

D6 EveryDay™ Parent Page

Date | **April 9, 2023** Family Theme | **Resurrection of Christ**
Study Text | **Mark 15:16 – 16:8**

Objective: Family members serve the Lord and look forward to Heaven because Jesus conquered death.

How This Lesson Fits in the Story of the Bible: Mark wrote his account of the life of Christ in the mid-to late-AD 50s based on the eyewitness testimony of Peter. The events of these chapters took place in AD 33.

Bible Basics: Memorize John 11:25 this week along with family members.

Read the Word: Mark 15:16 – 16:8

Disciple Your Kids:

Discuss with your children and grandchildren how Christ suffered to make our salvation possible and how His resurrection assures that we will rise again.



Key Truth: Jesus Was Mocked, Beaten, Crucified, and Buried to Make Our Salvation Possible (Mark 15:16-47)

- After His betrayal and arrest in the garden (Mark 14:43-50), Jesus was taken before the religious and political leaders for questioning (14:51 – 15:15). Pilate had Jesus scourged and given over to the Romans. The Romans mocked and beat Jesus and led Him out to be crucified (verses 16-20).
- At Golgotha, the place of crucifixion, Jesus was nailed to a cross with a criminal on each side, and His clothing was divided among the soldiers, another fulfillment of prophecy (Psalm 22:18). He was mocked again and the inscription *The King of the Jews* was nailed to the cross above His head (verses 22-32).
- Darkness covered the land for three hours. Jesus then asked the Father why He had forsaken Him (Psalm 22:1). Jesus had taken our sin and guilt upon Himself causing the Father to turn away. When Jesus cried out and breathed His last, the thick curtain in the Temple separating the Holy Place and Most Holy Place tore from top to bottom, signifying that the barrier of sin that separated us from God had been removed. We can come into God's presence by the blood of Jesus (verses 33-38). Seeing all this, a Roman centurion declared that Jesus surely was the son of God. Some of the women who followed and served Christ were looking on as these events unfolded (verses 39-41).
- When evening came, Joseph of Arimathea, a member of the Jewish ruling counsel and a follower of Jesus, went to Pilate and asked to take down the dead body of Jesus and bury Him. Being assured of Jesus' death, Pilate granted this request and Joseph wrapped Jesus' body in a linen shroud and laid Him in a tomb. A large stone was rolled against the opening (verses 42-46).



Key Truth: Jesus Was Raised From the Dead to Guarantee Our Salvation (Mark 16:1-8)

- Early in the morning after the Sabbath ended, the women came to the tomb intending to anoint Jesus' body for burial. They found the stone rolled away from the entrance. Upon entering the tomb, they were greeted by a young man who announced that Jesus was not there. He had risen! The angelic messenger instructed them to go tell Jesus' disciples what they had found (verses 1-7). They hesitated (verse 8), but then spread the news (Matthew 28:8). The Lord's resurrection proved He was truly God's Son and that death had been conquered for Jesus and for all who believe in Him.

Discussion Starters

Use one or more of the following questions as discussion starters with family members this week. Questions in **bold** will be good to use with elementary age children.

- In what ways did Christ suffer for us?
- How does it make you feel to know that Christ suffered for you?
- How can we worship and serve Christ because He suffered and died for us?
- **Why is Christ's resurrection so important to the Christian faith?**
- How does Christ's resurrection assure that we will rise from the dead?
- **How do you think the women felt once they realized Jesus was alive?**
- **What excuses or reasons were given for the empty tomb?**

Everyday Extras

Jesus is alive! Continue to share the good news of Easter by giving out egg messages. Recycle the plastic eggs and fill them with discount Easter candy, a message or verse about the Resurrection, confetti, and a sprinkle of glitter. Share them with friends, neighbors, and random strangers this week.

Easter lasts all year long because we serve a *risen* Savior. Encourage your family to make lots of small cards with the words, "Jesus is alive," on them. Decorate them with stickers and other art, then hide them everywhere: in jeans pockets, in winter coat sleeves, in sock drawers, in garden tools, with the canned vegetables, in a stack of wash cloths, in backpacks and lunchboxes, in the box of envelopes or trash bags — anywhere you can think of! As you discover them throughout the coming months, the good news of Easter is still true!

Preschool Highlights for SQUARE 1 & ROUND 2

Today your child learned when Jesus' friends came to take care of His body, the tomb was empty. An angel told them Jesus was not there, that He had risen. The women found Jesus' disciples and told them the news. Many people saw Jesus after His resurrection, including His disciples. **Jesus Loves Me** and every person who has ever been born or will ever be born.