



# Preschool Lesson



## Dead Or Alive?



### Whatchagaddaknow:

“Jesus Was Dead, But Now He’s Alive!”



### Power Verse:

“I am the living one. I died, but look – I am alive forever and ever!”

- Revelation 1:18a

## Before the Lesson

- \* Collect the items for the activities you plan to use, referring to the Classroom Supplies and Lesson Manual Supplies listed in the chart.
- \* Pray for your students and for God’s direction in teaching the class.

## This Lesson at a Glance

Activity	Classroom Supplies	Lesson Manual Supplies
Bible Story – This week, the kids will learn from the story of Jesus dying and coming back to life (Luke 23:50-24:12).		Bible Story Pictures (pg. 5-10)
Hands-On-Learning – The kids will learn that because Jesus is alive, we can have eternal life!	Sunflower seed, live plant	
Craft Option #1 – Bible Story Coloring Page	Crayons or markers	Bible Story Coloring Page Print Piece (pg. 11)
Craft Option #2 - Empty Tomb Craft	Crayons or markers, scissors, brads	Empty Tomb Craft Print Piece (pg. 12-13)
Craft Option #3 – Jesus Is Alive Coloring Page	Crayons or markers	Jesus Is Alive Coloring Page Print Piece (pg. 14)



# Bible Story

**Supplies Needed:** Bible Story Pictures (provided on pg. 5-10)

**Teacher Instruction:** Before class begins, print the Bible Story Pictures. Have the children gathered around so they can see the pictures.

**Say-** Easter is a special time, and we have so much to celebrate. Jesus spent three years preaching God’s love to the world and performing miracles. *(show pic)*

**Say-** Jesus’ disciples believed that He would change the world. They loved Jesus very much!

**Say-** One day, something terrible happened. *(show pic)* Jesus was arrested, beaten, and sentenced to death. His hands and feet were nailed to a cross. The soldiers laughed at Him and made fun of Him.

**Say-** The disciples couldn’t believe it. They expected Jesus to fight back and defeat His enemies. Jesus didn’t fight back. Instead, He prayed for God to forgive the people who were hurting Him.

**Say-** Sadly, Jesus died on the cross that day. *(show pic)* The disciples were sad. The disciples thought God’s plan had failed.

**Say-** Jesus’ body was placed in a tomb, and a HUGE, HEAVY stone was rolled over the entrance. Pretend to roll the stone in place with me! (Pretend to roll a heavy stone to seal the tomb) The tomb was completely closed.

**Say-** Three days later, some women came to the tomb. Guess what they found? *(show pic)*

**Say-** The HUGE, HEAVY stone was rolled away. The tomb was OPEN, and Jesus’ body wasn’t there. Wow!

**Say-** Suddenly, an angel appeared to the women and said, *(show pic)* “Why are you looking for Jesus? He isn’t here. He is risen from the dead!”

**Say-** The women went to find the disciples to tell them the good news! Jesus was not dead - JESUS IS ALIVE!  
*(show pic)*

**Say-** Jesus later appeared to the disciples and many others, showing that He was, indeed, alive!

**Say-** We celebrate Easter because Jesus is ALIVE!

**Pray**



# Hands-On Learning

*Supplies Needed: Sunflower seed; live plant*

*Teacher Instruction: Before class begins, gather classroom materials. Have the children gathered around so they can see any illustration materials.*

**Say-** Today, we are talking about something so exciting—Jesus is alive! We learned that Jesus died on the cross because He loves us. His friends were very sad when they put Him in a tomb.

**Ask-** But did Jesus stay in the tomb?

**-Allow time for response-**

**Say-** No way! On the third day, He came back to life!

**Say-** Let's do something to help us understand this. *(Hold up the seed)* Look at this tiny seed. Right now, it looks small and like nothing is happening. It's not a plant yet.

**Ask-** What do you think will happen if we put this seed in the dirt and give it water and sunshine?

**-Allow time for response-**

**Say-** That's right! A plant will grow! *(Show the plant as you describe)* It might start small, but soon, green leaves will come up, and a beautiful plant will bloom one day!

**Say-** When Jesus died, it was like this seed being buried in the ground. His friends thought everything was over. But then something wonderful happened—Jesus came back to life, just like how this seed can grow into something new and alive!

