Lesson 2

<u>esus</u> dies on the Cross

John 18:1 – 19:37

ne evening Jesus and His disciples walked out of Jerusalem. They went into a garden to pray. While Jesus was praying, soldiers came with spears and torches. They were led by men who hated Jesus and wanted to kill Him. Jesus asked, "Who are you looking for?" They said, "Jesus of Nazareth." Jesus said, "I am He." Then the soldiers arrested Jesus and took Him away.

Memory verse

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life." *John 3:16* Early the next morning, Jesus was brought to the Roman governor. His name was Pilate. Pilate asked Jesus many questions, but he did not think Jesus had done anything wrong. Pilate ordered the soldiers to beat Jesus. Then the soldiers made a crown of sharp thorns and pushed it down on Jesus' head. The thorns hurt Jesus and made Him bleed. Jesus' enemies wanted to kill Him. They yelled, "Crucify Him! Crucify Him!" Pilate gave in and let the people have their own way. They made Jesus carry a big wooden

cross out to a hill. They put nails through His hands and feet to hold Him on the cross. After several hours, Jesus died.