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**Series:** Jesus Gave His Life for Me  
Winter Year 2, Lesson 45

# Jesus Prays on the Mount of Olives

**Take Home Point:** \*JESUS PRAYED FOR GOD'S  
HELP...*God will help me.*

\*Repeat this phrase throughout the lesson. The leader will say the first part of the phrase (CAPS). The children respond with the second part of the phrase (*italics*).

**Bible Event:** Luke 22: 39-46

**We will help children know:**

- The Bible Event of Jesus praying to his father for comfort and strength.
- They can pray to God for help.
- Prayer is a great “tool” to use anytime, anywhere for anything.

**We will help the children feel:**




- Connected to God through the power of prayer.
- Comforted that God can help us in time of need.
- Confident that God hears all our prayers.

**We will help the children do:**

- Interact with puppet presentation to introduce the Bible Event.
- Participate in the Bible event.
- Craft: Prayer Rock.
- Snack: Mystery Snack.
- Game: Game-Sleeping, Sleeping, Wake Up!
- Teach Albie the Take Home Point: Jesus prayed for God's help...*God will help me.*
- Sing and Pray.

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# THIS LESSON'S ROADMAP

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<b>Large Group Opening</b> 	3  5	Puppet Presentation  Bible Event	<i>Puppet Presentation:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Judy puppet holding a blanket</li> <li>Bible</li> </ul> <i>Bible Event:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bible</li> </ul>
<b>Small Group Application</b> 	8  9  10  11	Activity 1: Craft-Prayer Rock  Activity 2: Snack-Mystery Snack  Activity 3: Game-Sleeping, Sleeping, Wake Up!  Prayer Time	<i>Activity 1: Craft</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Appendix A, 1 copy per 2 children; cut on dotted line</li> <li>One sandwich bag per child</li> <li>medium size river rock (or make paper mache rocks earlier in week; instructions on internet)</li> <li>cotton swabs or paintbrushes</li> <li>newspaper to cover table</li> <li>several colors of tempera paint</li> <li>paper plates for paint</li> <li>wet wipes</li> </ul> <i>Activity 2: Snack</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>napkins, cups, water or juice</li> <li>snack of choice in brown paper bag</li> </ul> <i>Activity 3: Game</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>none</li> </ul>
<b>Large Group Wrap-up</b> 	13  13	Singing (Optional)  Lesson Review with Puppet Skit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>your choice of music</li> <li>Albie puppet</li> <li>Example of craft</li> <li>Example of snack</li> </ul>

## **Pre-Session Singing (10 minutes)**

**Purpose:** *When all children are in one group singing, it is easy for children arriving later to join the group and immediately get involved.*

## **Large Group Opening (15 minutes)**



**Purpose:** *The puppet demonstrates today's lesson. The children are introduced to the take home point and experience the Bible event.*

## **Puppet Presentation**

*Supplies: Judy puppet holding a blanket; Presenter holds a Bible*

**Presenter:** Boys and girls, let's call Judy. (Children call "Judy".)

Judy: Hi everyone.

**Presenter:** Judy, what's wrong? Why are you holding your blanket?

Judy: It makes me feel better. I have to get a shot at the doctor's office.

**Presenter:** Oh, I see.

Judy: I don't understand why I have to get a shot. It will hurt!

**Presenter:** It might hurt a little.

Judy: (Says to audience) Hey, kids, did you ever have to get a shot? (children answer.)

**Presenter:** Boys and girls, your parents are making you get a shot because they love you.

Judy: (In a whiny voice) If they REALLY loved me, they would not make me get a shot that hurts!

**Presenter:** Judy, the shot will keep you from having even greater pain.

Judy: What could have more pain than a shot?

**Presenter:** The shot keeps you from getting diseases and getting really sick. Your parents love you and want to protect you from getting very sick. Your health is more important to them than the pain from the shot.

Judy: So you are saying that the shot is a good thing?

**Presenter:** Yes. Even though the shot hurts, it is more important than the little bit of pain the shot causes.

Judy: I'm still not so sure about that.

