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☆ Let's Talk

SAY Judas Iscariot, one of the 12 disciples, led the officers of the temple guard to Jesus so they could arrest him.

ASK *Do you know what time of day they came to arrest him?*

SAY It was nighttime. Jesus was arrested in a favorite garden spot on the Mount of Olives where he went to pray.

ASK *Jesus is the powerful Son of God. Why didn't he stop the men from arresting him?*

SAY Jesus knew that the time had come for him to die on the cross. Jesus knew that this was the way he would accomplish our salvation. So Jesus did not stop Judas and the crowd of enemies. He allowed the officers to arrest him and take him away to the house of the high priest. Jesus chose to obey God's will so that we could be forgiven.

☆ Let's Walk and Worship

Lead children around the room on an imaginary walk up the Mount of Olives. Stop and "rest" several times along the way. At each stop, encourage one or two children to take turns completing this sentence: "I love Jesus because. . . ." Give your young volunteers time to express their praise in their own words.

☆ Let's Pray

Teach children this prayer to the tune *Jesus Loves Me*.  *Preschool Vol. 1 CD*

Verse

Jesus, you obeyed, I know,
For the Bible tells me so.
You went to the cross for me,
You died, from sin to set me free!

Chorus

I love you, Jesus.
I love you, Jesus.
I love you, Jesus.
I want the world to know!