



Small Group Leader Guide

Easter • Week 1 • Easter

Play • 15 minutes

Greet parents & kids • Play with kids

Clean Up Transition • 30 seconds

Focus kids on emcee leading transition

Clean Up • 2 minutes

Tidy the room • Form your small group

Welcome Transition • 30 seconds

Focus kids on emcee leading transition

Welcome • 3 minutes

Help kids in your small group feel seen and heard

1. **Introduce** yourself.
2. **Welcome** kids by name.
3. **Ask** kids what happened during their week and let them share their answers.
4. **Ask** about prayer requests and events kids told you about before.
5. **Talk about** the welcome questions:
 - What do you like best about Easter?
 - What's the best thing you can put inside a toy egg?

Every Day Song Transition • 30 seconds

Focus kids on emcee leading transition

Focus of the week:

Every day, I am who Jesus says I am.

Every Day Song • 3 minutes

Dance • Sing • Encourage kids to do the same thing

Game Transition • 30 Seconds

Focus kids on emcee leading transition

Game • 5 minutes

Have fun with your small group

You'll Need

Per Group	Nothing
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To Do

Say: Let's play a game! Who wants to be the bunny?

1. **Pick** one kid who volunteers to be the "bunny."
2. The "bunny" **covers their eyes** while you **pick** another kid to be the egg. *The other kids can watch.*
3. The "bunny" **opens their eyes**, and **everyone asks**, "Bunny, bunny, where's your egg?"
4. The "bunny" **asks one kid**, "Are you my egg?"
5. If the kid **is** the egg, **they say**, "Yes!" and everyone **pretends to be a bunny** to celebrate.
6. If the kid **isn't** the egg, **they say**, "No," and the "bunny" **keeps guessing** until they guess correctly.
7. **If time allows, repeat steps 1-6** with different kids.

Movie & Music Transition • 30 seconds

Focus kids on emcee leading transition

Movie & Music • 20-25 minutes

Focus kids on video • Lead Bible break in small group

1. For worship, **stand** your small group up. **Model** and **encourage** participation.

Songs	Jesus Is Alive Right Now	That's Why
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2. **Seat** your small group when worship is over.
3. **Choose** questions to talk about with your small group during the **3-minute Bible break**:
 - **What's one thing you remember from the Bible story?** *Answers will vary.*
 - **Who is Jesus?** *Son of God, our Savior, etc.*
 - **What happened to Jesus?** *He was hurt and died on a cross; people yelled at Him; He is alive again*
 - **What did the angel say?** *Don't be afraid. He is not here. He is risen.*
4. **Chant**, "Play it again!" with emcee.
5. **Watch** the rest of the video together.

Bible Verse Transition • 30 seconds

Focus kids on emcee leading transition

Bible Verse • 90 seconds

Help small group do verse and motions with emcee

Small Talk • 5-10 minutes

Review • Talk • Pray

Review the Bible verse and talk about it.

Learn motions: www.leaders.life.church/crosstown

1. **Show the verse on the back of this guide to your group and say it together with motions.**
2. **Jesus is alive again! When we follow Him, He shares a special gift with us. What is it?** *The power of the Holy Spirit*

Review the point and talk about it.

Say: The point today is: **Every day, I am who Jesus says I am.** Let's say it and talk about it!

1. **Recite** the point together.
2. **When you choose to follow Jesus, He says you are powerful. Where does that power come from?** *The Holy Spirit*

Ask open questions and let kids talk.

1. **What do you think Easter is about?** *Answers will vary. After kids talk, share: Easter is about Jesus.*
2. **What did Jesus do to save us?** *Ideas: die and come back to life; forgive us; make us God's friends; give us the power of the Holy Spirit; show how to live for God, etc.*
3. **When do you get the power of the Holy Spirit?** *When you believe in, trust, and follow Jesus*
4. **What do you think the Holy Spirit gives us the power to do?** *Answers will vary. Ideas: live for God; choose God's way; share God's love; pray big prayers; say no to wrong choices; have peace, joy, kindness, patience, self-control, etc.*

Pray together.

Say: Praying is talking with God. What would you like to talk with God about?

1. **Listen** to what kids say and **pray** together.
2. **Not sure what to pray? Pray this:** *God, Thank You for giving us the power to live for You when we choose to follow Jesus. In Jesus' name, amen.*
3. **If time allows, follow up** on old prayer requests.

Check Out • Runs until kids leave

1. **Stay in small groups** until kids are checked out.
2. **Play** the game again.
3. **Compliment** kids when they leave and tell them you're looking forward to seeing them next week.

