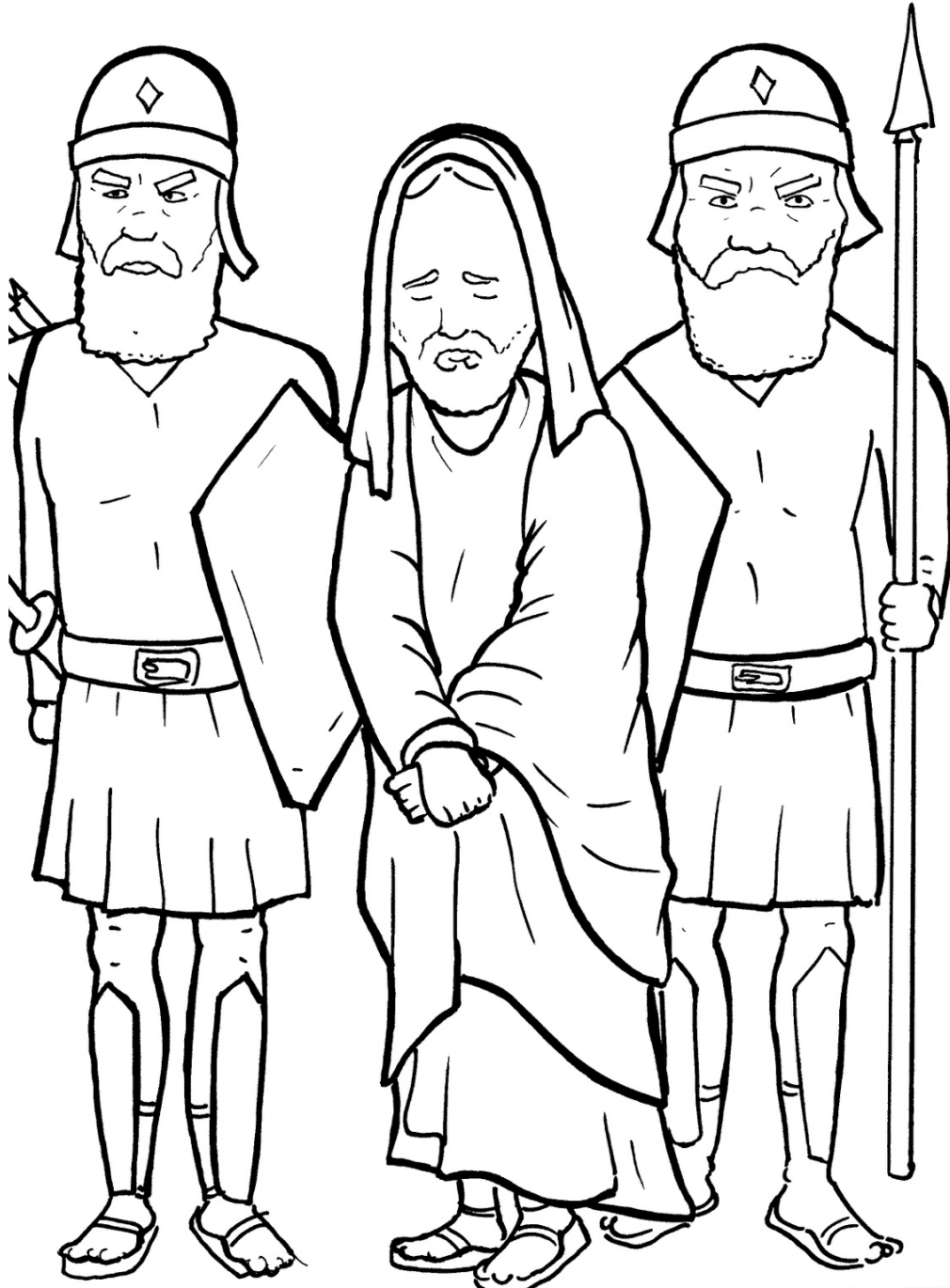


Jesus is Arrested

Matthew 26; Mark 14; Luke 22; John 18-19



“Here is your king,” Pilate said to the Jews.
But they shouted, “Crucify him!”

John 19:14-15

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The Jewish leaders hated Jesus. "The whole world has gone after him!" they said. "He must die." They paid Judas to tell where Jesus was. This disciple told them and betrayed Jesus.

Soldiers came to get Jesus. They held torches, swords, and clubs. Peter cut off a soldier's ear. "Put away your sword," Jesus said. He healed the man's ear.

They arrested Jesus. But Jesus had not done one bad thing. He never sinned. The disciples ran away in fear.

The men brought Jesus to the high priest. "Tell us who you are," the priest yelled. At first, Jesus said nothing.

Then Jesus said, "I am the Messiah, the Son of God. You will see me return with the angels."

The Jewish leaders spit on him. They hit him. Soldiers pushed a crown of sharp thorns onto his head. They put a robe on him. They made fun of him. They dragged him before the governor. Pilate asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?"

Jesus said, "Yes."

Pilate asked the crowd, "What should I do with Jesus?"

"Crucify him," they shouted. And so, Jesus decided to die on the cross. He knew his death would save us.

Questions

1. What did the Jews and Pilate decide to do with Jesus?
2. What did the crowd decide to do with Jesus?
3. What did the disciples decide to do with Jesus?
4. Everyone must decide what to do with Jesus. What do you decide?

Pray this prayer:

Dear Jesus,
Thank you for allowing
yourself to be spit
upon, hurt, and to
die. You did it for me.
You decided to give
up your life for me. For
you, I decide to:

_____.



Who is Jesus? Write his words from the story in the word box.