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Title: Pierced

Theme: Jesus died for our sins according to the scriptures. He was pierced as the scriptures say.

Object: Sandwich bag full of water and sharp pencil to pierce the bag. Tray to catch water.

Text: 1 Corinthians 15:3 (NKJV) Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures.

How many have ever heard that Jesus died on the cross for our sins?

Did you know that the Bible told how Jesus would die many years before He died on the cross?

There are lots of ways you can die: you can drown, your can burn up in a fire, you can get run over by a car, you can die from poison, you can be choked to death or suffocated or hanged.

But many years before Jesus died, the Bible said that He would be pierced.

Psalm 22:16 (NKJV) For dogs have surrounded Me; The congregation of the wicked has enclosed Me. They pierced My hands and My feet;

Isaiah 53:5 (NIV) But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed.

Do you know what it means to pierce something?

Do you like experiments? Good! We’re going to do an experiment this morning where we pierce something.

We are going to pierce this sandwich bag, but before we do we’re going to fill it with water.

I’m going to ask Bella to be my assistant on this, because she’s the one who first showed this experiment to me.

Bella has a sharp pencil that she’s going to use to pierce this bag of water.

How many think that as soon as she pokes a hole in this bag, the water’s going to run out? (That’s what I thought would happen.) But watch very closely.

She pierces one side of the bag and pushes the pencil all the way through and out the other side of the bag.

But the bag seals around the pencil so the water doesn’t run out. Isn’t that amazing?

She can even pierce the bag with other pencils and the water doesn’t run out.

Now watch what happens when she pulls the pencil out: There are big holes in the bag and the water runs right out.

Do you understand what it means to pierce something? You push something really sharp into it.

Who can tell me how Jesus was pierced when He died for our sins?

They pierced His hands and feet with nails when they nailed Him to the cross.

They pierced his head with thorns when the put a crown of thorns on His head.

And to make sure Jesus was dead, a soldier pierced His side with a spear.

The apostle John was there and saw the soldier push the spear into Jesus’ side.

John 19:34 (NKJV) But one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and immediately blood and water came out.

This was proof that Jesus was dead.

Many believe that Jesus died of a broken heart because His blood was coagulated.

Jesus loved you so much that He allowed them to pierce Him when He died for your sins.

And if you love Him and trust Him he will forgive you for your sins, and you can live forever in His kingdom.

Everybody is going to be happy there.

Let’s tell Jesus we love Him, what do you say?