

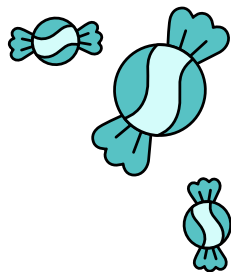
Day 2

Read John 20:1-18

As you read John 20:1-18, look for the moment when Mary realizes that something good has come from something bad. Circle that verse.

Mary thought the situation was terrible—that Jesus had been crucified, and now someone had stolen His body. What happened that changed things?

Mary saw Jesus. When she heard Jesus call her name and she turned to see His face, she knew that Jesus was alive, and that changed everything.



Day 3

Cut a sheet of paper into strips.

On several of the strips, write things that you are thankful for—such as God sending Jesus and raising Him to life. Write some personal things you are thankful for as well—especially good things that came out of something bad.

Then ask your family members to do the same on the remaining strips. Fold up the strips of paper. If you have access to plastic Easter eggs, you can put the folded pieces into eggs. If not, place the strips into a bowl or fun container.

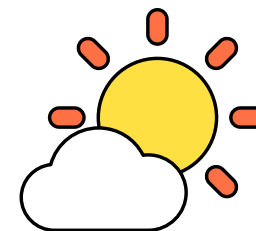
Pull out a couple of strips today and each day for the rest of the week. Use them to pray a prayer of gratitude for the ways God is at work in your life and the lives of your family, closing your prayer by thanking God that Jesus is alive.



Day 4

Why does Easter give us hope?

Did you get any candy for Easter? Or maybe your family made a cake for your Easter dinner? Get a fun treat that you can share with someone and as you enjoy it, talk with each other about this question: **why does Easter give us hope?**



Day 5

Whatever happens, remember Jesus is alive.

It's exciting to remember Jesus is alive, and it brings us so much peace and joy. But that doesn't always mean that everything will turn out how we want. When we remember that Jesus is alive, it helps us **believe that something good can come out of something bad.**

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Fill in the blanks below of a few bad things that could happen, but you could find hope in knowing that Jesus is alive. (They don't have to be really terrible—just things that would make for a bad day.)

Even if \_\_\_\_\_  
Jesus is alive.

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Even if \_\_\_\_\_  
Jesus is alive.