**Ask-** Who came back to life?

**-Allow time for response-**

**Ask-** Jesus came back to life! Is Jesus still alive today?

**-Allow time for response-**

**Say-** That's right! Jesus is alive! When we believe in Him, He gives us new life, just like this seed grows into something new and beautiful. Because Jesus is alive, we can live with Him forever in heaven one day!

**Say-** Let's say this together: “Jesus Was Dead, But Now He's Alive!” *(Say the phrase aloud with the kids)*



## Craft #1: Bible Story Coloring Page

**Supplies Needed:** Bible Story Coloring Page Print Piece (provided on pg. 11); Crayons or markers

**Teacher Instruction:** Before class begins, print the Bible Story Coloring Page Print Piece. Make sure you have enough for each kid to have one. Gather the classroom materials as well. Have the kids sit in an area that is appropriate for coloring.

**How To Do Craft** - Kids can color freely as they choose.



## Craft #2: Empty Tomb Craft

**Supplies Needed:** Empty Tomb Craft Print Piece (provided on pg. 12-13); Crayons or Markers; Scissors; Brads

**Teacher Instruction:** Before class begins, print the Empty Tomb Craft Print Pieces. Make sure you have enough craft pages for each kid to have one. Gather the classroom materials as well. Have the kids sit in an area that is appropriate for crafting.

**How To Do Craft** - Allow the kids to decorate the tomb and accompanying stone pieces. Cut out and place the stone on top of the tomb and push a brad through the spots marked with an x. This will allow the kids to mimic the stone being rolled away. As you help the kids with the craft, talk about how the tomb is empty, and Jesus is ALIVE!



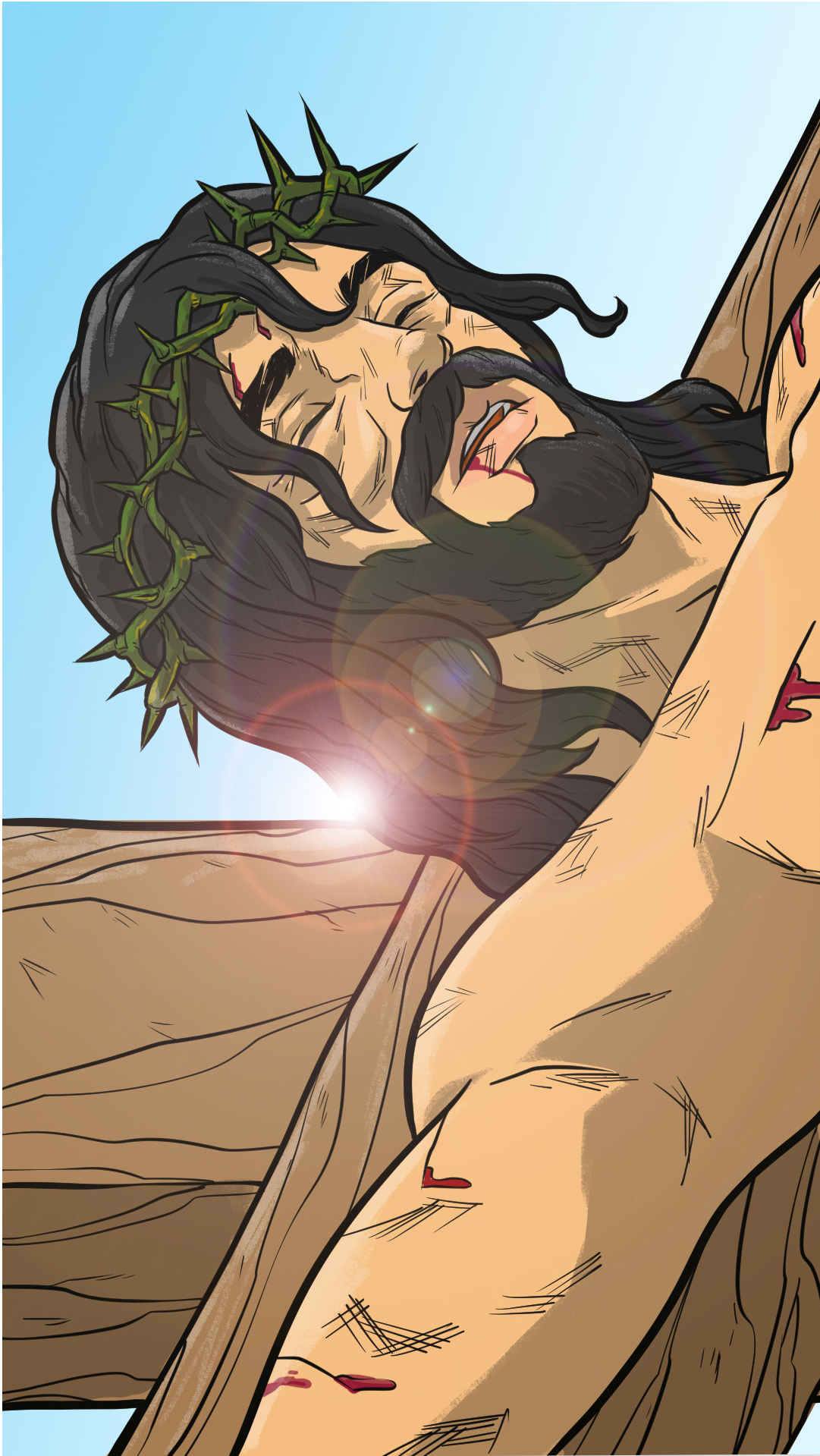
## Craft #3: Jesus Is Alive Coloring Page

