

EASTER AT MISSION

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TODAY'S BIBLE STORY

Alive
Easter
Colossians 1:20 and
John 20:1-18

TODAY'S BOTTOM LINE

God made peace with us.

MONTHLY MEMORY VERSE

So let us do all we can to live
in peace. And let us work hard
to build up one another.
Romans 14:19, NIV

MONTHLY LIFE APP

Peace—Proving you care
more about each other than
winning an argument

BASIC TRUTH

I can trust God no matter what.

EARLY ARRIVER

WHAT YOU NEED : hand sanitizer, easter eggs and jelly beans

WHAT YOU DO :

- Welcome kids to Small Group with a “Happy Easter [Resurrection Day]!”
- Direct the kids to use one pump of hand sanitizer.
- Talk about Easter. Admire the kids’ fancy outfits, talk about candy, and ask about family dinners.
- Invite kids to take an Easter egg and pick ONE JELLY BEAN to put inside their egg
 - ***DO NOT EAT THE JELLY BEANS - THEY ARE OLD
- Once they have a jelly bean in their egg, ask kids to swap eggs with someone else in the group.
- Have them pass around the eggs a few times.
- Then, ask one kid at a time to open their Easter eggs to see what color jelly bean they have. Based on the color of jelly bean they have, have them answer the questions below:
 - Red: someone they’re excited to talk to today
 - Yellow: something they want to eat
 - Orange: someplace they’re going
 - Green: candy they hope to receive
 - Blue: a great memory they have of Easter past
 - Purple: one fun tradition their family does at Easter
 - Pink: one thing they are wearing or will wear later today that they love
 - Black: Free choice! They can tell the group anything they like about Easter.
- If your kids get bored with this game... create a new game with the eggs and jelly beans.
 - ***IDEA: have kids break into teams and race to fill 5-10 eggs with jelly beans
 - ***IDEA: have kids line up to toss their eggs into the bowl. If they make it and the egg does not bust open, they sit down. If it breaks, they must get the egg and the jelly bean, put it back together and get back in line to try again.

EASTER RESPONSE CARDS

WHAT YOU NEED : Response cards, pens/markers/crayons

BEFORE LARGE GROUP: Have kids write down their first name, last name, and grade on the response cards. This will save time later.

WHAT YOU DO :

- Lead kids through the commitment options on the cards, helping them narrow down to one or two (but we understand many kids will just choose all of the options)
 - tell someone in your family about Jesus
 - invite someone to come back to church with you
 - commit to following Jesus
 - get more info about being baptized
- Once they have all completed their response cards, have kids share about their favorite part of Easter Jam.

PRAY AND DISMISS

[PRAY TO GOD | PRAYER ACTIVITY]

WHAT YOU NEED : nothing

WHAT YOU DO :

- Have kids turn in all of their response cards.
- Take time to pray together as a group.

WHAT YOU SAY:

“Dear God, thank You for sending Jesus to make peace with us! We celebrate Your goodness and love today and that Your power is stronger than anything! Please help us tell everyone we know about Your peace. We love You and, we pray these things in Jesus’ name. Amen.”

EXTRA FUN

WHAT YOU NEED : supplies from early arriver games

WHAT YOU DO :

- Go back and play the games again from the early arriver activities