

# Children's Packet

Dear Fearless Families,

We created a special Easter packet just for you and your children! Take this time to enjoy a wonderful Easter experience together. Even if you're not a child you may enjoy these:



**EASTER LESSON:** Sometime over the weekend read Matthew 28:1-10 together as a family, let your children help by reading parts of the story with you. Then spend some time talking through the discussion questions. What most impacted your family about this passage?

**MUSICAL INSTRUMENT:** Help your children make musical instruments for use during the Easter Online singing time. Use an empty water bottle or a travel coffee mug with a cover. Put some rice or peas or bean in it and you have a shaky egg! Tip a laundry basket upside down for a drum. Now turn up the volume and celebrate with the singing.

**MESSAGE ACTIVITY:** While you're watching the Easter online message, give your children the activity/coloring sheets so they have an something to do while you enjoy the Easter celebration service.

**SCAVENGER HUNT:** The Color Scavenger Hunt could be done outside. I think you and your family will remember this Easter for years to come.

Be sure to take picture throughout the day, you will want to remember this Easter as a special time for your family. This is when memories are made that last a lifetime.

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## **A New Day Dawns -- Jesus is Alive! Matthew 28:1-10**

The day after the Sabbath day was the first day of the week. At dawn on the first day, Mary Magdalene and another woman named Mary went to look at the tomb.

<sup>2</sup> At that time there was a strong earthquake. An angel of the Lord came down from heaven. The angel went to the tomb and rolled the stone away from the entrance. Then he sat on the stone. <sup>3</sup> He was shining as bright as lightning. His clothes were white as snow. <sup>4</sup> The soldiers guarding the tomb were very frightened of the angel. They shook with fear and then became like dead men.

<sup>5</sup> The angel said to the women, "Don't be afraid. I know that you are looking for Jesus, the one who was killed on the cross. <sup>6</sup> But he is not here. He has risen from death as he said he would. Come and see the place where his body was. <sup>7</sup> And go quickly and tell his

followers. Say to them: 'Jesus has risen from death. He is going into Galilee. He will be there before you. You will see him there.'" Then the angel said, "Now I have told you."

8 The women left the tomb quickly. They were afraid, but they were also very happy. They ran to tell Jesus' followers what had happened. 9 Suddenly, Jesus met them and said, "Greetings." The women came up to Jesus, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. 10 Then Jesus said to them, "Don't be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go on to Galilee. They will see me there."

### Discussion Questions:

1. **When did the women go to visit the tomb?** *(Early Sunday morning.)*
2. **What happened as the women approached the tomb?** *(A violent earthquake shook the ground.)*
3. **What did the women see when they got to the tomb?** *(The rock was rolled away from the door of the tomb and an angel was sitting on top of it.)*
4. **What happened to the guards?** *(When they saw the angel, they were afraid and fell as if dead.)*
5. **What did the angel say to the women?** *(That Jesus had risen from the dead, just like Jesus said He would!)*
6. **What did the women do when they heard this Good News?** *(They were filled with joy and hurried to tell their friends.)*

### Future Lessons:

Our Fearless Churches provide weekly lessons for you children at our websites, scroll down on the home page to "PARENTS, CHILDREN & STUDENTS" and click the button to find lessons.



### Lessons and Memory Verses:

**April Memory Verse:** *Do not worry about anything. But pray and ask God for everything you need. And when you pray, always give thanks. Philippians 4:6 (International Children's Bible)*

April 19: Big Idea - We Can Worship God During Hard Times - Bible Story - Acts 16:20-34 (ICB)

April 26: Big idea - We Can Worship God Out Loud - Bible Story – Luke 19:37-40

**May Memory Verse:** *And God's peace will keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. The peace that God gives is so great that we cannot understand it. Philippians 6:7 (International Children's Bible)*

May 3: Big Idea - Jesus Changes Lives (Bible Story: Acts 9:1-22)

May 10: Big Idea - Jesus Loves Everyone (Bible Story: Acts 10:1-38)

May 17: Big Idea - Jesus Gives Freedom (Bible Story: Acts 12:1-17)

May 24: Memorial Day Weekend – Celebrating the Fruits of the Spirit

May 31: True Story: Big Idea - Jesus Helps Us Share His Story (Bible Story: Acts 13:1-5:38-39)

# CHILDRENS SCAVENGER HUNT

Together as a family find all colors noted below, using this time to tell your children about Jesus and how He saved us from our sins because He loves us so much!



