

LISTEN

This story can be read in

Mark Chapter 14, verses 32-48 in the Bible, or you can watch a story of Peter's perspective here:

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

FEARFUL



The Garden of Gethsemane

After they had eaten their Passover meal Jesus and his friends went out to the Garden of Gethsemane. He was sad when his friends fell asleep instead of praying with him. Jesus talked to God about what was going to happen. He knew it would be terrible and thought about avoiding it, but decided that he was to be obedient

as it was God's plan to save everyone. His friend Judas arrived with armed men to arrest him. Jesus had been betrayed and was taken to the house of Caiaphas, the High Priest.

READ

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

What are you most afraid of?

TALK



RESPOND

Theme: Questions

Equipment: pieces of cardboard, felt-tip pens (Optional) string, pegs, green fabric

Set Up: you could use some green fabric and create a 'gardeny' area for the activity. Hang the strings and put the pegs nearby.

Jesus went to the Garden of Gethsemane to pray. Jesus was worried about what was going to happen to him, and he prayed a 'Big Question' prayer to God. We all have big questions about life. Christians believe that God is OK with our questions, even our angry, painful ones.

If you want to, you can write a big question prayer onto a bit of cardboard. The questions could then be pegged onto the string.

Theme: Help

Equipment: small pot of soil, plant markers or lolly sticks

Set Up: you could use a larger tray of soil with pupils given individual markers or sticks

All of us need help sometimes. Just before he was arrested, when Jesus was in the Garden of Gethsemane, he asked God to help him. What do you need help with?

If you want to, you can write or draw your thoughts or prayers for help on to a stick and plant it in the garden.