**Supplies Needed:** Jesus Is Alive Coloring Page Print Piece (provided on pg. 14); Crayons or markers

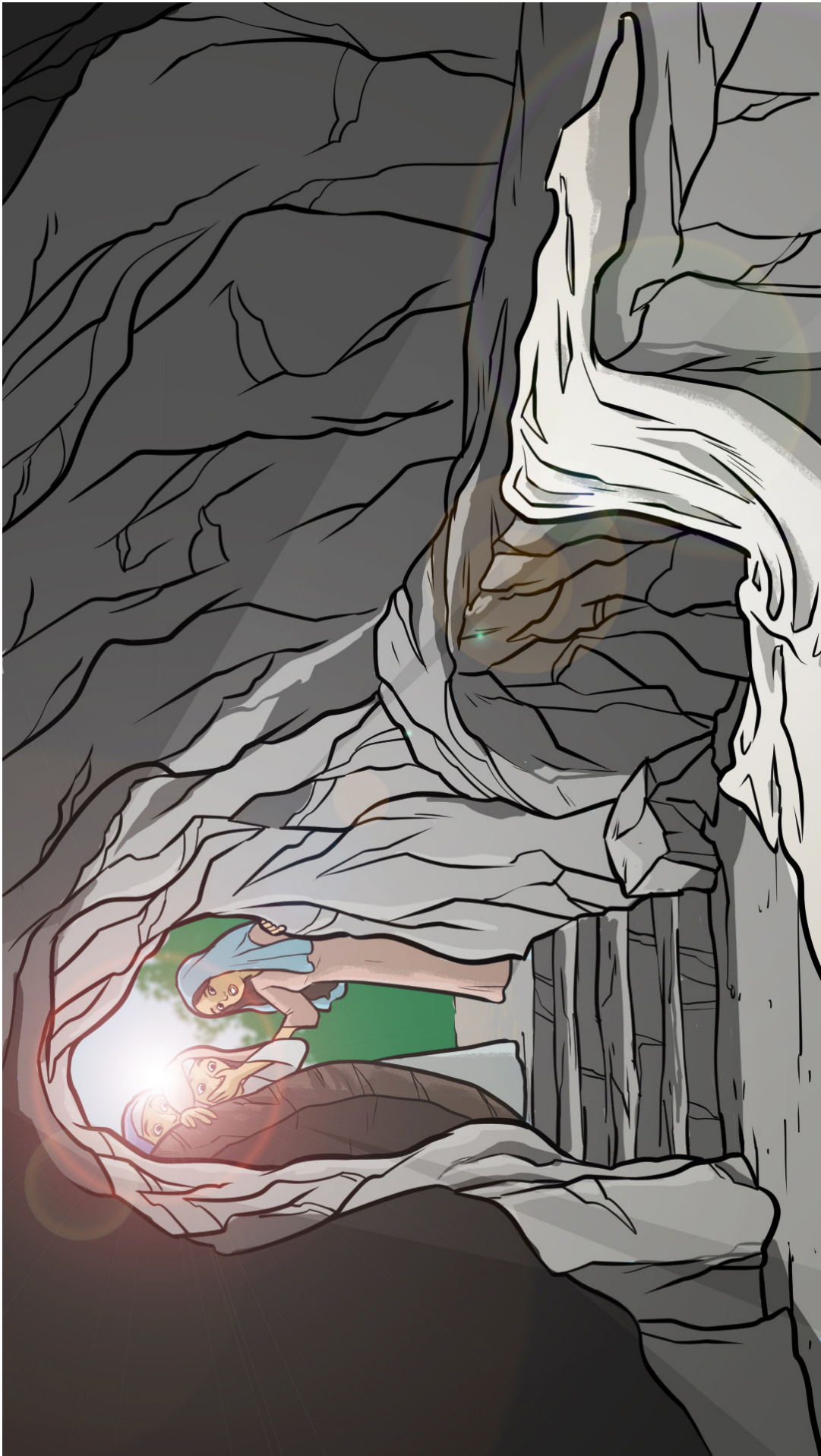
**Teacher Instruction:** Before class begins, print the Jesus Is Alive Coloring Page Print Pieces. Make sure you have enough for each kid to have one. Gather the classroom materials as well. Have the kids sit in an area that is appropriate for coloring.

