



## EXPLORE THE BIBLE.

Session 11: It Is Finished

Suggested Week of Use: May 14, 2023

Core Passage: John 19:17-30

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### News Story Summary

Dillon Reeves, a 13-year-old student from Warren, Michigan, is being hailed as a hero. While Dillon and several other middle-school students rode the school bus home one afternoon, their driver experienced a medical emergency and passed out. That's when Dillon jumped into action.

The bus driver began waving her hat in front of her face, apparently trying to cool off. Then, she called the dispatcher to say that she was not feeling well and was going to pull over. She also requested a relief driver to take the students home safely. Within seconds of that distress call, though, she lost consciousness, and the bus began veering toward oncoming traffic. It was then that the bus cameras show Dillon running to the front of the bus, grabbing the steering wheel, and applying the brakes while another student called 911.

Officials reported no injuries to the children on the bus and no damage to the vehicle itself. The driver was treated at the scene and sent to the hospital for further testing and observation.

For more about this story, search “Dillon Reeves stops bus.”

### Focus Attention

To supplement **FOCUS ATTENTION**, ask: *When has the bravery of someone else saved you or others?* Allow a few volunteers to share their experiences. Share the story of Dillon Reeves and the bus. Say: *Life can change in an instant—often because of circumstances beyond our control.* Point out that at times like that, we must rely on someone else's help. Explain that this session focuses on the redemption we find through the death of Jesus. Say: *Even more than the students who depended on Dillon, Jesus is our only hope for salvation.* Explain that this study highlights just how far Jesus was willing to go to rescue us from the power of sin.

### Summarize and Challenge

To supplement **SUMMARIZE AND CHALLENGE**, remind the group of the story of Dillon Reeves. Say: *Apart from his actions, the story may have ended very differently. Likewise, without Jesus, each of our stories would have a tragic ending.* Challenge the adults to consider what their lives would be like without Jesus's sacrifice on the cross. Close by praying that each adult would be reminded this week of life's most important gift, salvation through Jesus alone.