way of forgiving all the wrong things anyone had ever done.

God's way of making everything right again.

God's way of bringing everyone back to Him.

And that is why...

Jesus did not fight back.



Let us sing.



And on that day
when my strength is failing
The end draws near
and my time has come



let us pray.

Dear God,

Thank you for Jesus. We remember how much he loved us, so much that he was willing to suffer on the cross. We know it was a sad and painful time, and we can feel sad too when we think about it.

Help us to understand that even though it was sad, it was also a very important thing. Jesus did this because he loves us so much, and wanted us to be close to you.

Help us to remember Jesus's love, and to try to love others like he loves us. Help us to be kind, and helpful, and to forgive others, just like Jesus forgives us.

Thank you for Jesus, and for his amazing love.

Amen.





Closing Words.



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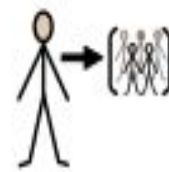
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