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JESUS

LOVE

PERFECT

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*Lesson 23*

*Jesus is Crucified*

## Today's Story:

The greatest story ever told is the story of God's love for us when Jesus died on the cross. Jesus was the only person without sin, perfect and innocent. He was the only one who could take the penalty for our sins. Jesus chose to suffer and die to be the perfect sacrifice for ALL people for ALL times.

Even though it was painful, Jesus chose to do this. He would not be taken away from his Father's plan because he knew that it was the only way to overcome the power of sin and death in the world. He laid his life down so that our sins could be forgiven and we could live with him, now and also forever. He knew that new life, new hearts and a new kingdom would begin from this sacrifice.

Today, and any day, we can thank Jesus for his forgiveness and ask him to live in our hearts. He can reign in our lives as King.

Let's thank him for this wonderful love! Stretch out your arms as wide as you can to help you remember that God's love is as wide as the ocean and as high as the heavens above.

## Bible Memory Verse:

*"This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us." 1 John 3:16a--NIV*

## My Art Response:

