

**Bible Study – March 17, 2021**  
**Accused for Me – Matthew 27:11-31**

**What is the craziest thing you have ever done to help a friend? Is there anything you would not do for them?**

We do a lot of things to help our friends. We often don't mind being inconvenienced, especially if it helps them. That's what friends are for! But would you ever go to jail for them? What if they committed a crime – would you go to jail in their place?

Jesus knew we were guilty of sin, and still he stepped into our place and took the penalty for our sin.

**DISCUSSION**

In this session, we'll take a deeper look at Jesus's trial. Read Matthew 27:11–31.

To say Jesus's trial was unfair is an understatement.

Jesus, who knew the Law inside and out, never spoke out against the injustice being done to him.

Jesus was accused for us, taking our place and our punishment for the sins we committed. We are like Barabbas, who was a thief, a murderer, and a threat to society.

**Do you think you are like Barabbas? Why or why not?**

While you may have never stolen anything or committed any crimes, we have all sinned. That makes us guilty.

**In what ways do you think you are or are not guilty of sin?**

Jesus was accused of our sin so that we could walk free, like Barabbas. God loves us so deeply that he sent Jesus to rescue us. Read Romans 5:6–8.

