

Large Group

Jesus Was Raised

Bible Passage: Matthew 27–28; Mark 15–16; Luke 23–24; John 19–20

Memory Verse: Revelation 5:13

Big Picture Question: How is Jesus the perfect King?
Jesus perfectly rules over the universe as the King of kings.



Countdown Video (3 mins)

Worship Song (4 mins)

Worship Leader briefly introduces self, welcomes kids, leads 1st worship song, and prays for the time.

Welcome (1 mins)

Large Group Leader tell kids what to expect to happen (1 minute)

- watch the lesson video
- retell the story.
- read the story from scripture

Watch the Lesson Video (4 mins)

Retell the Story (11 mins)

Lead the kids in a fun retelling of the story

Here are some resources to help you formulate this time.

Review what we learned:

We have been reading from four books—Matthew, Mark, Luke and John—also known as the four Gospels. These books teach us about Jesus’ life, death, and resurrection. We have been learning that while Jesus lived on earth, He taught the Word of God and perfectly obeyed God’s words. Jesus is our perfect Prophet. Then we learned that Jesus came to be our perfect sacrifice for sin and bring us back to God. Jesus is our perfect Priest.

Last week, we learned about the saddest day in history when Jesus was crucified on the cross. But we also learned that this was part of God’s plan to save people from sins. When we trust in Jesus, His blood shed on the cross washes away our sin. Today, we will learn that Jesus is the King who defeated death and lives to reign forever

Today's Lesson

Our story began with Mary Magdalene going to the tomb where Jesus was buried. Jesus had been buried for three days. It was still dark, and she saw that the stone had been moved. How do you think she felt? [Allow responses.] Mary ran to Simon Peter, worried about where Jesus' body was and who took Him.

Which of Jesus' disciples ran to the tomb? [Allow responses.] Peter and John ran to the tomb and found the linen clothes folded inside. John believed that Jesus was alive.

Later, Mary went back to the tomb. Two angels asked her why she was crying. Mary still thought Jesus' body had been taken. Then something wonderful happened! Mary saw a man in front of her. He asked her why she was crying. Who was the man who spoke to Mary? [Allow responses.] Yes, He is Jesus! Mary didn't recognize Him at first but then He said her name. Mary knew it was Jesus. He told her to go and tell the disciples that He was going back to the Father. Mary obeyed and told the disciples she had seen Jesus.

Jesus is alive! God raised Him from the dead and He lives forever. Even when wicked men tried to lie about Jesus' resurrection, it didn't stop it from being true. Jesus later appeared to over five hundred people after He was raised from the dead. Jesus died for our sins but He is more powerful than death. **Jesus perfectly rules over the universe as the King of kings.** He is the King who came to save us and give us eternal life.

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.

Read from the Bible (4 mins)

John 20:1-18, Matthew 28:11-15

Remind Kids of Four Questions (1 min)

- What did you like about today's story?
- What did you find confusing?
- What did you learn about people?
- What did you learn about God?

Memory Verse Song (4 mins)

Worship Leader connects the lesson to the memory verse, leads the memory verse song with hand motions, and closes in prayer.