

Good Friday script April 2020

The soldiers arrested Jesus in the garden and took him to the house of the high priest.

That night the priests held a trial.

The high priest said: "Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Holy One?"

"I am," said Jesus.

The high priest tore his clothes: "You heard him," he said. "He's guilty."

The priests all voted to put Jesus to death.

They sent Jesus to Pontius Pilate the Roman governor. The priests told Pilate that Jesus was a troublemaker and should be put to death.

Pilate was not happy but what could he do? He thought Jesus was a good man. But he could hear the crowd of people shouting, "Crucify him! Crucify him!"

Pilate didn't want trouble. He told the soldiers to take Jesus away and then he washed his hands to show that it wasn't his fault.

The soldiers took Jesus up the hill outside the city. They put a crown of thorns on his head and then they nailed him to the cross.

He was on the cross all day. And then he died.

His friends took his body and put it in a tomb, a cave in the rock. Then they rolled a great stone in front of it.

They were in despair. They thought they had lost of everything. It seemed like the end of the story...

But was it?