

EARLY CHILDHOOD FAMILY GUIDE

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Thank you for dying on the cross for my sins and rising again! I believe in you!
Amen.



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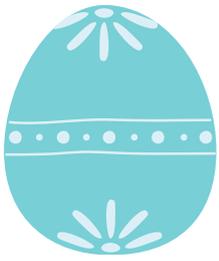
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Resurrection Eggs

Supplies:

- 1 dozen plastic eggs
- 1 egg carton for a dozen eggs
- Sharpie to number the eggs on the outside from 1-12



Directions:

- Print these pages on cardstock, if available, otherwise paper is fine.
- Cut out the Resurrection Eggs sign at the bottom of this page and tape it to your egg carton.
- Decide how you want to tell the story, with one narrator, or allowing each person to read the Bible verses corresponding to her/his egg. This determines if you will cut pages 2-3 into strips for each numbered egg or keep them intact.
- Cut apart the 11 pictures on the last page, keeping the numbers with the pictures.
- Stuff each egg with its corresponding picture, folding as needed. If you want, cut pages 2-3 into strips and put in the strips of paper too.
- OR
- Stuff each egg with only its corresponding picture, keeping the verses together.

Tell the story:

- Gather the family in a circle with the carton of eggs in the middle.
- Take turns selecting the eggs in order from 1-12. Show the picture that's in the egg. Pass it around if you want. Then read the strip of paper that explains the picture.

You've shared and told the Easter story!

Decoration for your egg carton:

RESURRECTION
EGGS

The Resurrection Story

1 The next day the great crowd that had come for the festival heard that Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem. They took palm branches and went out to meet him, shouting,

“Hosanna!”

“Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!”

“Blessed is the king of Israel!”

Jesus found a young **donkey** and sat on it, as it is written: “Do not be afraid, Daughter Zion; see, your king is coming, seated on a donkey’s colt.” At first his disciples did not understand all this. Only after Jesus was glorified did they realize that these things had been written about him and that these things had been done to him. ~*John 12:12-16*.

2 Then one of the Twelve—the one called Judas Iscariot—went to the chief priests and asked, “What are you willing to give me if I deliver him over to you?” So they counted out for him thirty pieces of **silver [coins]**. From then on Judas watched for an opportunity to hand him over. ~*Matthew 26:14-16*

3 On the first day of the Festival of Unleavened Bread, the disciples came to Jesus and asked, “Where do you want us to make preparations for you to eat the Passover?”

He replied, “Go into the city to a certain man and tell him, ‘The Teacher says: My appointed time is near. I am going to celebrate the Passover with my disciples at your house.’” So the disciples did as Jesus had directed them and prepared the Passover.

.... While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is my body.” Then he took a **cup**, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you. This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. ~*Matthew 26:17-19, 26-28*

4 Going a little farther, he fell with his face to the ground and **prayed**, “My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will.” ~*Matthew 26:39*

5 Wanting to satisfy the crowd, Pilate released Barabbas to them. He had Jesus **flogged, [whip]** and handed him over to be crucified. ~*Mark 15:15*

6 Then twisted together a **crown of thorns** and set it on his head. They put a staff in his right hand. Then they knelt in front of him and mocked him. “Hail, king of the Jews!” they said. ~*Matthew 27:29*

7 After they had mocked him, they took off the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him [with **nails**]. ~*Matthew 27:31*

8 When the soldiers crucified Jesus, they took his clothes, dividing them into four shares, one for each of them, with the undergarment remaining. This garment was seamless, woven in one piece from top to bottom.

“Let’s not tear it,” they said to one another. “Let’s **decide by lot [dice]** who will get it.”

This happened that the scripture might be fulfilled that said, “They divided my clothes among them and cast lots for my garment.”

So this is what the soldiers did. *~John 19: 23-24*

9 But when they came to Jesus and found that he was already dead, they did not break his legs. Instead, one of the soldiers pierced Jesus’ side with a **spear**, bringing a sudden flow of blood and water.

~John 19:33-34

10 As evening approached, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who had himself become a disciple of Jesus. Going to Pilate, he asked for Jesus’ body, and Pilate ordered that it be given to him. Joseph took the body, wrapped it in a **clean linen cloth**, *~Matthew 27:57-59*

11 and placed it in his own new tomb that he had cut out of the rock. He rolled a big **stone** in front of the entrance to the tomb and went away. *~Matthew 27:60*

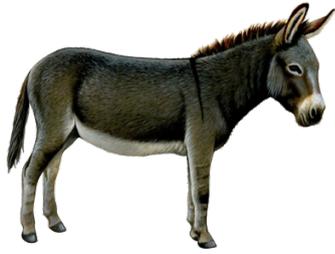
12 After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb. There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men.

The angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. **He is not here; he has risen, [empty egg]** just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. 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.”

So the women hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples.

Suddenly Jesus met them. “Greetings,” he said. They came to him, clasped his feet and worshiped him.

Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.”
~Matthew 28:1-10



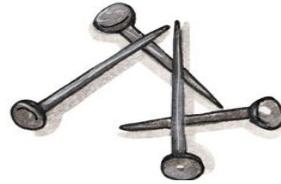
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