





CHALLENGE:

Last session we asked you to try and remember a Bible verse. See who can remember it.

When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, "Who is this?" Matthew 21:10

HERE IS A GREAT VIDEO OF KIDS RETELLING THE STORY

Easter According to Kids https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wdn1R90kX9A

Matthew 28:1-10

After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb.

- ²There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. ⁴The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men.
- ⁵The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. ⁶He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. ⁷Then go quickly and tell his disciples: 'He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him.' Now I have told you."
- ⁸ So the women hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹ Suddenly Jesus met them. "Greetings," he said. They came to him, clasped his feet and worshiped him. ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

MAIN THOUGHT:

Jesus resurrection was earth shaking and the world has never been the same since. With Jesus living in our hearts He will use us to continue to shake up the world!

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS: These are to guide the general conversation.

- 1. What is the biggest surprise you have ever had?
- 2. Who is the most powerful person you can think of?

- 3. What would you react if you were the women or the disciples?
- 4. What area of life would you like Jesus to make a radical change in?

ACTIVITIES:

CRAFT ACTIVITY

Empty Tomb Rolls for Easter Sunday by Emily Buys When the roll is opened, like the tomb, it is empty.

Prep time: 1 hour Cook time: 15 mins

Total time: 1 hour 15 mins

Serves: 15-20

Ingredients

- 1 cup warm water
- 2 pkg active dry yeast
- 3 eggs
- $4 4\frac{1}{2}$ cups flour
- ½ cup butter, melted
- ½ cup sugar
- 1 tsp salt
- large marshmallows



Instructions

Basic Rolls:

- 1. Dissolve yeast in the warm water, with a pinch of sugar (to activate).
- 2. Beat in the eggs.
- 3. Melt the butter in a microwave safe dish.
- 4. When cooled, add butter to yeast mixture.
- 5. Gradually add the flour, sugar and salt to the mixing bowl, and mix until smooth, or dough climbs up the blade/hook.
- 6. Let rise once, then roll out for empty tomb rolls.

Empty Tomb Rolls:

- 1. Make your favorite dinner roll recipe, roll the dough out flat, then cut into circles.
- 2. Wrap each piece of dough around a large marshmallow making sure dough seals around the marshmallow.
- 3. Brush each roll with melted butter and roll the dough ball in sugar and cinnamon mixture (this step can be omitted), but would make for a great breakfast this way.
- 4. Place each roll in a greased pan and cover pan with plastic wrap. Refrigerate overnight. In the morning, remove from refrigerator and let rise until double. If it doesn't rise much, it will be completely okay.
- 5. Bake at 375° until golden brown about 15-20 min. If you did not roll the dough in cinnamon and sugar, you can brush a little butter over the tops, while warm.
- 6. When the roll is opened, like the tomb, it is empty

ACTIVE ACTIVITY

Easter Egg Hunt

Hold at Easter Egg hunt in your back yard. If you have plastic Easter Eggs hide them. We give hollow eggs at Easter to remind us that the tomb is empty, Jesus is alive!!

PRAYER:

Thankyou Jesus that you went to the cross and died for each one of us! Thank you that you rose again, defeating death and changing the world forever. Come into our hearts and lives today and change them too!! Help us to share the good news of your death and resurrection with everyone we know!! We ask this is your name, Amen

BLESSING: *Name*, the life of Jesus is in you. Amen.

CHALLENGE: Try and remember this verse this week. Perhaps you and your family might like to make up some actions to help, or even a song?

He is not here; he is risen, just as he said. Matthew 28:6a

COMMUNITY CONNECTION:

We would love to see how you and your family are growing faith in your home.

Why not set up a mini 'Table' for the kids like we have been using at LifeWay? It can be as simple as paper and pencils, scissors and glue and Lego or Play dough. They can then make something while you watch the Live Stream as a family.

If you are happy to share photos or videos of what you have been doing please send them to Elise von Stanke elise.vonstanke@lifeway.net.au and we will share these with our community through Facebook and Instagram.