Good Friday- Sensory Story

Very early in the morning, the soldiers brought Jesus to Pilate, the man in charge.  Pilate asked Jesus, "Are you the king?" Jesus replied, "Yes, I am." This upset the chief priests because they were jealous of him and the friends he had made. Pilate questioned Jesus, but Jesus didn't stick up for himself (He knew that they wouldn't listen anyway).  He had done nothing wrong. Pilate called together the chief priests, the rulers, and the people. He said to them, "I have talked to Jesus, and I find no reason to hurt Him."

The unkind people wanted Jesus to be punished. The chief priests went around telling people lies about Jesus, so that they would be afraid of Him, and would want to hurt Him. Pilate didn't like this one bit, but the people would not listen.

They didn't understand that He was a king and the son of God; that's why they were unkind to Him and made fun of Him. The soldiers led Jesus toward a hill and made Him carry the cross on His back, Chn feel the wooden cross in their hands. The hill was a long, long way. Chn stamp feet for steps to the hill. Jesus was put on the cross and left by the soldiers. Jesus could have saved himself, but he chose not to. He wanted to do what God had asked and he went to heaven.

It seems like a really sad story, but it’s one of the greatest stories of all!  Jesus died knowing that you would make mistakes (that is what a sin is) do things that you're not supposed to like saying something mean to your sister or brother, or not telling the truth.  Jesus died for everybody's sins, so now when we ask God to forgive us, and we are truly sorry for what we've done, He will act like it never happened.

After Jesus died he was placed in a tomb, this was like a cave cut out of rock with a large heavy stone in front to close it in like a door. Chn feel the stones / pebbles. Mary and Mary Magdalene had waited a day to see Jesus and as they were just about at the tomb, the earth suddenly shook, and an angel came down from heaven.  He easily rolled away the stone at the entrance of the tomb and sat on top of it. Chn feel the feathers to imagine angels’ wings. The angel was so bright -- almost as bright as lightning! Turn on the torch. The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid.  Jesus is risen!’’ Chn repeat the phrase. They didn't know what to feel; they had been so sad that Jesus was dead and now they were so excited that He was alive!  They just knew they had to find Jesus, and they had to tell the disciples the good news.