



## For Preschoolers and Toddlers

**Monthly Image:** Cross

**Early Childhood Essential:** I am a sinner who needs Jesus.

**Memory Verse:** “While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.” – Romans 5:8

**Bible Story Focus:** Jesus’ death on the cross and resurrection

- Matthew 27:31-28:10

### **Lesson Overview:**

In this lesson, kids will hear of Jesus’ death on the cross and resurrection from the dead. They will learn that we are all sinners who need Jesus as a rescuer. Jesus died for those He loves and was raised again so that we too may have life with God. Jesus now sits on a throne in Heaven, as our Forever King. One day we will live with Him in our Forever Home.

### **Pre-Video Discussion:**

What’s your favorite part of Easter?

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### **I Wonder Questions (Post-Video):**

I wonder...

How did Jesus die?

\*Jesus was crucified. He died on the cross.

How many days was it before Jesus rose from the dead?

\*Jesus rose from the dead after three days.

Why did Jesus die?

\*Jesus died so that our sin could be forgiven.

**Early Childhood Family Activity Idea:**

Make an Easter-story egg hunt! As a family, draw pictures of different parts of the Easter story and put them inside eggs. Then hide them for your children to find. As you find the eggs, open them up and see if your children can remember what part of the story the picture represents!

*(Ideas: Palm Branch, Donkey, Crown of Thorns, Cross, Tomb, and an Empty Egg!)*

## For Elementary

### **Lesson Overview:**

This morning elementary kids will join with people all across the world as we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus! They will watch a short teaching video and then watch the bible story video to help them understand the important truths found in the scriptures, specifically in John 19 and 20.

**Teaching Video Link:** <https://vimeo.com/405036245>

**Curriculum Video Link:** The Gospel Project for Kids-Jesus' Crucifixion and Resurrection: <https://youtu.be/2fK3ZS9T3as>

### **Independent Activity for Kids:**

**For Kindergarten-3<sup>rd</sup> graders:** After watching the two videos, help your family celebrate our Risen King by going on an empty egg hunt! Hide one empty plastic egg around the house for your child(ren) to find. One the egg is found discuss the post video discussion question as a family.

Consider listening to these popular Crossing Kids songs during your Empty Egg Hunt:

- Hey Man by Seeds Family Worship: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BtG\\_h3oigl8](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BtG_h3oigl8)
- Tell the World by Hillsong Kids: <https://youtu.be/7NPu-RtDBpl>

**For 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders:** Have them go on a scavenger hunt through the gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John and find where in scripture we learn about Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection. After reading the various accounts in Matthew, Mark, Luke and John have them journal in response to this question: How does my life change if Jesus is my king? As 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>

graders work they can listen to this Spotify playlist:

<https://open.spotify.com/user/thecrossingmusic/playlist/2vGe6Ey7HRwflD4bDHRV6X?si=HOPcj03fSkM7upSVPk2Q>

**Post-Video Discussion:**

- **Why was Jesus arrested?** (The leaders felt threatened by him and they didn't believe he was the son of God.)
- **Did Jesus deserve to be arrested?** (NO – he was the perfect, holy son of God. Innocent in every way.)
- **Why did Jesus die?** (Jesus gave His life for you and for me. He died to rescue us from the power of sin. He died the death that we deserve so that all who believe and trust in Him as their Savior can have everlasting life.)
- **Why do you think it was important for Jesus to rise from the dead?** (To show that sin and death have no power over Him or over those who believe. Just as he rose from the dead, someday we too will rise again if we follow him as Savior and King. We don't have to fear death because Jesus is alive.)