The Resurrection

Card 15





3 Storytelling

Pass out Card 15. Share the story.

- Three days after Jesus died, Jesus' friend, Mary Magdalene, and another woman called Mary went to his tomb. A tomb is a cave that bodies are buried in. Just as they arrived, there was an earthquake, and an angel came to tell them to not be afraid because Jesus was alive!
- Hearing this news was very exciting. They thought Jesus was dead, but now they had hope he was alive!
- On their way to tell Jesus' other followers, they found Jesus. He told them to not be afraid but to go tell the other followers to meet him in an area called Galilee.
- The disciples left for Galilee and saw Jesus. Some worshipped him, but others doubted that he was real.
- Jesus told them, "I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth...

 And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age."
- Jesus died but he came back to life. This gives us a lot of hope because this tells us that Jesus has power over death and everything else in the world.
 This means that Jesus is not only the Son of God, but he is God himself! No one else could have the power to raise himself from the dead except God. Jesus is God!
- We also have hope that we will never be alone because Jesus is alive and tells us he will never leave us! We just have to believe that he really came back to life and is alive today!

Discussion Questions

- What happened when the two women arrived at Jesus' tomb? (Jesus was gone, angel said Jesus was alive)
- 2. What did Jesus tell the disciples? ("I am with you always")
- 3. How does Jesus give us hope? (Jesus has power over everything, we are never really alone)

5 Memory Verse

Romans 10:9

If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

Activity: Rock, Paper, Scissors

Children should find a partner and face each other. After saying, "One, two, three, go," they each use a hand to create the shape of their chosen item, as follows: Rock is represented by a closed fist. Scissors are represented by a closed fist with two fingers (the pointer finger and the middle finger) extended. Paper is represented by an open hand. The winner of Rock, Paper, Scissors is determined as follows: Rock defeats (breaks) Scissors. Scissors defeats (cuts) Paper. Paper defeats (covers) Rock. The losers sit while the winners partner up again and play until there is one winner, or a few winners for a large group.

Teacher Background

Review Card Set Scripture: Matthew 28:1-15, Mark 16:1-8, Luke 24:1-12, and John 20:1-18

Theme: hope

Learning Point

In the game, rock crushes the scissors and wins. When Jesus was buried. there was a rock put in front of his tomb. But Jesus crushed death: the tomb was opened. In today's story, Mary could not believe what she saw: Jesus' tomb was empty, and he had been raised from the dead! This gave Mary and the other followers so much hope. This hope is for you. too. If Jesus can have victory over death, then he has the power to do anything; he is God! If you ever feel hopeless, you can turn to Jesus, and he will help you to have victory in your life. Pray to him and ask him to help you and give you hope.



