

Group Time Guide

Supplies Needed: Easter Eggs with different items inside.

1. Introductions

Circle Up: Have Kid-Os sit down in a circle as quickly as they can and give you a "thumbs up" when they are ready to listen.

2. Discussion Questions

• What exciting thing did Mary Magdalene discover at the end of our Bible Adventure? (Jesus was alive!)

Repeatable Phrases: "I can follow Jesus!" "Jesus loves me!"

3. Hands-On Option

Do This: Pass Easter eggs around the circle one at a time in the order below. Let kids shake the egg and try to guess what's inside. Then open the egg after it's been around the circle, show the kids what's inside, talk about how it relates to the Easter story.

- 1. Orange God created our beautiful world. The animals, trees, plants, sun, etc.
- 2. <u>Purple</u> –Jesus died on the cross to take the punishment for the wrong things all of us have done.
- 3. <u>Green</u> A large stone was put in front of Jesus' tomb.
- 4. <u>Blue</u> When Mary came, the tomb was empty because Jesus was alive!
- 5. <u>Pink</u> Confetti reminds us to celebrate because Jesus is alive!

The Point: We celebrate Easter because Jesus is alive! He loves you so much and wants to be your friend forever.

4. Easter Egg Hunt

Say This: I need your help, Kid-Os! There are some Easter eggs hidden all around this room! Can you help me find all the eggs and put them in this basket?

Do This: Let Kid-Os search for the eggs around the room. Hold a basket so they can put in the eggs as they find them. Tell Kid-Os they will each get to take one egg filled with candy when they leave with their grown-up.

Know This: The eggs hidden around the room should be empty, and you should have a different basket of eggs with candy in them to give away as kids leave with their grown-ups.