

Preschool Story 3

Nicodemus (John 19.38-42, 3.1-16)

This is a very serious story, but it doesn't have to be dark and sad. Do plenty of toe wiggling to keep it active.

Look at your toes.

Give them a wriggle.

Are they clean?

Or are they sandy and dusty?

Jesus feet were filthy, dirty, disgusting.

He walked everywhere he went

and the roads were dusty, and rocky

and you had to be careful where you trod

because the animals used the same roads..

Watch out!

Jesus feet were filthy, dirty, disgusting.

Everyone's feet were filthy, dirty, disgusting.

Jesus' followers feet were filthy, dirty, disgusting.

At the end of the day

All of those toes needed a wash!

But that's a job that no one wants to do!

That's a job for a slave.

But at the last dinner Jesus has with his friends

Jesus takes a towel

And Jesus takes a tub

And Jesus takes the toes

and the feet of his friends and washes them clean.

“What are you doing?” Peter protests

“Why are you acting like slave? You are not a slave. We follow you. You’re the greatest”

Jesus says “Serving others is the greatest.”

“Look at your toes, Peter -

Your totally clean toes, and your fabulous fresh feet.

You follow me everywhere with those feet.

So follow my example, my great example.

Serving others is the greatest.”

Later that night

After their delicious dinner,

Jesus is arrested, and taken away

To be killed on a cross with criminals. .

Peter wriggles his toes and wonders,

“Why is this happening?

Why is Jesus being treated like a criminal?

Jesus is not a criminal. He is the greatest.

Jesus is not a slave, he’s the greatest.

Jesus does things not for himself but for others.”

Peter wriggles his toes and wonders

“Is Jesus is doing this for others too?”