

# KIDS CHURCH ONLINE

Sunday 12th April 2020

## THEME - THE RESURRECTION - EASTER DAY

Matthew 28: 1-15; Mark 16: 1-8; Luke 24: 1-12; John 20: 1-18.

## BIBLE

Matthew 28: 1-15.

### Jesus Has Risen

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

**2** There 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. **3** His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. **4** The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men.

**5** The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. **6** He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. **7** Then 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."

### The Guards' Report

**11** While the women were on their way, some of the guards went into the city and reported to the chief priests everything that had happened. **12** When the chief priests had met with the elders and devised a plan, they gave the soldiers a large sum of money, **13** telling them, "You are to say, 'His disciples came during the night and stole him away while we were asleep.' **14** If this report gets to the governor, we will satisfy him and keep you out of trouble." **15** So the soldiers took the money and did as they were instructed. And this story has been widely circulated among the Jews to this very day.

John 20: 1-18

### The Empty Tomb

**20** Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. **2** So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!"

**3** So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. **4** Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. **5** He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. **6** Then Simon Peter came along behind him and went straight into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there, **7** as well as the cloth that had been wrapped around Jesus' head. The cloth was still lying in its place, separate from the linen. **8** Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. **9** (They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.) **10** Then the disciples went back to where they were staying.

### **Jesus Appears to Mary Magdalene**

**11** Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb **12** and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot.

**13** They asked her, "Woman, why are you crying?"

"They have taken my Lord away," she said, "and I don't know where they have put him." **14** At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realise that it was Jesus.

**15** He asked her, "Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?"

Thinking he was the gardener, she said, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him."

**16** Jesus said to her, "Mary."

She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means "Teacher").

**17** Jesus said, "Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'"

**18** Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: "I have seen the Lord!" And she told them that he had said these things to her.

## **HAVE A CHAT**

Below are some questions to help you explore the story.

I wonder what part of the story you liked best?

I wonder what was the most important part?

I wonder where you are in the story?

I wonder how Mary Magdalene and Mary Mother for James felt when they saw the stone had been moved?

I wonder how they felt when they saw the Angel?

I wonder how the guards felt when they felt the earthquake and saw the lighting?

I wonder what the disciples thought when the women told them what had happened?

I wonder how Peter felt when he saw the empty tomb?

## **ACTIVITIES**

### **Tell the Story**

Retell the story in your own words, can you remember all the different parts of the story? Perhaps find some props from around the house to help you tell the story.

### **Create your own tomb**

Make a den to look like a tomb, so think of what it would look like inside, what could you use for the stone which was like a door of the tomb. You could retell the story from inside the tomb.

or

Make a tomb using the craft idea listed on the Website.

## **Chalk the Walk**

Decorate the end of your driveway or the road in front of your house with art...tell people about the story by writing the words 'Christ is Risen' or 'Jesus is Alive.'

## **Colouring (see the colouring folder)**

If you are able print the colouring in sheets take some time to colour them in. If not why not give it a go and try and copy the design, then colour in it or make up your own design to tell the story.

## **Modelling**

Make some salt dough and make...(recipe below)

- A tomb with the stone rolled away, when dry paint the tomb, with a permanent marker write the verse on top of the tomb.  
**Bible Verse:** 'He is not here; he has risen, just as he said.' Matthew 28: 6
- A cross, when dry paint and write the words 'Christ Is Risen' across the cross.

or

Make some paper mache and make...(recipe below)

- A tomb using a bowl turned upside down for the mold, when dry remove the bowl. Add some more paper mache to the edge (front of the tomb). Make your stone for the entrance of the tomb and the tomb stone for inside the tomb. Once dry paint.

or

Make the tomb with biscuits and icing sugar.

or

Make a tomb form junk.

## **Jesus Rocks**

On your walk go in search for a rock you can paint. you can paint it with any sort of paint but some paints wash off so be careful not to get the rock wet once it is dry. Acrylic paint does not wash off. Please protect your clothes.

Paint 'Jesus Is Alive', 'Christ Is Risen', or 'He Is Risen' on a rock. Next time you go for a walk place the rock somewhere for someone else to see.

or

You could paint a number of rocks with different pictures to tell the story or just one showing your favourite part of the story.

# **PRAYER**

## **Prayer activities (see sheets in activity folder)**

### **Floating Flower Thank you Prayers**

If you are able, print the prayer sheet or draw and cut out the design.

1. Colour in the petals with colouring pencils (with pens the ink can seep).
2. Write a thank you prayer in the centre.
3. Fold the petals over into the middle, one at a time to hide the prayer. **Crease well**
4. Float **carefully** on top of the water in a bowl or padding pool, don't sink it into the water!
5. Watch the petals slowly open, lifting the prayer up to God.

**Science:** When you fold and crease the petals you break the paper fibres. The water seeps into the broken fibres first, forcing the petals open.

or

Take time to do the family prayer activity together.

**\*Here are a few options for paste for your paper mache.**

6. *Use a simple mix of flour and water. Use one part flour with two parts water until you get the consistency like think glue. Add more water of flour as necessary, mix well and get out all the lumps. Add a few tablespoons of salt to help prevent mould!*
7. *Similar to the above recipe, but definitely need adult supervision. 4 cups of water into a large pot. Place the pot on the hob and bring to the boil. While you are waiting for the water to boil, mix together one cup of flour with two cups of water, stir well to get out as many lumps as possible. Once the water is boiling, carefully add your floured water mixture. Simmer the mixture for 2-3 minutes, until smooth. Add a few teaspoons of salt the help prevent mould. Allow to cool before you try to use it!*
8. *You can use regular glue mixed with a bit of water. Mix using about one part water with two parts glue.*
9. *Use wallpaper paste. Follow the directions from the manufacturer to mix this paste. Adult supervision when using it.*

**\*Recipe for Salt Dough**

1 cup salt  
2 cups of flour  
 $\frac{3}{4}$  cup of water

- *In a large bowl mix salt and flour together.*
- *Gradually stir in water. Mix well until it forms a doughy consistency.*
- *Turn the dough onto the bench and knead with your hands until smooth and combined.*
- *Make your creations using the salt dough.*
- *Place the salt dough creations into the oven at 180C. The amount of time needed to bake depends on the size and thickness of the salt dough creations.*

*Please remind little ones that the salt dough is not edible.*

**Tips and Ideas**

- *Store your salt dough in an air tight container as it keeps well for a few days.*
- *You can paint your creations with acrylic paints and seal with varnish or polyurethane spray.*
- *Salt dough can also be aired dried and is an alternative to oven drying.*
- *Involve the kids in making the salt dough as this encourages and promotes so many learning opportunities, plus it is so much fun!*