**Presenter:** Judy, this reminds me of our Bible event today.

Judy: Did someone have to get a shot?

**Presenter:** No. Jesus had to do something his Father God told him to do. Jesus knew it would cause him a lot of pain. He did it anyway because it would help so many people.

Judy: Are you sure it wasn't getting a shot?

**Presenter:** No. Jesus had to die on the cross for all of our sins to be taken away. That way, we would be able to live with him in heaven.

Judy: That must have been really hard for Jesus to do.

**Presenter:** It was really difficult. Jesus prayed to his father God to help him.

Judy: Did God help him?

**Presenter:** Even though it hurt God to make his Son do something so painful, Jesus still had to die on the cross for us. Jesus obeyed his Father.

Judy: I guess getting a little shot won't be so bad.

**Presenter:** It will only hurt for a minute but will help you be better for your whole life.

Judy: I will have my blanket with me to help me feel better.

**Presenter:** To make Jesus feel better, he prayed to God his Father. Judy, would you like to learn more about this Bible event?

Judy: Yes I would.

**Presenter:** First, let's practice the take home point. I'll say the first part and you say the second part.

Judy: OK

**Presenter:** \*JESUS PRAYED FOR GOD'S HELP... now you say, "God will help me."

Judy: God will help me.

**Presenter:** Do you think you can teach the boys and girls?

Judy: Sure.

**Presenter:** Okay everybody, \*JESUS PRAYED FOR GOD'S HELP...

Judy: (and everyone): God will help me.

**Presenter:** One more time. \*JESUS PRAYED FOR GOD'S HELP...

Judy: (and everyone): God will help me.

**Presenter:** Wonderful. Say “goodbye” Judy.

Judy: Bye everyone!

## **Bible Event:** Simple Storytelling

*Supplies: Bible*

Presenter holds the Bible

**Today we are going to do some actions together to tell the story. When I do an action you do the same thing. When I am not doing any actions, you just listen. We will start now.**

**For three years Jesus has been teaching people about God. He told them that God loves them very much. Jesus also told them that he was God’s Son and God’s Son must die for the sins of the world. Now the time had come. It was a special night, the night before Jesus died on the cross. Jesus knew that he must get ready for what would happen the next day. He took his eleven disciples and he went to a garden to pray. As he was walking into the garden (walk in place), he stopped (stop), turned (turn) to eight of them and said, “Wait here. Please pray for me. I need your help. You can help by praying.” Fold hands.**

**Then, he pointed (point) to Peter, James and John and told them to follow him. Motion like you want someone to follow. He went further (walk in place) into the garden. Then he stopped Stop. He turned to them (turn) and said, “Please, pray for me. Fold hands. Don’t go to sleep. I need your help. You can help me by praying.” Walk in place. Jesus went the rest of the way by himself. He came to a lonely spot where he fell to the ground and began to pray (drop to your knees, fold your hands and bow your head) to his Heavenly Father. He was worried**

**and sad when he thought about what would happen the next day. Lift head and express emotions.**

**The next day he would be punished for the sins of the world when he died on the cross. Spread out arms like on the cross. He knew that it would hurt very much. He knew that he would be left all alone and he knew that God, the Father, could save him if he wanted. So he asked his Heavenly Father, (praying position) "Is there any other way than to die on the cross tomorrow? Is there another way you could forgive the sins of the world, so I won't have to die?" He cried as he prayed, "Please Father, find another way." Stand. Then, he got up from his prayer to check on his friends, Peter, James and John. Walk in place. Guess what he found them doing? Sleeping. Lay head on arms like a sleeping position. "Wake up," he said. I need you to pray for me." Then, Jesus went back to pray some more. Walk in place, stop, kneel and pray.**

