

Hope is believing that something good can come out of something bad.

DAY 1

Read Matthew 28:6

After Jesus was buried, Mary went to visit Jesus' tomb. As she arrived, an earthquake shook the ground beneath her. An angel came down from heaven and rolled the huge stone away and sat on it. The guards keeping watch over the tomb fainted right on the spot.

The angel knew Mary was looking for Jesus. But Jesus wasn't there! He had risen, just like He said He would. The stone had been rolled away, not to let Jesus out of the tomb but to allow Mary to see for herself that Jesus is alive!

Jesus' death wasn't the end of the story. He came back to life and gives us hope. Because Jesus is alive, we can have a relationship with God that will last forever.

The Empty Tomb

- ➔ Grab a piece of paper and coloring materials.
- ➔ Draw a picture of what this scene might have looked like. Include the open tomb, the angel sitting on the stone, the Roman guards and the two Mary's.
- ➔ Then, write out the words of today's verse along the bottom of the page.

DAY 2

Read John 16:33b

Jesus spoke these words to His closest followers, the disciples. He knew His time on earth was about to end. And He wanted to prepare these men for life without Him. So, he reminded them of one big truth. They could have hope because Jesus wins.

When we put our trust in Jesus and what He did for us on the cross, we find real hope. Because no matter what "trouble" we face in this world, Jesus has overcome it. We are on the winning side when we choose to follow Jesus. He beat death. He rose again. **Whatever happens, you can have hope because Jesus is alive.**

Trouble

1. On a separate sheet of paper, write down some examples of "trouble" in your own world. Maybe you're fighting with your best friend. Maybe school is really hard right now. Maybe you and a sibling aren't getting along.
2. Over the examples you've written, write the words "Jesus wins!" in big block letters.
3. Then, say a prayer thanking God for the hope we have in Jesus.



DAY 3

Read Acts 2:24

Jesus died and was buried. But He didn't stay dead. He rose again. He's alive. So why is this event we read about in history so significant?

God loves you and wants a relationship with you. God sent Jesus to show us how big God's love is—no matter what. When we trust and follow Jesus, we can have a relationship with God forever.

Have you heard this good news before? What do you think? Find a trusted adult, one you know that follows God, and talk about this good news. Feel free to ask questions and pray for God to help you understand it too.

DAY 4



Read Acts 10:39-40

With a parent's permission, head to YouTube and type in "Most Amazing Talented Kids Compilation" into the search bar. Then sit back and watch some amazing kids do some amazing things.

You might have thought those things were impossible until you saw them with your own eyes. That's how Peter, a follower of Jesus, felt. He knew Jesus was alive.

Peter spoke about what he witnessed, what he saw with his own two eyes. He saw his friend, Jesus, be arrested, tried, convicted, and crucified. And then, Jesus rose again!

While you and I didn't experience or witness Jesus' death and resurrection right in front of us like Peter did, we can still believe it happened. That's what faith is. That's hope. **Whatever happens, remember Jesus is alive.**



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