

Unearthing the Truth about the Resurrection: Introduction

Setting the Stage

During the next four (4) Sundays, you will be helping to lead your class in unearthing some great truths about the Resurrection. This series will provide you with more material than you will need so plan to pick and choose what will work best in your ministry and context.

Bible Stories ... You can choose to use them in any order

Unearthing the Truth about the Resurrection: Jesus Serves His Friends

Scripture: John 13:1-17

Lesson Aim: Jesus is a good friend. He took care of His friends through serving their needs and praying for them. We can learn to serve and pray for our friends.

Unearthing the Truth about the Resurrection: Jesus Paid It All

Scripture: Luke 23:26-49

Lesson Aim: Jesus loves us so much that He willingly died on the cross for the forgiveness of our sins. When we respond to God's call to repent and ask Jesus to forgive our sins, He washes us clean so we may have eternal life with Him in Heaven.

Unearthing the Truth about the Resurrection: We Can Praise Jesus

Scripture: Matthew 21:1-11

Lesson Aim: Jesus is described in many ways and with many names. He is worthy to be praised for who He is and what He has done for us. We can praise Jesus every day.

Unearthing the Truth about the Resurrection: Jesus Gives Us a Mission

Scripture: John 20:1-18

Lesson Aim: Easter reminds us that we have been redeemed by Jesus, and given new life through Him. Because of that, we have hope for now and for the future, and we can share that hope with one another.

Resurrection Cards

Each week we will suggest some visuals to help you tell the stories of the Resurrection. We have created Resurrection Cards that you might choose to copy and give to the kids each week to help them to remember the stories. If you have the means, consider laminating them for longevity. During your first week, you might consider letting kids decorate a quart size Ziploc bag that you wrap in a sheet of cardstock and staple around the edges and wrap it with pretty colored decorated. On Day Three, we suggest each child make a treasure box to house their Resurrection cards or other important items they have. By the end of the series, your kids should have a good handle on the Resurrection story with the help of these cards. This may be a great way they can engage their families in the gospel story.



Why Levi the Lamb is so Happy!



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Why Levi the Lamb is So Happy! Coloring Book

This series includes a coloring book about Levi the Lamb who is excited to tell others about why he is so happy. You may choose to include time at the end of each class to read part of Levi's story. Levi's story gives a great presentation of the Gospel on their level. You might consider giving the kids a blank piece of paper and art supplies to illustrate what they hear each week. On Easter, you can give each child a coloring book and perhaps a small stuffed lamb to remind them of their new friend, Levi. This special resource was written, designed and created by Grace Rizzi of Farmington, New Hampshire. Her son, Richard Rizzi, Jr. illustrated this beautiful resource.

You might consider doing a special outreach event based on Levi the Lamb and use a spring theme to decorate and incorporate games and snacks around. You might invest in a Lamb costume and have Levi the Lamb come and have a photo op. Another option is to have a Ben the storyteller come and introduce the kids to his friend, "Levi." Ben could read the story of Levi and then give all your attendees their own coloring book and stuffed "Levi" lamb.