

PARENT'S DISCUSSION GUIDE

The Resurrection

John 20-21

- Read the story found in John 20-21 and/or watch the “creative story telling” video using the link provided.
- **Discuss with your kids the following truths:**
 - Jesus came back to life! Death could not hold him, God raised him from the dead conquering sin forever!
 - Mary, the disciples, and many of Jesus’ other followers saw him and believed that he was the Son of God. They now understood the truth he was trying to teach them throughout his life. The resurrection changed the way they saw Jesus, forever.
 - Jesus spoke to his followers after his resurrection. He told them that God the Father had sent him (Jesus) into the world and now he was sending his disciples into the world. They were to take truth and love to people the same way Jesus had brought it to them.
- **Questions:**
 - What was Mary doing at the tomb? What do her actions that Sunday morning tell us about the way she felt toward Jesus? How does her sacrifice of time and resources encourage us to sacrifice for Jesus?
 - How did Jesus come back from the dead? What difference did his death and resurrection make?
 - Do you believe this story about Jesus? John said that all these things were written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. And that by believing in him you may have life (John 20:31).
- **Activity:**
 - Replay the video and sing along with Sarah
 - For Older kids –
 - Act out the story with your family members, use the Bible verses as your script using a narrator or speaking the parts.
 - If you believe the resurrection story about Jesus is true, how can you share this truth with someone else? Think of at least one person you can call and talk with about the good news of Jesus coming back from the dead.
 - For Younger kids –
 - Print off the attached coloring sheet and/or draw a picture of something from the story.
 - Talk with your parents about the true meaning of Easter