**How To Do Craft** - Kids can color freely as they choose.



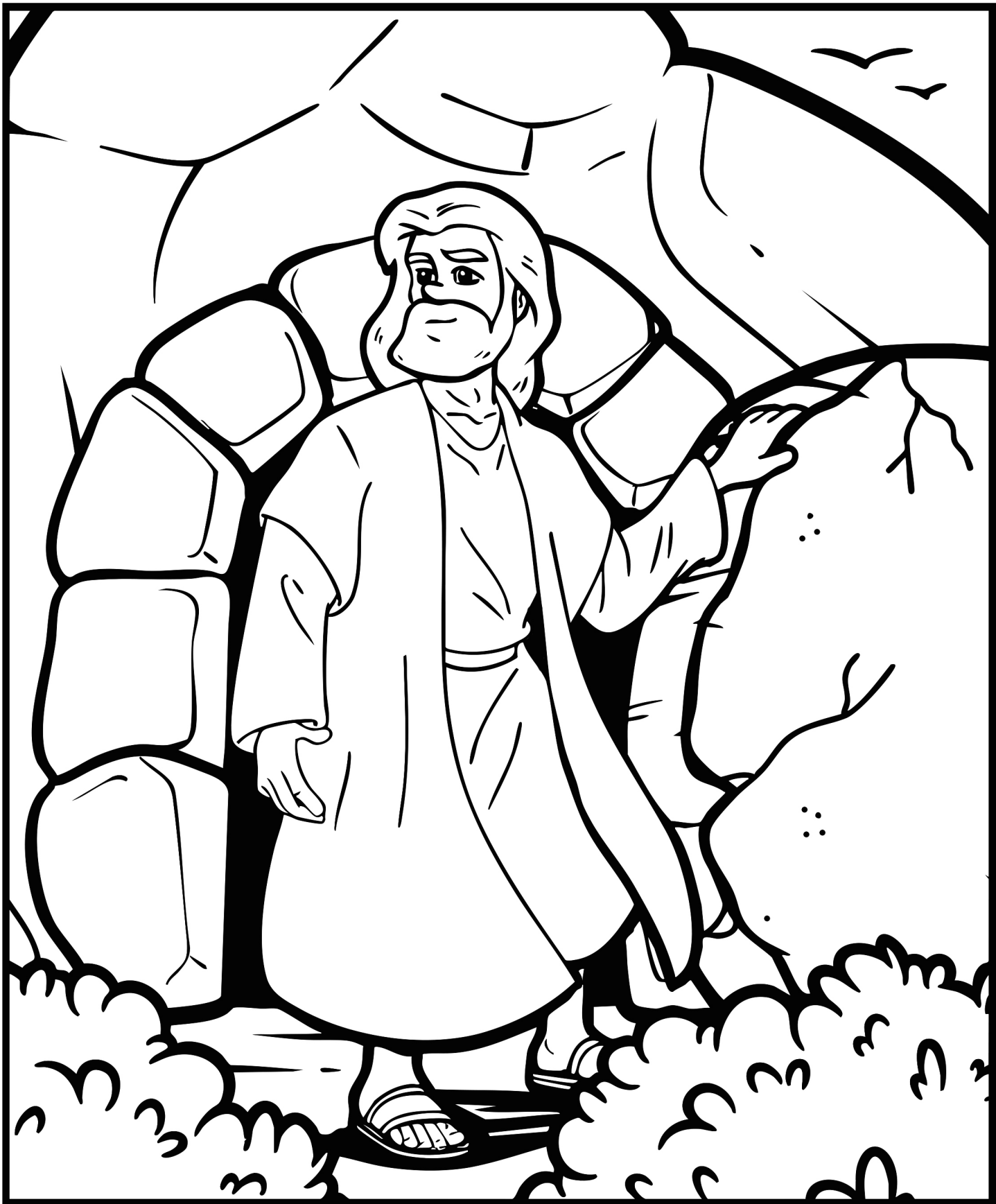




