

D6 EveryDay™ Parent Page

Date | **April 4, 2021** Family Theme | **Jesus Conquered Death** Study Text | **John 20:1-31**

Objective: Help your children be confident in eternal life because Jesus rose from the dead to conquer death. Rejoice in our risen Savior and take His message to the world.

How This Lesson Fits in the Story of the Bible: This lesson is set in the days immediately after Jesus was crucified and buried. Jesus' resurrection fulfilled Old Testament prophecy and Jesus' own words. It affirmed that Jesus was who He said He was and that those who believe in Him have eternal life.

Bible Basics: Review the names and order of books five, six, seven, and eight of the New Testament (Acts, Romans, 1 and 2 Corinthians) and list them in sequence with the first four books of the New Testament. Work with family members on this.

Read the Word: John 20:1-31

Disciple Your Kids

Talk with your children or grandchildren about evidence that affirms the resurrection of Jesus and encourage them to share the good news with others.



Key Truth: Evidence at the Empty Tomb Pointed to the Resurrection (John 20:1-10)

Early in the morning after Passover week, Mary Magdalene and the other women made their way to the tomb of Jesus to anoint His body for burial. Upon arriving they observed that the stone had been rolled away and the tomb was empty. Mary ran to Peter and John to share what she assumed: someone had stolen the body of Jesus. Peter and John ran for the tomb. In it they saw the grave clothes and strips of linen that had been used in preparing the body of Jesus at His death.



Key Truth: Jesus Appeared to His Followers and Sent Them to Share the Good News (John 20:11-23)

The day of His resurrection, Jesus appeared to Mary outside the tomb and then to His disciples behind closed doors. In both cases He reassured them He was alive and sent them to tell others the good news. The resurrection of Jesus separates Christianity from many other religions of the world. Our response to this great truth is to share the good news of the gospel with as many people as possible.



Key Truth: Jesus Gave Thomas Undeniable Evidence (John 20:24-31)

Eight days later, the disciples met together again behind locked doors. Thomas was with the disciples this time. He had not believed the other disciples when they told him they had seen Jesus, and he demanded proof. Jesus again made a miraculous entrance and reprimanded Thomas for doubting, but also graciously gave him the proof he needed to believe. He allowed Thomas to see and touch His wounds from the cross.

Discussion Starters

Use one or more of the following questions as discussion starters with your kids this week.

- Why is the resurrection of Christ so important to the Christian faith?
- Why do you think it is significant that the burial cloths were lying in the tomb, and that the cloth that had been around Jesus' head was folded and lying by itself?
- How does Christ's resurrection give us assurance of eternal life?
- What does it mean that Jesus sends us just as the Father had sent Him?
- **For Elementary:** What would it mean for us if Christ had not risen from the dead?
- **For Elementary:** Who are some of the people who saw Jesus after his resurrection?

Everyday Extras

All around the world, people greet one another with a special greeting on Easter morning. One person says hello by saying, "Christ is risen." The other answers, "He is risen indeed!" Practice this with your children to remind them that Easter is about more than chocolate bunnies!

You can also find or make wonderful sets of Resurrection eggs that focus on the real reason for Easter. Here is one example: <https://teachbesideme.com/resurrection-eggs/>

Preschool Highlights for SQUARE 1 & ROUND 2

Today your child learned a rich man named Joseph took Jesus' body and placed it in a guarded tomb. Three days later Mary and Mary Magdalene discovered the tomb was empty. An angel told them Jesus was not there; He had risen. Mary and Mary Magdalene saw Jesus, and they told others, **Jesus Is Alive!**