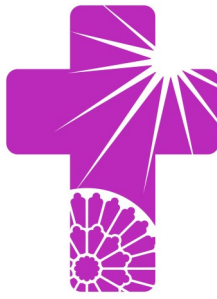


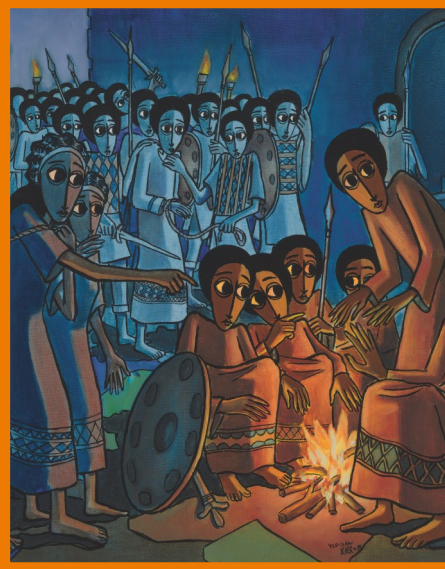
BETRAYED



Peter denies Jesus

This story appears in Luke chapter 22 verses 54-65 in the Bible. You can watch the story of how Peter denies Jesus here:

<https://vimeo.com/showcase/8147543>



LISTEN

Jesus was taken to the house of the Chief Priest Caiaphas, where people said things about him that weren't true. Peter waited in the courtyard

trying to find out what was happening. A servant girl recognised him as one of Jesus's friends but Peter said it wasn't true. Later that evening someone else said that they thought he was a friend of Jesus, but the frightened Peter denied everything. Just after he had told a third person that he did not know Jesus, Peter heard a cockerel crowing. He remembered what Jesus had said, and ran from the courtyard, crying bitterly because he had let Jesus down.

TALK

Have you ever let someone you love down? How did it feel?

Which bit of the picture is your favourite?

Which bit of the picture is the most surprising?

Which bit of the picture would you change to show your own understanding of the story?

THINK

RESPOND

Theme:

Broken friendships

Equipment: paper people

Friends sometimes argue – that is normal, but when friends say or do mean things and hurt each other, then don't apologise and sort things out, the friendship can get broken. Do you know someone whose friendship with someone else has broken? (Maybe it's you? Maybe it's someone else?)

Write or draw the two people's initials onto a paper person. If you want to, pin the paper-people to the wall as a thought or prayer for them to forgive each other.

Theme: Reconciliation

Equipment: a collection of zips

When people argue and fight, they get separated from each other. They're not together any more. Have you argued with someone recently? Do you know people who don't get on well together? Zips are clever. Zips bring two sides together. Reconciliation means bringing two sides together. Pick up a zip and think about the people that you want to bring back together.

If you want to, you can say a quiet prayer for the people you're thinking of as you do up the zip. This is a reconciliation prayer.