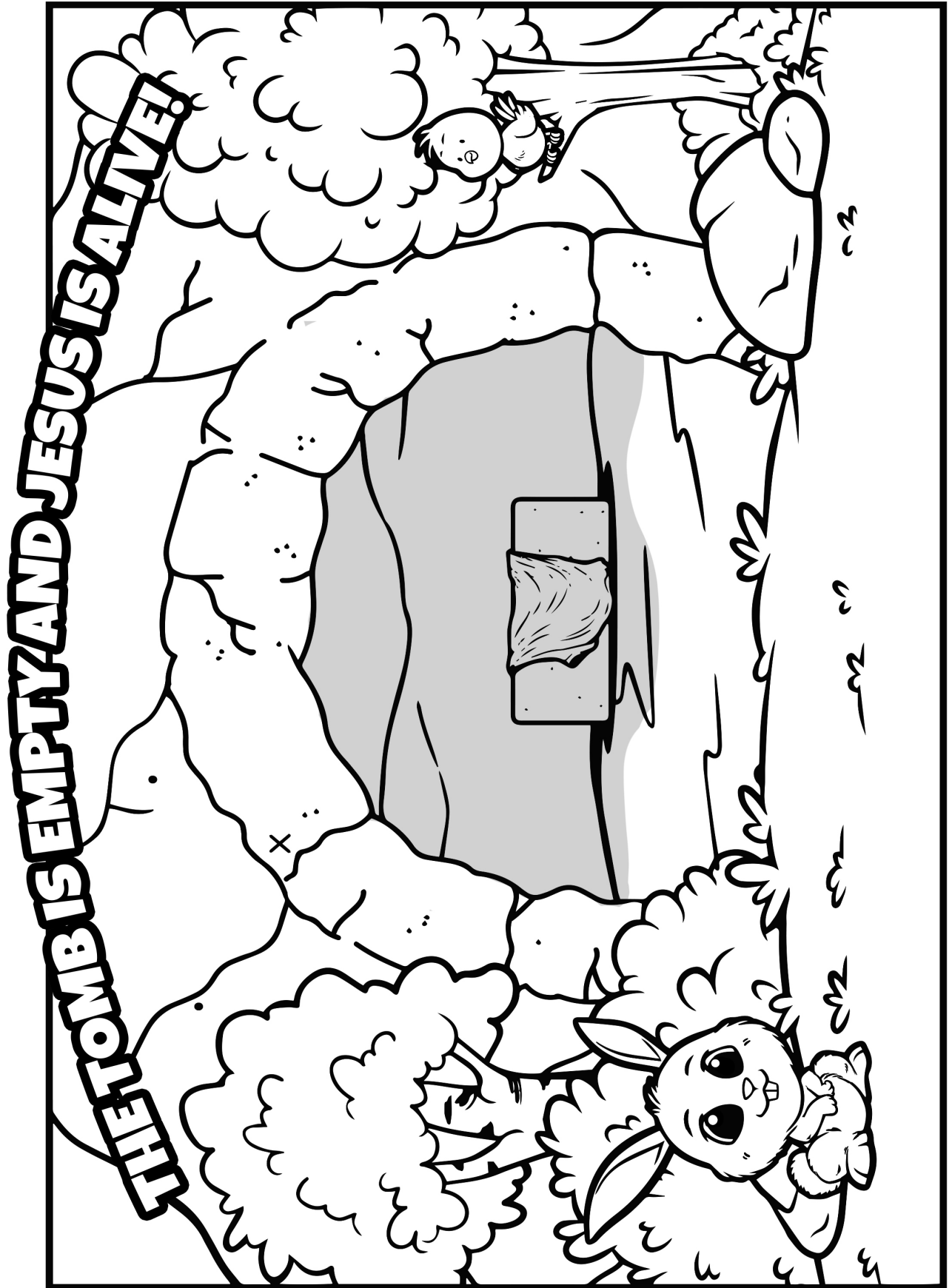


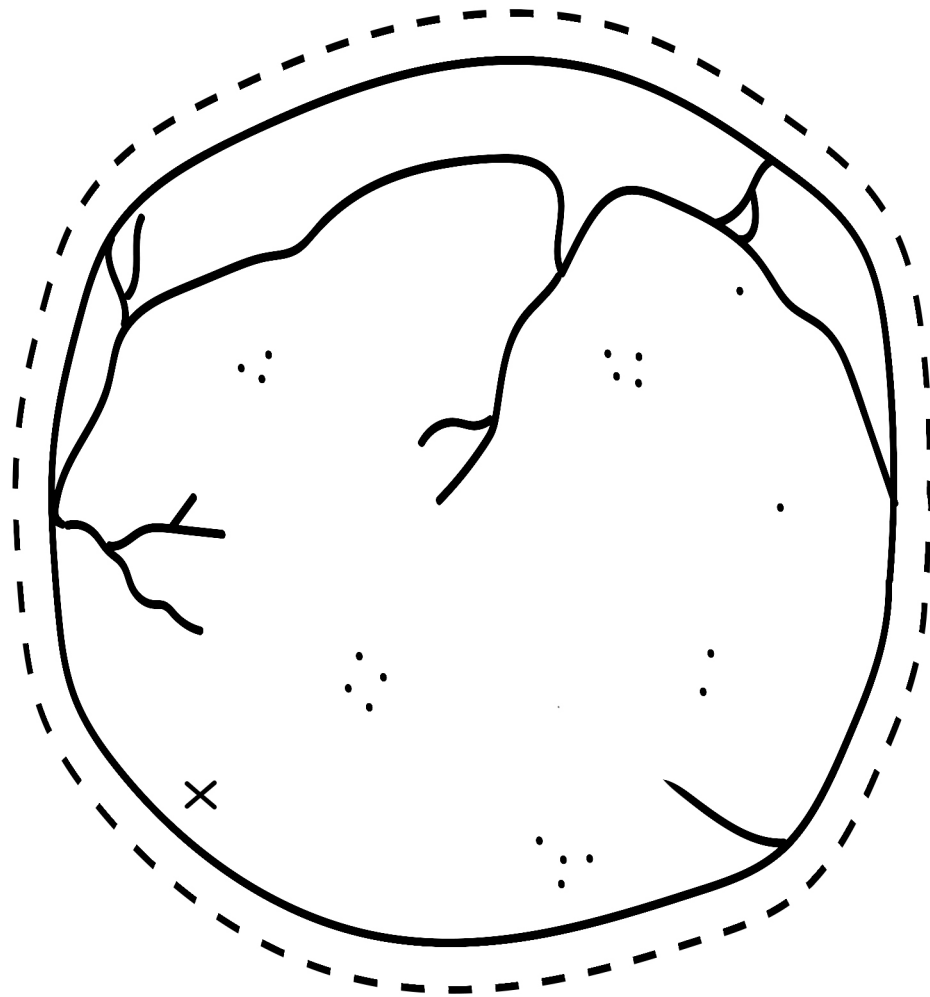






**THE TOMB IS EMPTY AND JESUS IS ALIVE!**







**WE CELEBRATE EASTER BECAUSE JESUS IS ALIVE!**