

Second Grade Lesson Plans

Lesson 20: Stations of the Cross

Materials needed:

- Stations of the Cross Handout – 1 per child
- Stations of the Cross Coloring Sheets – 1 per child

GATHER YOUR CLASS AND COME DIRECTLY TO THE CHURCH TO PRAY THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS.

FOLLOW UP:

- **The Stations of the Cross are the story of all the things that happened to Jesus on the day He died.**
- **The Stations of the Cross are there to help us remember something. What do you think it is?** (We remember that Jesus loves us so much that He was willing to suffer and die so that we could have our sins forgiven and live forever with Him in heaven.)
- **Do you think people take time to think about what Jesus did for us? How often do you remember it?**
- **When we pray the Stations of the Cross, we see all the things that happened to Jesus on the day He died. That was a sad day. Why would we want to remember it?**
(Sometimes if we are sad or lonely or upset, it can seem like Jesus has forgotten us. As we pray the Stations, we can see that Jesus knows what it's like to suffer so He understands when we're sad. We also know how much Jesus loves us because He went through all that pain and even died just for us. You only do that for someone you love very much.)
- **Jesus died on the cross so that our sins could be forgiven. Is that the end of the story?**
(Not at all! Three days later, our Lord rose from the dead. That means we will do the same someday and live forever in heaven with Him.)
- (Give each child a Stations of the Cross handout.) **This is a copy of the Stations we see in the church. Maybe you would like to take it home and put it on your refrigerator during Lent to remind you of all the things we talked about today.**