

## Holy Tuesday



### Bible Passage

Today we will be exploring together, the story of Jesus explaining that he would die.

You can find it in your Bible in:

**John 12 v20–36**

Read the story together – choose a Bible translation or children’s story version which best suits your group.



The other lectionary readings for today are:

**Isaiah 49 v 1–7**

**Psalms 71 v 1–14**

**1 Corinthians 1 v 23–26**

### A prayer to say together

Dear God,

Thank you that you sent your son Jesus to die and take the punishment for our sins.

Thank you that you are the light of the world. Help us to follow you and serve you every day.

We pray for all those in the world who don’t know you yet that they would come to know your love and accept you as their Saviour.

Amen

### Discussion

#### A question for adults to ask children

- *What did Jesus say had to happen to a grain of wheat for it to make many seeds?*

Jesus told the people that grain has to fall to the ground and die to produce seeds. He was using this as a picture to help them understand that He was going to die. Jesus knew that by dying He would make a way for the sins of the world to be forgiven. The seeds He was talking about were all the people who would come to be friends of God through Jesus.

#### A question for children to ask adults

*How did you come to be a friend of God? What is your story?*

### Family Activity

You will need: A pot, soil, a fruit or vegetable with seeds

Collect the pips or seeds from any fruits/vegetables you have in the house e.g. tomato or peppers seeds, apple or orange pips.

You might need to be creative in getting soil from your garden and you can use any container to plant in e.g. yoghurt pots, tin cans.

Plant the seeds in the pots and see if you can get them to grow. Think about how you had to break open the fruit or vegetable to get the seeds out.

Jesus knew that he had to die to take the punishment for the sins of the world.

