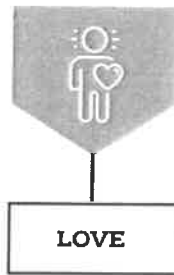


Gr. 1-3 Lesson Template

Where	Who and What	What you Need
Classroom	<p>Teacher takes attendance Give students a sticker</p>	<p>Paper on table, check off who is here, put onto the clipboard</p>
	<p>Easter Egg Hunt: Have your group collect 15 eggs from around the room. Instruct them not to open them quite yet.</p> <p>Then lead groups to open their eggs. Invite groups to take turns bringing you one of their Bible facts to read aloud. Lead groups to work together to determine if it is true or false. Continue until all the facts have been read. Consider leading groups to keep track of how many they got correct.</p> <p>SAY The events we read happened during Jesus' arrest, trial, crucifixion, and resurrection. Jesus suffered and died in our place. Then He rose again. Everything Jesus did allows us to be saved and live with Him forever. Jesus is our perfect King.</p>	<p>Eggs from around the room (15)</p>
Large Group	<p>Large Group Time: Leader is Bryan. He'll get you when ready.</p>	
Classroom	<p>GROUP DISCUSSION (10 minutes) Ask the following questions. Lead the group to discuss.</p> <p>SAY Why was Mary crying when she went to the tomb? Discuss how Mary was sad because she thought someone had taken Jesus away. Point out that she didn't understand that Jesus was raised from the dead. Encourage kids to remember that her crying turned to joy when she saw Jesus is alive.</p> <p>SAY Is death the end for those who trust in Jesus? Why not? Remind kids that because Jesus was raised from the dead, death has been defeated. Discuss how the same power that raised Jesus from the dead is given to those who trust in Him. Prompt kids to think about Jesus' words to Martha in John 11: "Everyone who lives and</p>	<p>See leaders guide if you want more answers</p>

	<p>believes in me will never die" (John 11:26).</p> <p>SAY Mary went and told the disciples that Jesus is alive. Who do you know that needs to hear the good news of Jesus' resurrection? Answers will vary. Remind kids that everyone needs to hear the good news of Jesus' resurrection. Discuss how sin leads to death. Remind kids that those who do not trust in Jesus will die in their sin and be separated from God forever. Encourage kids to remind others that trusting in Jesus saves us from our sin and gives us eternal life.</p>	
Classroom:	<p>Write on the whiteboard "Because of Him (Jesus"... and ask students to share examples, thinking of what Jesus did on the cross and resurrection and what it means for them.</p> <p>Then hand out the paper that says this and have them write an answer.</p> <p>They can fold up their paper and put it into an egg to take home.</p>	
	He is risen wordsearch	
	Hand out a memory verse frame to those who didn't get one last week	

Jesus was not falsely accused.	Jesus was spit on by a soldier.	Jesus was in the tomb when Mary arrived.	The people chose to free Barabbas instead of Jesus.
Caiaphas, the high priest, loved Jesus.	Jesus is the perfect King.	Everyone believed in Jesus after His death on the cross.	Religious leaders paid soldiers to lie about Jesus' resurrection.
Peter and John didn't believe Jesus was alive.	Everyone who believes in Jesus will be saved.	Pilate questioned Jesus.	God was happy to send His Son to earth to rescue people from sin.
Jesus didn't have to die for us to have salvation and forgiveness.	Jesus is alive!	Jesus was never mocked and called King of the Jews.	Jesus' final statement was, "It is finished."
There was darkness for three hours during the day after Jesus' death.	Jesus never sinned but died in our place.	Jesus was buried in Bethlehem.	There was an earthquake right after Jesus died.



THE GOD OF THE GOSPEL

LOVE God by Applying the Story

1 REVIEW & BIBLE SKILLS (5 minutes)

Distribute Bibles. Guide kids to open their Bibles to John 20. Help kids understand that all of the Bible points us to Jesus, not just the Gospels. Remind kids that God had promised a Savior would come since Genesis 3:15. Tell kids that the story of Scripture helps us understand that we cannot save ourselves and that only Jesus can.

