



## Sunday Resources for Easter Sunday, April 12, 2020

**Lesson:** *The God's Wonderful Surprise*, from the Jesus Storybook Bible, page 310  
The Resurrection, from Matthew 28, Mark 16, Luke 24, John 20

**Aim:** To understand that Jesus was raised from the dead.

### Questions:

- Did Jesus really die and come back to life or is this all just a great imaginary story? *Jesus did, in fact, die and stay dead for 3 days. He did come back to life. Historical accounts and eyewitnesses support this.*
- Why is it important that Jesus died and rose again? *Jesus had to die and suffer the punishment for our sin. When he came back to life, he crushed sin and death!*
- Is Jesus alive today? *Yes, he is alive today. He is seated at the right hand of the father and he also lives in his children (believers) on this earth.*

**Review:** Our sin deserves death. When Jesus died and came back to life, he beat death and sin lost its power. The tomb is empty! There is no body! Jesus is alive, just like he said. The King is alive.

**Reflect:** What did we discover about Jesus from today's story?

**Prayer:** God, thank you for Jesus. Thank you for dying for our sins, beating death. Praise God! The tomb is empty!

### Activities:

- ★ Make a crown out of construction paper. Write the words, "Jesus is alive!" in big letters on the crown. Decorate the crowns with any craft items or markers. Repeat "Jesus is alive!" throughout your day.
- ★ Label blocks or LEGOS with different sins. Build a tower. Knock it down and talk about how Jesus beat sin and death.
- ★ [Make resurrection rolls](#) for breakfast on Easter Sunday with crescent rolls and marshmallows. When you put the rolls in the oven, the marshmallow will "disappear" as a tangible example of the empty tomb and how Jesus could not be held down by death. Remind your family throughout the baking and eating that ***He is risen!***

### Links:

Video version of Jesus Storybook Bible Lesson, [God's Wonderful Surprise](#)

SING: [Story of the Cross](#) by Rend Co Kids; [Jesus is Alive](#) by Rain For Roots

Additional reading: [The Garden, the Curtain, and the Cross](#) read by Trillia Newbell