

# TOPHER'S WEEKLY LESSON

Jesus told everyone that He's the Son of God. It's true, He really is the Son of God, but His enemies didn't believe Him. They wanted to stop Him from saying that, so they put Him on a cross. First they attached one hand to the cross. Then they attached the other hand to the cross. Then they attached His feet to the cross. Jesus stayed on the cross for six hours and then He died. It was a very, very sad day. But the story doesn't stay sad.

A tomb is like a small cave where dead people are buried. After Jesus died, one of His friends took Him off of the cross and put His body in a tomb. Then He rolled a big stone in front of the opening of the tomb. After the stone was in place, some guards stood by the tomb so that nobody could get in.

3 days later, two women named Mary went to visit the tomb. When they got there, there was a powerful earthquake.

An angel of God came down from heaven and rolled back the big stone. The guards were so afraid they began to shake. Then the guards fainted to the ground like dead men. But the angel told the women, "Don't be afraid. I know you're looking for Jesus. But He is not here! He has risen, just as he said he would!"

The women were so happy! They ran to tell the disciples the good news. Suddenly, as the women were running, Jesus appeared to them and said "Greetings!" The women knew it was true—Jesus is alive and He really is the Son of God. So they kneeled at His feet and worshipped Him. It was the happiest day ever!

**THE BIG IDEA:** I CAN TELL EVERYONE THAT JESUS IS ALIVE!  
**BIBLE BASIS:** MATTHEW 27:32—28:10

## ACTIVITY: APRIL 12, 2020

**Jesus Is Alive** (Response to God Activity)

**Supplies:** GO! Home Guide and crayons

**Directions:** Give each child a GO! Home Guide and some crayons or markers. The sheet will have a space for children to draw. Tell the children to draw a picture of a sad face. While they're drawing, ask the children to talk about what makes them sad.

**Question:** If you could tell your friend about Jesus, what would you say?

**Question:** Jesus is alive! Why do you think that is such good news?

**Say:** Today we learned that we can tell everyone that Jesus is alive. Let's say a prayer and ask Jesus to help us tell our friends about Him.

**Prayer:** Begin by asking if any of the children would like to pray. Allow any children who want to pray the opportunity to do so. When they're finished, close the prayer by asking Jesus to help each of the children tell their friends and family that He is alive.

