# **Disposition: Being Merciful and Forgiving**

## **Lesson:** Three

### Question/LO: What do Christians believe about forgiveness as a result of Jesus’ death on the cross?

| **Dimension of learning** | **Activities** | **Resources** |
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| Learning about religious traditions and non-religious world-views | Pupils to build a word bank relating to words associated with Easter.  Read the story from Luke 23:13-25 and 30-43, looking at the perspective of the two robbers who were crucified near Jesus. Their crimes were more obviously deserving of punishment. Christians believe that Jesus did not deserve to die in that way. Jesus forgave one of them who asked for forgiveness.    Watch Miracle Maker video clip – crucifixion scene. Discuss with the pupils why Jesus did this. Christians believe that Jesus’ death made it possible for people to be forgiven by God; and Jesus’ death opened up the way for people to be friends with God.    Pupils to write newspaper article or journal entry of someone who was there at this crucifixion. For example: one of the robbers, spectator, etc. | International Children’s Bible References:  Luke 23:13-25 and 30-43    The Crucifixion Scene from The Miracle Maker is available on You Tube. As this is copyright material, we’d urge you to get your own copy and only use the you tube reference to help edit out the part of the film you need for this lesson. Birmingham SACRE cannot be responsible for any school infringing copyright by not buying the DVD |