

Story 7 : The Resurrection

Main Bible verse
[John 11:25-26]

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Anyone who believes in me will live, even if they die. And whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?"



When Jesus died on the cross, His disciples and those who had followed Him were deeply saddened. Meanwhile, the high priests of Rome and the leaders of the temple remembered what Jesus had said about rising from death in three days, so they ordered the soldiers to close up the tomb in which Jesus was buried with a large stone and to keep watch day and night. Early in the morning on the third day after Jesus' death, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James and Salome brought spices so that they might go to anoint Jesus' body. They made their way to Jesus' tomb, but when they arrived they saw that the stone had been rolled away and that the tomb was empty.

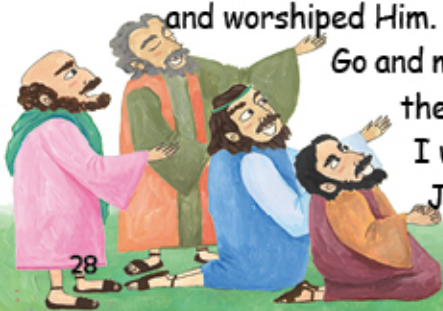
Jesus' body was nowhere to be found. But a young man (an angel) dressed in a white robe was sitting where Jesus' body had lain. The angel said this: "Do not be alarmed. You are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He has risen!" The women hurried from the tomb to share the good news. But as they were running, they met someone. It was Jesus who had risen! The women bowed at Jesus' feet and greeted Him. That evening, the disciples gathered in a loft in Jerusalem. They locked the doors tight because they feared the Roman soldiers would come to arrest them. Right then, Jesus appeared before the disciples. They were startled and frightened, thinking they saw a ghost. Jesus spoke to them.

"Why are you troubled and why do doubts rise in your minds about my resurrection? Look at my hands and feet. Touch me and see." Finally the disciples believed that Jesus had risen from the dead. And they knelt before Him and worshiped Him. Jesus spoke to His disciples. "Go and preach this good news to everyone.

Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.

I will be with you always to the very end of the age."

Jesus promised that He would return on a cloud from heaven to judge the world.



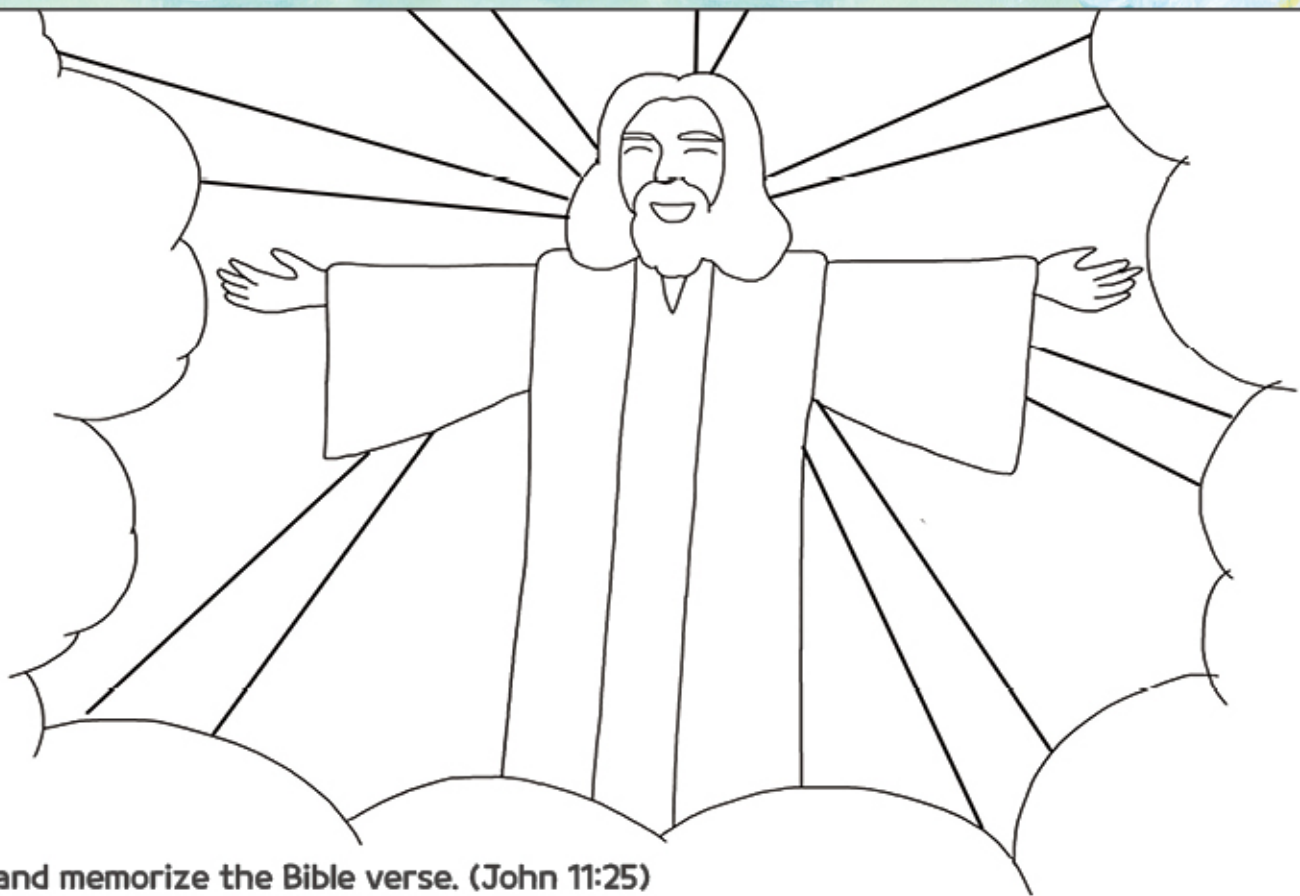
Activity 1.

Think of Jesus, who completed salvation through resurrection. Then, cut out the puzzle pieces next to it and glue them to their corresponding places to complete the picture.



Activity 2.

Think about what we learned today and color the picture below.



- Trace and memorize the Bible verse. (John 11:25)

I am the resurrection and the life.