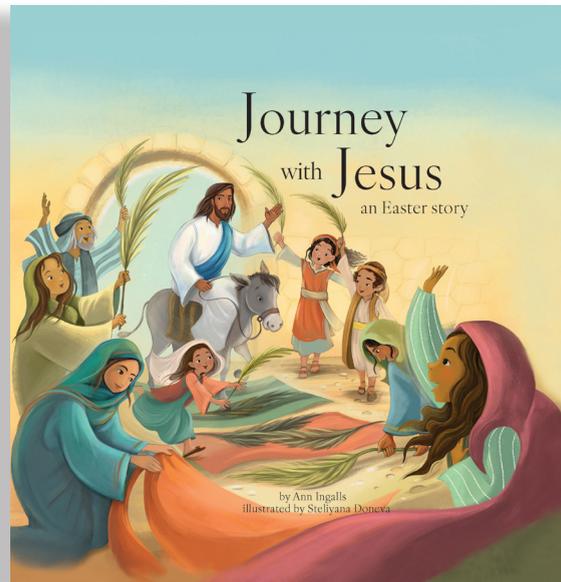


JOURNEY with JESUS, an Easter story!

TEACHER'S GUIDE

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On the Cross

You may want to begin your lesson with this simple fingerplay:

On the cross, on the cross, (Cross index fingers to make a cross.)

Jesus died on the cross.

In the tomb, in the tomb. (Hold one hand in a fist. Cover that with the other hand.)

They laid Jesus in the tomb.

Up in heaven, up into heaven, (Point to the sky with an index finger.)

Jesus rose into heaven.

All for you, all for me, (Point to a friend, point to yourself, and do this again.)

Jesus did it for you and me.



Read and discuss JOURNEY with JESUS an Easter story!

Jesus was kind and good to everyone. What are some ways that this showed that in the book? (Possible answers might include, sharing bread and wine, washing feet.)

Jesus was raised up into Heaven! How did he leave His example with us here on Earth? (Possible answers might include working of the miracles, sharing the beatitudes and what they mean. His reminder that we love one another as He loves us.)

How did Jesus sacrifice his life for others?
(Jesus' sacrifices leading up to His death included carrying the cross, betrayal by Judas, wearing the crown of thorns, to name a few.)

Ask the children what else they noticed about Jesus.



Wonderful Music Videos

Get up on your feet and clap your hands to the beat!

Go Fish, I Believe: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I9YMXpjB25g>

Go Fish, Christ the Lord Is Risen Today: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SVHZYWhO2pA>

Go Fish, It's About the Cross: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s1UI0yOLc-o>.

Sharing Conversation with Students

Invite a guest to your class who can answer questions about Jesus' Easter experience. This may be your pastor. Break bread and sip grape juice while enjoying time together. You might also choose to wash each other's feet. Do invite a few parents to help if you do.