**1. Find Something Black – Our sin**

Psalm 25:11: For the sake of your name, Lord, forgive my many sins.

**2. Find Something Purple - Jesus is the King of Kings, He is fully God and rules overall**

1 Timothy 6:15: He is the blessed and only Ruler. He is the King of all kings and the Lord of all lords.

**3. Find Something Orange - Jesus was fully man, he understands**

Luke 2: 6-7: While Joseph and Mary were in Bethlehem, the time came for her to have the baby. She gave birth to her first son. There were no rooms left in the inn. So, she wrapped the baby with cloths and laid him in a box where animals are fed.

**4. Find Something Brown – The cross**

Matthew 27:31: After they finished making fun of Jesus, the soldiers took off the robe and put his own clothes on him again. Then they led Jesus away to be killed on a cross.

**5. Find Something Red – Jesus is our Savior his blood brings forgiveness**

Romans 3:25: We receive forgiveness through faith. And all of this is because of the blood of Jesus' death.

**6. Find Something Grey – The tomb**

Matthew 27:60: They put Jesus' body in a new tomb that he had cut in a wall of rock. He rolled a very large stone to block the entrance of the tomb.

**7. Find Something White – I'm clean**

Ephesians 1:7: In Christ we are set free by the blood of his death. And so, we have forgiveness of sins because of God's rich grace.

**8. Find Something Green – Growing in Christ**

2 Peter 3:18: But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Glory be to him now and forever! Amen.

**9. Find Something Clear- Jesus is always with me through His Holy Spirit**

John 14:26: But the Helper will teach you everything. He will cause you to remember all the things I told you. This Helper is the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in my name.

**10. Find Something Gold - Jesus is preparing a home for believers in Heaven**

2 Corinthians 5:1: God will have a house for us to live in. It will not be a house made by men. It will be a home in heaven that will last forever. And...

Revelation 21:21: The street of the city was made of pure gold. The gold was clear as glass.



Please note, all Bible verses are taken from the International Children's Bible (ICB)

(Jesus said...) "Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. And you know the way to where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."



**John 14:1-6** (ESV)

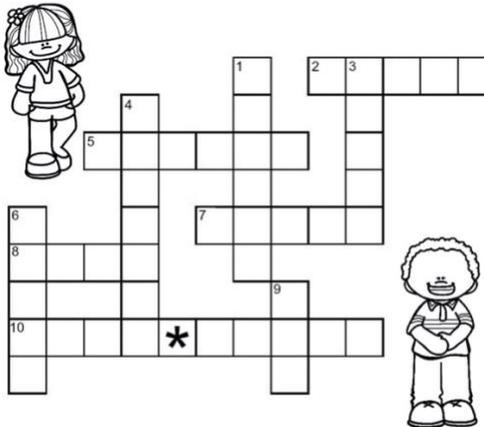
Use the verses above to answer these questions, then fill in the crossword puzzle on the next page.

**Across:**

2. Jesus said, "I am the way, and the \_\_\_\_\_, and the life."
5. "Let not your \_\_\_\_\_ be troubled."
7. Who are we to believe in?
8. Jesus is the way and the truth and the \_\_\_\_\_.
10. Jesus said that He was leaving, but some day He will \_\_\_\_\_.

**Down:**

1. Jesus is the only way that we can get to the \_\_\_\_\_.
3. In the Father's house are many \_\_\_\_\_.
4. We need to \_\_\_\_\_ in God the Father and in Jesus.
6. Jesus has gone to prepare a \_\_\_\_\_ for us.
9. Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_, and the truth, and the life.



**My favorite part of the Easter story is...**

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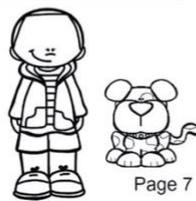
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**Complete the maze to find the hidden Bible verse.**



## How does your family celebrate Easter?

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 of God the Father. Philippians 2:8-11 (ESV)

### Code:

1=M	6=Y	11=C	16=L
2=X	7=N	12=U	17=R
3=K	8=A	13=B	18=D
4=E	9=O	14=I	19=S
5=H	10=T	15=G	20=J

