

Parent Notes

In this week's lesson your child learned

- On the Sunday after he died, Jesus was alive again. Death could not hold him!
- Jesus came back and visited with his friends.

It Helps to Know

Scripture tells us that

- on the Sunday after he died, when Jesus' friends went to his tomb, they saw an angel, who told them, "He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said" (Matthew 28:6). Over the next several days, Jesus appeared, in bodily form to many of his followers.

The *Catechism* teaches us that

- "the Father's power 'raised up' Christ his Son and by doing so perfectly introduced his Son's humanity, including his body, into the Trinity. Jesus is conclusively revealed as 'Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness by his Resurrection from the dead'" (CCC, 648).
- finally, Christ's Resurrection—and the Risen Christ himself—is the source of our future resurrection (CCC, 655).

How Five- and Six-Year-Olds Understand the Lesson, by Joseph White, Ph.D.

Because of their limited understanding of death, children also struggle with the idea of resurrection. They may wonder why a favorite pet or an elderly grandparent cannot "come back to life." However, it is important for them to know that Jesus is alive, and that Jesus' life gives us hope that even though we all die, someday we will live forever with God in Heaven.

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Keep It Simple

- Decorate the family table or home altar with flowers, such as lilies, that are signs of new life.
- Take a walk as a family and discuss the growth of things in nature (the green trees, flowers, etc.), and how these are reminders that God brings new life.

Jesus Is Alive!

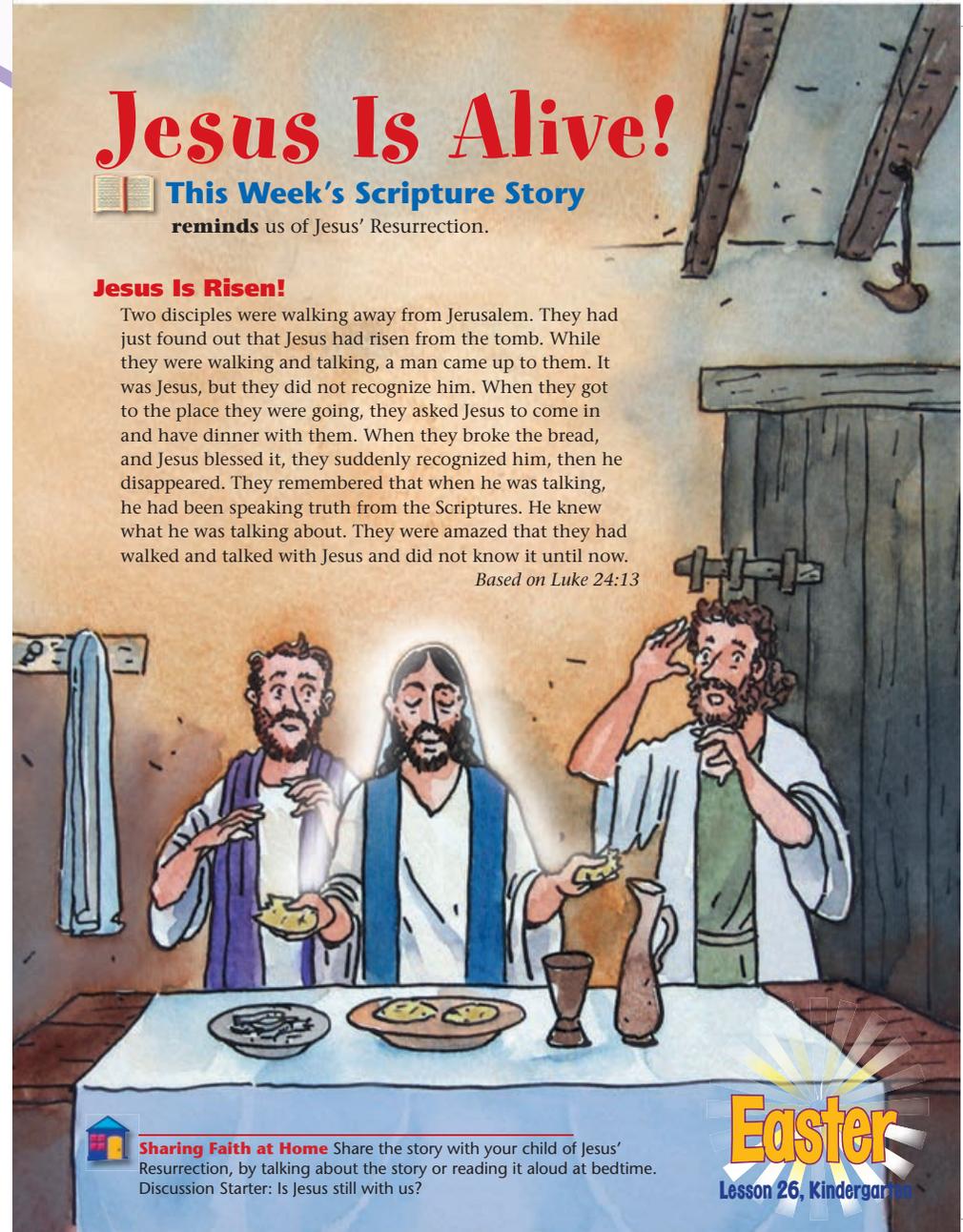
This Week's Scripture Story

reminds us of Jesus' Resurrection.

Jesus Is Risen!

Two disciples were walking away from Jerusalem. They had just found out that Jesus had risen from the tomb. While they were walking and talking, a man came up to them. It was Jesus, but they did not recognize him. When they got to the place they were going, they asked Jesus to come in and have dinner with them. When they broke the bread, and Jesus blessed it, they suddenly recognized him, then he disappeared. They remembered that when he was talking, he had been speaking truth from the Scriptures. He knew what he was talking about. They were amazed that they had walked and talked with Jesus and did not know it until now.

Based on Luke 24:13



Sharing Faith at Home Share the story with your child of Jesus' Resurrection, by talking about the story or reading it aloud at bedtime. Discussion Starter: Is Jesus still with us?

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Through the Week

In your family prayers, at meals, bedtime, and other times, remember to thank God that Jesus is alive.



Ask Me!

Ask your child these questions, and see if he or she can give you the answers. (If not, give a hint, and review the questions again later.)

1. What happened on the Sunday after Jesus died? (He was alive again.)
2. Who saw Jesus after he came back to life? (his disciples, Mary Magdalene, other friends)



Setting the Family Table

Jesus Is Risen! Alleluia!

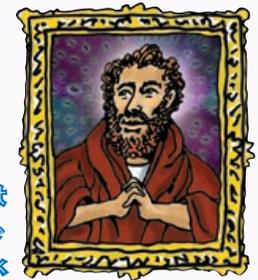
Connect the dots from 1 to 11.
Then **color** the picture.



Mealtime Prayer

Jesus is risen! Alleluia!
 All you hills and mountains,
 rejoice!
 All you tiny blades of grass and
 tall trees, rejoice!
 All you angels and saints,
 rejoice!
 Alleluia!

Pray this prayer as a family.



Saint of the Week

Peter (first century)

Feast Day: June 29

Did you know?

We know a great deal about Saint Peter, as he is mentioned one hundred ninety-five times in the New Testament! He was lovable, energetic, impulsive, weak at times and strong at other times. Most importantly, we know he was a tremendous leader who loved Jesus with his heart, soul, and mind.

Saint Peter, pray for us!