



Jesus Cares for Martha, Mary, and Lazarus

Lesson Aim: To see when we are sad,
Jesus is sad for us.

THE WORSHIP

Who God is: Jesus as Lord

THE WORD

Bible Story: John 11:3-4, 21-23, 32-44

What He has done: Jesus wept when He saw their sorrow.

CRAFT: "LAZARUS, COME OUT!"

Purpose: To remind the children of the story of Jesus calling Lazarus out of the tomb.

Supplies: Craft template (available at ResourceWell.org), sturdy gray and white paper, 1-inch x 12-inch strips of gauze (or white cloth or tissue paper), paper or plastic cup, tape, glue or glue sticks, crayons or markers

Prepare: For each child, use the template to print and cut out Lazarus, the tomb, and the label. Cut a 12-inch strip of gauze.

When Lazarus died, his body was laid to rest in a special tomb which was like a cave with a large stone for a door. When Jesus went to the tomb, they rolled away the stone. What did Jesus say in a loud voice? ("Lazarus, come out!")

Directions:

1. Color Lazarus.
2. Wrap Lazarus in the 12-inch strip of gauze and secure with tape or glue.
3. Color the tomb.
4. Tape the tomb on the cup so the tomb opening is in front of the opening of the cup.
5. Place Lazarus inside the tomb.
6. Attach the label to the side of the cup.

Ages 2-3 Craft Discussion:

- **How do you think Jesus, Martha, and Mary felt when Lazarus was in the tomb?** (Children respond.)
- **Let's act out the story of Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead using your craft.** Show children how to put Lazarus in the tomb. **Let's say in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!"** Bring Lazarus out of the tomb.
- **How do you think his friends and sisters felt to see Lazarus come out alive?** (Children respond.)

Ages 4-5 Craft Discussion:

- **How do you think Jesus, Martha, and Mary felt when Lazarus was in the tomb?** (Children respond.)
- **Let's act out the story of Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead using your craft.** Show children how to put Lazarus in the tomb. **Let's say in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!"** Bring Lazarus out of the tomb.
- **How do you think his friends and sisters felt to see Lazarus come out alive?** (Children respond.)

CRAFT SAMPLE







