

Kindergarten: Lesson 9: Jesus is Alive

Lesson Objective:

These Bible stories help the children to understand that Jesus gave His whole life for them and that He is alive in heaven now. Again, it is important for children to understand that the Jesus they encounter in prayer is the same Jesus who rose from the dead in these stories.

Learning Outcomes:

- Students will listen to narratives from the Bible with reverence: Easter stories (Matt 28:1-8; Mark 16:1-13; Luke 24:1-12; John 20:1-31).

Materials Needed:

- Prayer space items, Bible, pencils, crayons, one set of color print-outs from the Easter video attached at the end of this lesson plan
- Copies Needed: Holy Week coloring sheet.

As Students Enter Class:

- While students wait for everyone to arrive, have a coloring sheet or blank paper for students to draw.
- One idea is to ask students to draw Jesus's birth, since we are in the Christmas season. Then save this paper and on the back side, students can draw another scene from Jesus' life, after the lesson is presented.

Beginning of Class:

- Invite students to the prayer space and recite the Our Father together. Remember to use the echo-prayer strategy if your students do not have this prayer (or any prayer) memorized.

Lesson 9 Order	Implementation Ideas
Lesson 9 Pt. 1 Video	<p>This video is 1:21 in length.</p> <p>Highlights: In our last lesson we learned about the Angel Gabriel visiting Mary and telling her she will be Jesus’ mother. Mary said yes to God. Then we learned about the Nativity Story, the birth of Jesus. Angels were present when Jesus was born in a manger.</p> <p>Reading stories from the Bible helps us to understand how Jesus gave his whole life for us. The same Jesus that was born to Mary in a manger, is alive in Heaven today. He wants to come into your heart and be your friend. He needs you to be His disciple, and share the stories from the Bible.</p>
The Salvation History Song	<p>This Christine in Action video is 2:26 in length. Christine sings about the history of salvation, beginning with Adam and Eve’s fall from grace, how God gave them hope of salvation through redemption. Then it moves through Abraham, the Father of the Israelites, the 12 tribes of Israel, and Moses and the 10 Commandments.</p>
<p>The Paschal Mystery Video</p> <p>Engagement activity for retelling</p> 	<p>This video is 5:22 in length.</p> <p>It is animated and appropriately retells the story of Jesus’ death on the cross, also known as the Easter Story.</p> <p>To help students with retelling this story, print out pictures from the video located at the end of this lesson plan. Pass them out to the children at random and then work all together to retell the main parts of this video.</p> <p>Then, have students draw one event from the video on the back of their sheet from the beginning of class. Have them share their picture and explain what it shows.</p>
Lesson 9, Part 2	This video is 3:08 in length.

<p>Note: Good visuals accompany the video that will aid in students understanding of these concepts.</p>	<p>Highlights: Carla explains that Jesus took away the sins of the world by dying on the cross. But, unlike anyone else who has passed away, Jesus rose from the dead. This is called the Resurrection, Easter Sunday.</p> <p>Carla explains more about the occurrences of Easter.</p> <p>Mark 16:1-8: Carla reads how the women went to the tomb, and they brought items that would freshen up the body of Jesus. But a person dressed in white was there and told them Jesus was raised. He was not in the tomb. They saw the stone that covered the tomb was rolled away.</p> <p>Discussion: What was it like that day to be the first people to hear the good news?</p> <p>How did the ladies feel? Who was the person dressed in white?</p>
<p>Intro to the last video and Art Response</p>	<p>This video is 1:15 in length.</p> <p>At Mass we offer God praise as a community of believers. WE do this through song. Each week we hear songs called the Mass settings. Listen to the Gloria and the music around the preparation of the gifts. Have you sung these songs when you go to Mass? Give me a thumbs up if you recognize the songs when we play the video.</p>
<p>Art Response</p>	<p>This last activity is a coloring activity about Holy Week. Review the events with your students and help them write the events on their paper before coloring.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Palm Sunday – Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a Donkey 2. Last Supper – On Holy Thursday, Jesus shared a special meal with the 12 Apostles. This is where our Catholic Mass originates from.

	<p>3. Crucifixion - Jesus is crucified on the Cross to open the gates of heaven for all of us.</p> <p>4. Resurrection - Jesus is raised from the dead.</p>
Closing Prayer	Ask students to share one new thing they learned today. Then model a short prayer of thanksgiving: Thank you God for giving us Jesus.

Use these pictures to help your students retell the Easter Story.













