

# Sunday School Lesson

April 12, 2020

3<sup>rd</sup> grade through high school

Matthew 28: 1-10

Easter Sunday, He is Risen, Indeed



## Materials needed:

Bible or Spark Story Bible

Crayons

White construction paper

Yellow and green pipe cleaners or any colors you have at home (paper will work if you do not have pipe cleaners)

Child scissor

Clear tape

Ribbon

## Journal

1. Today we remember when the earth shook, the stone covering Jesus' tomb was rolled back and Mary and Mary Magdalene found the empty tomb, the Easter Story! Jesus has risen!!
2. Read the Story of the Empty Tomb to your child or with your child found in Matthew 28: 1-10 and on page 482 of the Spark Story Bible.
3. You and I have reason to be happy today!! We are happy because we know that Jesus rose from the grave and that He lives forever. But we are also happy because we know that the Bible tells us that we, too, will have everlasting life with Jesus someday!!
4. Easter Lily Craft:
  - a. You or your child trace your child's hands on white paper
  - b. Cut out the hand shapes
  - c. Roll the hand shape vertically to form a funnel shape, secure the side with clear tape
  - d. Roll each finger down to form the curls of each bloom
  - e. Cut the yellow pipe cleaners (one per flower) to about 3" each. Loosely curve the yellow piece to form a U shape. Wrap the top of the green pipe cleaner at the bottom of the U
  - f. Curl the ends of the yellow pipe cleaner to form the center of the bloom.
  - g. Insert the completed green stem into the center of the bloom and pull through.
  - h. Gather the flowers and wrap a ribbon around the stems to make a bouquet. Give to someone you love!!
5. Create a journal entry for Easter Sunday! Title it April 12, 2020 The Empty Tomb! Draw or write your ideas for this story. Some questions to ponder: Jesus' death seemed very bad to the disciples. Did God make something good come out of Jesus' death? Today we are experiencing many things that are difficult for many people, seemingly very bad. Do you see any good things that are happening in the midst of the pandemic? How can a place that seems empty,

like the tomb, be full of something? Can you name things and people that God brings to fill your days that are now empty of what used to fill your days? Can God use you to help fill someone's day?

6. Sing together page 365 in the red hymnal "Jesus Christ is Risen Today!"

7. Close with A Prayer

Dear God, we thank You for Easter Sunday and the resurrection of our Lord Jesus (Children say, "He is risen!"). We are not surprised that the tomb was empty. He has risen just as He said He would. We ask for your blessing on our families and our world today, Lord. Especially we pray for Mrs. Harvey and her family who are quarantined because of the virus. We pray for Mrs. Harvey's return to good health. Please help Mrs. Harvey and her family and all of us feel your comfort and peace. Amen!

**Alleluia, He is Risen Indeed, Alleluia!!**