

THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE: If you go to the tombs of Confucius, Buddha, Mohammed, or any other religious leader, you will find a body. It's not so with Jesus. He is risen. Because Jesus died and rose again, He provides victory over death for all who would follow Him. The Holy Spirit empowers Christians to live the life He has given us for God's purpose to advance His kingdom.

PRESCHOOL



MATTHEW 21:1-11; 26:36-28:10

Jesus had been arrested. People who did not accept who He was had put Him on a cross to die. After His death, a man named Joseph placed His body in a tomb for burial. Very early on the third day, Mary Magdalene and another Mary went to the tomb. They were very sad. As they got near the tomb, there was a strong earthquake. An angel rolled the stone from the front of the tomb and sat on the stone. The angel said, "Do not be afraid. I know you are looking for Jesus. He is not here! He is alive. Look and see where He lay. Then go quickly and tell His disciples that He is alive." As the women turned to go, they saw Jesus. The women began to worship Jesus. They were so happy to see Him. Jesus said, "Do not be afraid. Go and tell My disciples to go to Galilee and I will see them there."

LIVE IT OUT: Help your child name as many different ways they can that we can know that Jesus loves us. As a family, write down ways that we can tell and show Jesus that we love Him.

KIDS



MATTHEW 26:36-28:10

After the last supper, some of the disciples went with Jesus to a garden to pray. Soldiers came to the garden and arrested Jesus. They took Jesus to Pilate, the Roman governor. Pilate could not find that Jesus had done anything wrong, but the people wanted Jesus killed. Jesus died on a cross. A rich man asked Pilate to allow him to bury Jesus' body in the man's own tomb. On Sunday morning, two women went to the tomb. An earthquake shook the ground. An angel from God rolled the stone away. The angel looked as bright as lightning and told the two women that Jesus was alive. As the women rushed away, they saw Jesus! Jesus told the women to go tell His disciples where to meet Him. Jesus was alive!

LIVE IT OUT: Share with others that Jesus is alive by designing a car window sign. Use a bumper-sticker-size piece of poster board and brightly colored markers to boldly print "HE IS ALIVE!" and/or "Matthew 28:6." Place the poster in the window of your family vehicle.

STUDENTS



1 CORINTHIANS 15:20-28

THE POINT: Through Jesus you have victory over death.

- Discuss a victory you've experienced with your student.
- In what area of life do you need to experience victory in right now?

Have a conversation around this quote: "There is no victory at bargain basement prices." —Dwight D. Eisenhower

1. "Dwight D. Eisenhower Quotes," Brainy Quote, [Cited 19 July 2013]. Available from the Internet: <http://www.brainyquote.com>.

LIVE IT OUT: Your student has been encouraged to do one or both Live It Out activities in the Personal Study Guide.

*If your student chooses to do **Victorious Names**:*

- Ask your student something he or she learned while reading through the different names of Jesus.
- Read through and discuss some of the names with your student.

*If your student chooses to do **Embrace the Victory**:*

- Encourage your student this week as he or she embraces the victory God has already given.
- Pray for your student to live victoriously.