**Again, he asked his Heavenly Father, "Is there any other way to forgive the sins of the world? Do I have to die on the cross?" Spread out arms. He was very sad to think about it. Express sadness, then get up and walk in place. He got up to see his disciples once again. What do you think they were doing? Right. They were sleeping again. Fold arms. "Wake up," Jesus said. "I know you try to do well, but your body is tired. Please try to stay awake and pray." Walk, kneel and pray. Jesus went back to his spot to pray one last time. This time he said, "Okay, Father, if there is no other way to forgive the sins of the world but by my dying on the cross (spread out arms), I will do it. Your will be done."**

**Then an angel from God came to him and strengthened him. Jesus knew he was doing just what God wanted him to do and that helped him be strong. Facial expression of peace and satisfaction. He felt at peace even though the next day he knew he would have to die on the cross. Walk in place. When Jesus returned to his disciples, he said, "Get up." Why do you think Jesus said that? Right. They were sleeping again. But this time Jesus said, "Now is the time for us to leave because the one who is going to turn me over to the soldiers is coming and we must be ready."**

**Next week we will discover what happened next. This week we remember that Jesus prayed and God helped him. We can remember that, too. When we pray, God will help us also.**

**Boys and girls, let's practice the take home point together. I will say the first part and you repeat the last part. \*JESUS PRAYED FOR GOD'S HELP...*God will help me.***

Let's fold our hands and pray. Repeat after me.

Dear God,  
We love you.  
Jesus trusted you with his prayers.  
We want to trust you too.  
Thank you, thank you, thank you.  
In Jesus' name.  
Amen.

**Song:**

Let's sing our song of the week. (To the tune of *Farmer in the Dell*)

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I KNOW God WILL HE-LP ME.  
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# Small Group Application (30 minutes)



**Purpose:** Children will break into small groups. Smaller groups enable children to develop closer relationships with adults and peers in the church. In your small groups you will reinforce the take home point with a fun hands-on activity and discuss the Bible event. Review questions help kids apply the take home point to their daily lives.

## Activity 1: Craft “Prayer Rock”

*Supplies: Copies of Appendix A, one per two children, cut on dotted line; one plastic sandwich bag per child; assorted colors of tempera paint; cotton swabs or paintbrushes; small paper plates for paint; newspapers to cover tables; wet wipes; one rock per child (If rocks are not available, make paper mache “rocks”, earlier in week to give them time to dry. Instructions are on internet.)*

Before class, cut Appendix on dotted line, fold and put in sandwich bag. Cover tables with newspaper.

**Boys and girls, today we are going to paint a prayer rock. It will remind you to say your prayers in the morning and again at night. Listen to the Prayer Rock poem while you paint your rock.** After rock is dry, put in sandwich bag with copy of poem. Read poem to children.

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(Author Unknown)

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Just put me on your pillow 'till the day is through.

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to kneel and say your prayers as you intended to.

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Review the Bible Event.

**Why did Jesus pray to his father the night before he was crucified?** *(He asked God to help him and give him strength for what he had to do.)*

Let's practice the take home point. **\*JESUS PRAYED FOR GOD'S HELP...God will help me.**

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## **Activity 2: Snack "Mystery Snack"**

*Supplies: napkins, cups, water or juice; snack of your choice hidden in brown paper bag*

<b>***CAUTION:</b> <i>Be aware of food allergies children may have, before you give them anything to eat.</i>
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Before we eat our snack, let's fold our hands and pray. Repeat after me.

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Jesus trusted you with his prayers.  
We want to trust you too.  
Thank you, thank you, thank you.  
In Jesus' name.  
Amen.

Place the sack with the mystery snack in the middle of the table. **Boys and girls, today we are going to pray for a snack of your choice. What would you like the snack to be?** (Direct them away from what is really in the sack.) **Now let's pray for that snack.**

**Dear God, thank you for snacks. We pray that** (snack of children's choice) **is in the sack.** (Look in sack.) **This sack does not have the sack you wanted. Let's try a different prayer. Dear God, thank you for our snack. We trust you will give us good things. Amen. Give snack to children.**

**God always hears our prayers, even though we might not get exactly what we want. We need to trust God to give us what he thinks is best for us.**

Review the Bible event.

