

# Jesus Is Alive

Bible Story based on Luke 23:46—  
24:12; 1 Corinthians 15:4-5

Easter

# Storytime

A Take-Home Paper  
for Early Elementary



**S**ome people didn't believe Jesus was God's Son. They put Jesus on a cross, and He died.

Joseph was Jesus' friend. He took Jesus' body down and put it in a tomb. Then he rolled a stone in front of it.

Early on Sunday some women went to visit the tomb. But something was different. The stone

was rolled away, and Jesus' body was gone.

Suddenly, two angels were there. They said, "Why are you looking for Jesus here? Jesus came alive again, just as He said He would."

The women ran and told Jesus' disciples what they saw and heard. Later, when the disciples saw Jesus, they believed that Jesus is alive!

# Cookie Surprises

Isaac was excited! Nana was coming. Isaac loved her visits. Isaac and Nana were going to make special cookies that told a story. When Nana came, Isaac asked if they could make the cookies right away. "Let's wait till after dinner," Nana said. Isaac ate quickly. But he had to wait until Dad, Caleb, and Nana finished eating. Then they had to clean up the dishes.



Nana and Isaac got a bowl, a spoon, the mixer, and all the ingredients to put in the cookies. Nana let Isaac break the nuts with a spoon. As he worked, Nana told him a Bible story about someone who was beaten.

Isaac smelled the vinegar. Yuck! Isaac was glad he did not have to drink vinegar like Jesus did. They added the eggs, salt, and sugar in the bowl. Each ingredient they put in the cookies told part of the story.

Nana helped Isaac use the mixer. Then he scooped the dough onto the cookie sheet. They looked like little tombs. But the story the cookies told was not over yet!





Nana put the cookies in the oven.  
Then came Isaac's favorite part!  
He sealed the oven door with tape.

"Time for bed!" Nana said. Isaac brushed his teeth, put on his pajamas, and crawled under the covers.



In the morning, Isaac ran to the oven and Nana pulled out the cookies. He took a big bite. Wait! The insides of the cookies were empty, just like Jesus' tomb. Nana helped Isaac put some cookies in a box to take to his friends at Sunday school. Isaac was excited to celebrate with his friends that Jesus died and is alive again.



## Talk Time

### LESSON FOCUS:

*We can believe  
that Jesus is alive!*

Talk together about what the women found when they went to visit Jesus' tomb in the Bible story. Nana and Isaac found a fun way to remember the story of Jesus' resurrection by making cookies in "Cookie Surprises." Plan together a couple of ways you can celebrate that Jesus is alive this week. Then thank God that Jesus died and is alive again!

# Resurrection Cookies

Make resurrection cookies like Isaac made with Nana to let your child experience a hands-on retelling of the resurrection story. The Bible verses listed at each step can be read to further explain how each ingredient relates to the Resurrection.

## You Will Need:

- 1 cup whole pecans
- 1 teaspoon vinegar
- 3 egg whites
- A pinch of salt
- 1 cup sugar
- A zip-top bag
- Wooden spoon
- Electric mixer & bowl
- Wax paper
- Cookie sheet
- Clear tape



## To Make the Cookies:

1. Preheat oven to 300°F.
2. Put the pecans in a zip-top bag and let your child break them up with a wooden spoon.
3. Let each family member smell the vinegar. Then put 1 teaspoon of vinegar into the bowl.
4. Add the egg whites.
5. Add a pinch of salt.
6. Pour the sugar into the bowl.
7. Beat the ingredients with a mixer on high speed for 12-15 minutes until stiff peaks form. (If you let your child use the mixer, supervise this carefully.)
8. Fold in the nuts.
9. Put spoonfuls onto a lined cookie sheet.
10. Put the cookie sheet in the oven, close the door, and turn the oven off.
11. Give each family member a strip of tape to seal the oven door shut.
12. Leave the cookies in the oven overnight.
13. In the morning, open the oven and pull out the cookies. The cookies are hollow.

**Pecans** - Soldiers beat Jesus. John 19:1-3

**Vinegar** - When Jesus was on the cross, they gave Him vinegar to drink. John 19:28-30

**Egg Whites** - These represent life. Jesus gave His life to give us life. John 10:10-11

**Salt** - Let each family member taste a little salt. The salt symbolizes the tears Jesus' friends cried. Luke 23:27

**Sugar** - The sweetest part of the story is that Jesus died because He loves us. Psalm 34:8; John 3:16

**Stiff peaks** - The mixture is now a light color. The light color represents that we can be made clean from our sins because of Jesus. Isaiah 1:18; John 3:1-3

**Mounds of dough** - Each mound reminds us of the tomb where Jesus' body was laid. Matthew 27:57-60

**Sealed oven** - Your oven is sealed just as Jesus' tomb was sealed. Matthew 27:65-66

**Overnight** - Your family might be sad to leave the cookies overnight, just as Jesus' friends were sad when they placed Him in the tomb. John 16:20, 22

**Hollow Cookies** - When the women went to Jesus' tomb, it was empty! Matthew 28:1-9



**Memory Verse**

Jesus Christ is the  
same yesterday and  
today and forever.  
Hebrews 13:8