

Collective Worship Hymn Reflection



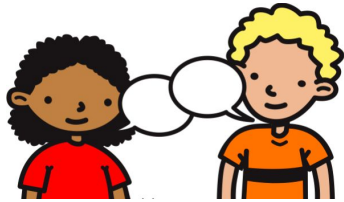
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Pro Deo et Ecclesia



Play the hymn and sing along if you would like to. Listen carefully to the words in **verses 2 and 3.**

I danced for the scribe and the
pharisee
But they would not dance and they
would not follow me,
I danced for the fishermen for
James and John - they came with me
and the dance went on.



Who were the scribes and the pharisees?
What did they NOT do?
Who were James and John?
What did they do?

The **scribes** and **pharisees** were the Jewish religious leaders when Jesus was alive.



They did not like Jesus and did not want to follow him

James and **John** were fishermen. They met Jesus and decided to follow him - they became his **disciples**!



I danced on the Sabbath and I cured
the lame

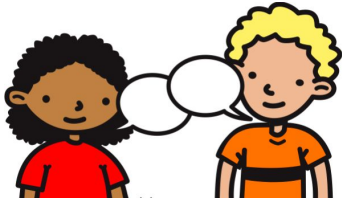
The holy people said it was a shame.
They whipped and they stripped and
they hung me high
and left me there on a cross to die



What did Jesus do on the Jewish holy day,
the Sabbath?

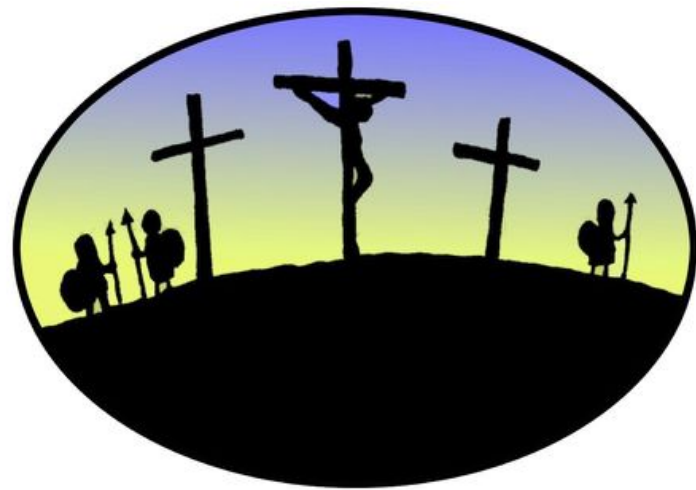
What did the holy people (scribes and
pharisees) think about what Jesus did?

What happened to Jesus next?



This verse reminds us that Jesus **healed many people**, including those who couldn't walk (the **lame**). But when Jesus did it on the Sabbath (the Jewish holy day), it made the religious leader angry.

They wanted to get rid of Jesus so they had him arrested, they handed him over to the Romans who **whipped** him, took away his clothes and hung him on a **cross**.





Reflection:

Reflect on the story of Jesus' life that the hymn is telling. Which parts of the story make you feel glad? Which parts make you feel sad?

Prayer:

Give thanks to God for Jesus, that he was willing to die on the cross for the sins of the world.