Choose a volunteer to read aloud John 20:18 or ask the kids to follow along as you read the verses aloud. Consider pointing out the location of Jerusalem (H5) on the New Testament Israel Map.

SAY Jesus died on the cross for sins but that wasn't the end of the story. He rose again! Jesus first appeared to Mary. Mary was able to see Jesus and touch Him. Jesus is really alive, and He has a real body.

Jesus' resurrection gives us hope. It reminds us that anyone who trusts in Jesus will also be raised to new life. First, we experience new life on earth when God changes our hearts to love Him and want to obey Him. Then, we experience everlasting life, even if we die, because Jesus defeated sin and death. Only through faith in Jesus do we have the promise of eternal life with Him.

2 GROUP DISCUSSION (10 minutes)

Ask the following questions. Lead the group to discuss.

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Discuss how Mary was sad because she thought someone had taken Jesus away. Point out that she didn't understand that Jesus was raised from the dead. Encourage kids to remember that her crying turned to joy when she saw Jesus is alive.

SAY Is death the end for those who trust in Jesus? Why not?

Remind kids that because Jesus was raised from the dead, death has been defeated. Discuss how the same power that raised Jesus from the dead is given to those who trust in Him. Prompt kids to think about Jesus' words to Martha in John 11: "Everyone who lives and believes in me will never die" (John 11:26).

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Answers will vary. Remind kids that everyone needs to hear the good news of Jesus' resurrection. Discuss how sin leads to death. Remind kids that those who do not trust in Jesus will die in their sin and be separated from God forever. Encourage kids to remind others that trusting in Jesus saves us from our sin and gives us eternal life.

Transition from **LOVE** to **LIVE**





JOURNAL PAGE

1. What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?

2. What does this story teach me about myself?

3. Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?

4. Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?

5. How does this story help me to live on mission better?

Unit 27 • Session 3

JESUS WAS RAISED

Matthew 27-28; Mark 15-16; Luke 23-24; John 19-20

HOW IS JESUS THE PERFECT KING?

JESUS PERFECTLY RULES OVER THE UNIVERSE AS THE KING OF KINGS.

On the third day after Jesus' death, Mary Magdalene went to Jesus' tomb. She saw that the large stone at the entrance had been moved away.

Mary ran to Simon Peter and John. "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and I don't know where they have put Him!" she said.

Peter and John ran to the tomb. The cloth that had been around Jesus' head was folded up. John believed that Jesus was alive.

Mary went back to the tomb and cried. When she looked inside, she saw two angels sitting there. They said to her, "Woman, why are you crying?"

"Because they've taken away my Lord," she said. Then Mary turned around. Jesus stood in front of her, but she did not recognize Him.

Jesus said, "Who are you looking for?"

She replied, "Sir, if you have taken Jesus away, tell me where you've put Him and I will go get Him."

Jesus said, "Mary."

Mary realized who He was and said, "Teacher!"

Jesus sent Mary to tell the other disciples that He was going back to the Father. Mary did what Jesus said, and she told the disciples, "I have seen the Lord!"

Some of the guards from Jesus' tomb told the religious leaders everything that had happened. The leaders got together and made a plan. They gave the soldiers money and told them to lie about what they saw.

Christ Connection: Jesus died on the cross for our sins, but He didn't stay dead. God was pleased with Jesus' sacrifice and raised Jesus from the dead on the third day to reign as King over all creation. Jesus provides salvation from sin and the promise of eternal life.

He Is Risen Word Search | Find and circle the words in the word search.

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Word Bank

tomb
Jesus
stone
Mary
Peter

John
cloth
alive
empty
resurrection

Ours in Jesus | Look up and read each Bible verse. Then write one or two words that describe what is now ours through faith in Jesus.

1 John 1:9

Hebrews 10:23

John 3:36

John 14:27

John 15:11