**When we need courage or strength to do something we don't like, what can we do?** (*We can pray to God to help us receive courage and strength.*)

**Let's practice the take home point. \*JESUS PRAYED FOR GOD'S HELP...God will help me.**

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## **Activity 3: Game "Sleeping, Sleeping, Wake Up!"**

*Supplies: none*

**Boys and girls, today we are going to play a game like duck, duck, goose. Everyone sit in a circle. Jesus asked the disciples to pray for him, but they kept falling asleep. We must be alert so we can pray for others when they need help.**

**One child will go around the outside of the circle while touching the children on the head and saying Sleeping, Sleeping, Wake Up! When the child says "wake up" and touches the head of a child, that child will try to catch the other child who will run, get in a spot in the circle and fold hands in prayer before being caught. You can only be the runner once. Repeat as much as time allows.**

Review the Bible event.

**Can we ask others to pray to God for us?** (*Jesus asked his disciples to pray for him. We can ask friends and family to pray for us, too.*)

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## **Prayer Time:**

**Do we always get what we pray for?** (*No. We may not like it, but you can trust God and Jesus, who love you so much, to give you what is best.*)

Ask children for prayer requests and pray as a group for child's request.

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# Large Group Wrap-Up (10 minutes)



**Purpose:** *The crazy bird puppet, Albie, struggles with learning the take home point. We try to teach him the take home point, but each time he confuses words or concepts. After three attempts, he finally gets it right.*

**Singing:** (Optional, two or three songs, as time allows)

*Supplies: Albie the puppet, sample of today's craft and snack.*

## Lesson Review with Puppet Skit

Presenter shows Albie an example of each of the Activities done in small group. Then the kids attempt to teach Albie the take home point.

**Presenter:** **We want to welcome all our guests today and thank them for coming.**

(If you give guests a gift for coming, do it now.)

**Presenter:** **Albie, look at the craft the children made today. It is a prayer rock. The children are going to teach you our take home point. Listen carefully.**

**Presenter:** (says to kids):

Kids say:

**Presenter:** (says to Albie):

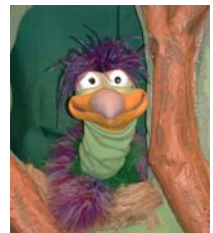
Albie says:

**\*JESUS PRAYED FOR GOD'S HELP...**

...God will help me.

**\*JESUS PRAYED FOR GOD'S HELP...**

*Rocks are too crunchy for me!*



**Presenter:**

**Albie, look at the snack we ate. It was a mystery. like Now listen carefully to the take home point.**

**Presenter:** (says to kids):

Kids say:

**Presenter:** (says to Albie):

Albie says:

**\*JESUS PRAYED FOR GOD'S HELP...**

...God will help me.

**\*JESUS PRAYED FOR GOD'S HELP...**

*I'm going to pray for a race car driven by a monkey!*

**Presenter:**

**Albie, today we played a game called Sleeping, Sleeping, Wake Up! Now, please listen closely to the take home point.**

**Presenter:** (says to kids):

Kids say:

**Presenter:** (says to Albie):

Albie says:

**\*JESUS PRAYED FOR GOD'S HELP...**

...God will help me.

**\*JESUS PRAYED FOR GOD'S HELP...**

*When I sleep, I like to snuggle with a cactus!*

**Presenter says:**

**“Albie, listen one last time.**

**\*JESUS PRAYED FOR GOD'S HELP...**

Kids response:

...God will help me.

**Presenter:** (says to Albie):

**\*JESUS PRAYED FOR GOD'S HELP...**

*Albie's response:*

(Warms up his singing voice with “*Mee, mee, mee, mee...*” and sings in a silly dramatic opera-like voice)

**\*JESUS PRAYED FOR GOD'S HELP...*God will help me.***

**Presenter says to Albie:**

**Good job, Albie!**

Albie can leave stage or join in the prayer and song.

**Let's fold our hands and pray. Repeat after me.**

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**Amen.**

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**I KNOW God WILL HE-LP ME.**

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**Goodbye boys and girls. Remember that God loves you and he will help you.**

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