

At-A-Glance: Ages 2-3 Prophets & Promises Part 1: Acts-Revelation Unit 3, Lesson 15

# The Resurrection: Jesus Lives

Lesson Aim: To know Jesus died to save us and then rose to life.

# THE WELCOME

#### **CENTERS**

COLORING CENTER: Jesus Lives!

PLAY-DOUGH CENTER: The Stone Was Rolled Away

GAME CENTER: Easter Story Matching Game

MUSIC CENTER: Jesus Is Risen!

### THE WORSHIP THE GOD WHO SAVES US

Today, we celebrate Easter. It is the day we remember Jesus gave His life to save us, rose again, and now He lives forever. Let's pray. Have the children bow their heads and close their eyes. Dear Jesus, help us to remember why we celebrate Easter. Because You rose to life, we can be with You forever. Amen.

Sing the Bible Memory Verse Song and other related songs.

**OFFERING:** Collect the offering.

WORSHIP ILLUSTRATION: The Adventures of Delbert & Lello puppet

script or storybook

**BIBLE MEMORY VERSE:** Practice Bible Memory Verse with the motions. "The Lord your God is with you, He is mighty to save."

Zephaniah 3:17a

# THE WORD JESUS' FRIENDS KNEW HE WAS ALIVE CLASSROOM PROMISE

Hold up the stone. What could we use this stone for? Let's see if it's big enough to cover the opening in this cup. Hold stone over opening. This reminds me of a very special Bible story; it is why we celebrate Easter. After Jesus died, His friends placed His body in a tomb. The stone they rolled over the opening was

much bigger than the one I have here. It would have taken several people to roll it into place. But, not even a huge stone could keep Jesus from coming back to life. Let's listen. Handle the Bible as a special treasure, leaving it open to John 20:1.

#### WATCH THE WORD: JOHN 20:1-18

Read poem. Display visual.

- > Jesus came to save the world.
- > He died for every boy and girl.
- > He died on the cross for me and you.
- > They placed His body in a tomb.
- > They closed the tomb with a heavy stone.
- ➤ His friends were sad—they felt alone.
- Mary came back on the third day.
- > She saw the stone was rolled away.
- Mary ran to tell Peter and John!
- > They ran and saw that Jesus was gone!
- Peter wondered where Jesus could be.
- John looked inside and he believed.
- Mary saw Jesus with her own eyes!
- > She ran to tell others about this surprise.
- "I've seen the Lord," Mary said.
- "He has risen from the dead!"

Who went to the tomb first? (Mary.) Jesus was not in the tomb. Is Jesus alive? (Yes.) Let's say it together: "Jesus is alive!"

### THE WAY WE KNOW JESUS IS ALIVE

CRAFT: Jesus' Empty Tomb

**GAMES:** The Tomb Is Empty, Easter Symbols

**SNACK:** "Rolled Away" Cookies

### **FINAL FIVE MINUTES**

- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE
- PRAY
- PLAY
- DISMISSAL (Coloring page, craft, Ponder, Pray & Play)

## **GOT TIME?**

**SAY & DO:** John 20:1-18

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: Bible Memory Verse Cheer, God

Is with You STORY TIME