



John 19:20-26

²⁸After this, when Jesus knew that everything was now finished that the Scripture might be fulfilled, he said, "I'm thirsty." ²⁹A jar full of sour wine was sitting there; so they fixed a sponge full of sour wine on a hyssop branch and held it up to his mouth.

³⁰When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, "It is finished." Then bowing his head, he gave up his spirit.

1. Describe a time someone has sacrificed so that you could have something.

How did their sacrifice benefit you? How did it make you feel toward that person?

2. Why was it necessary for Jesus to die? What did His death accomplish?

How might it be dangerous for us to get "too familiar" with the cross?



3. What about Jesus' death and resurrection is hard for people to believe?

Why do you think the Cross is, as Paul said in 1 Corinthians 1:23, "a stumbling block to the Jews and foolishness to the Gentiles"? What makes the cross difficult to digest?

4. What do you think that Jesus meant by "It is finished"?

How might Hebrews 9:22-28 help us understand it?

What has Jesus' death "finished" in your life?

Response

(in the space below)

- What reaction do you have to the message of the cross?
- What is God leading you to do as a response to that?

