

Please see the following PDF's that coordinate with this lesson.

- Easter Story Cards
- Easter Story Resurrection Eggs

Making the Eggs

Materials:

- An empty egg carton
- 12 plastic eggs
- 11 story starters, as described below

Instructions:

- 1. An egg carton holds 12 eggs, right? So let's go with 12 parts to our story. Number your eggs from 1 to 12.
- 2. After a lot of research, I chose these 12 Bible verses that are important to our kids' understanding of the story of Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection. You can place the actual items shown below or you can print the story card pdf attached and cut the pictures apart.
- 3. I have attached the Easter Story that includes each egg or you can just open each egg and read in order.



(1) a small plastic branch or leaf

Mark 11:8-10 "Many people spread their cloaks on the road, while others spread **branches** they had cut in the fields. Those who went ahead and those who followed shouted, "Hosanna!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"



(2) a dime

Matthew 26:14-15 "Then one of the Twelve--the one called Judas Iscariot--went to the chief priests and asked, "What are you willing to give me if I hand him over to you?" So they counted out for him thirty **silver coins**."



(3) small bite size saltines sealed with shalaque or something similar

Matthew 26:17-19 "On the first day of the Feast of Unleavened **Bread**, the disciples came to Jesus and asked, "Where do you want us to make preparations for you to eat the Passover?" He replied, "Go into the city to a

certain man and tell him, 'The Teacher says: My appointed time is near. I am going to celebrate the Passover with my disciples at your house.' So the disciples did as Jesus had directed them and prepared the Passover."



(4) a small piece of soap or wash cloth

John 13:4-5 "so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a **towel** around his waist. After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him."



(5) a small plastic communion cup or let children form small cups from clay

Matthew 26:39 "And he went a little further, and fell on his face, and prayed, saying, O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou wilt."



(6) a small strip of leather like they use to make bracelets

Matthew 27: 2, 26 "They bound him, led him away and handed him over to Pilate, the governor." (26) "Then he released Barabbas to them. But he had Jesus **flogged**, and handed him over to be crucified."



(7) a small thorn or piece of a small rose bush stem

Matthew 27:29 "and then twisted together a crown of **thorns** and set it on his head. They put a staff in his right hand and knelt in front of him and mocked him. "Hail, king of the Jews!" they said."



(8) hot glue two small twigs together to make a cross that will fit into the egg

John 17:18-19 "Carrying his own **cross**, he went out to the place of the Skull (which in Aramaic is called Golgotha). Here they crucified him, and with him two others--one on each side and Jesus in the middle.



(9) a die (can be purchased in boxes of six by decks of cards at most stores)

Matthew 27:35 "When they had crucified him, they divided up his clothes by casting lots."



(10) a small piece of linen cloth or gauze

Matthew 27:59 "Joseph took the body, wrapped it in a clean linen **cloth**, and placed it in his own new tomb that he had cut out of the rock. He rolled a big stone in front of the entrance to the tomb and went away."



(11) a stone (you can purchase pretty ones in bags in the craft section of stores)

Matthew 27:66 "So they went and made the tomb secure by putting a seal on the stone and posting the guard."

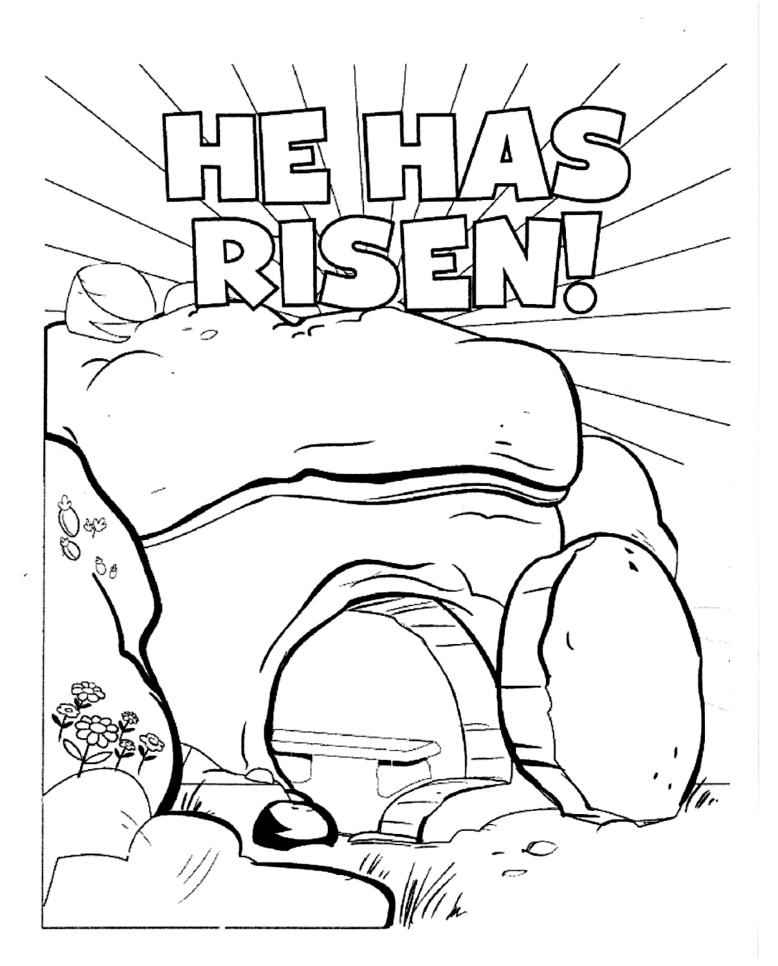


(12) leave this egg empty

Matthew 28:5-6 "The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; **He has risen**, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay."

Name _____





Easter Cross Craft for Children



It's hard to avoid Easter eggs and the like, at Easter time. With this simple craft you can illustrate the real meaning behind Easter to your children.

What you will need:

- 2 Paper Plates
- Black Paper
- Yellow Paper
- 2 craft pins
- Paper and pencils to decorate an easter egg
- Scissors
- Glue

What to do:

Cut out the light from the Yellow Paper and glue it to the first plate. Cut out the cross from the Black Paper and glue it over the light.

Draw and decorate an Easter egg and glue it on the front plate. Cut the plate down the middle. Attach with pins to the first plate so that it slides open.

