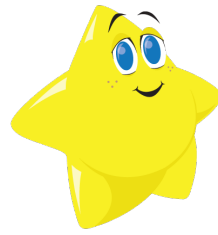


Small Group Leader Guide



Week 3

Age 4

A Happy Sunday:
The Empty Tomb

Question

How can I be God's friend?

Answer

Jesus makes me God's friend
because I believe He lives again!

Bible Verse

Romans 10:9 NLT ... *believe in your heart
that God raised him from the dead ...*

What To Do First

Review

1. **Introduce** yourself.
2. **Say** the **Question**, **Answer**, and **Verse** together.

Read

1. **Lay** Story Cards in order.
2. **Point** to the first card.
3. **Read** the caption.
4. **Ask** the **Question**. *Kids answer.*
5. **Do Action** together.
6. **Repeat** steps 2-5 for Story Cards 2-5.

Remember Now What?

1. **Show** Story Card 1.
2. **Read** the caption.
3. **Ask**, "Now what's going to happen in the next picture?" *Kids answer.*
4. **Repeat** steps 1-3 for Story Cards 2-5.

Review Questions & Actions

Story Card 1

Question

Did Jesus still love the people who lied about Him? Yes

Action

They lied about Jesus.
Tell them, "No!"

Story Card 2

Question

Who put a thorny crown on Jesus and nailed Him to the cross. *The soldiers*

Action

They put nails in Jesus' hands and feet. Touch your hands and feet.

Story Card 3

Question

Where did Joseph put Jesus' body? *In a tomb*

Action

It was sad when Jesus died. Make a sad face.

Story Card 4

Question

Who looked in the tomb? *The women*

Action

Jesus is alive! Clap and cheer to celebrate!

Story Card 5

Question

What did Jesus do to forgive us? *He died for our sin and lives again.*

Action

Jesus forgives us.
Tell Jesus, "Thank You."

How To Wrap Up

Talk

Jesus ate some fish!
What do you like to eat?

Pray

Ask kids what they want to talk to God about, and pray with them.

Check Out Time

Begin When Parents Arrive

1. **Combine** your Small Groups if you need to free up a leader.
2. One leader **stands** at the door to **greet** parents and **run** check out.
3. When a kid leaves, **tell** the parents something positive about their kid.
4. **Keep kids busy in small groups:**
 - Repeat Story Card activities.
 - Let kids share what's on their minds.
 - Pray together to build closer relationships.



**Romans
10:9 NLT**



**... believe in
your heart**



that God



**raised Him
from the dead, ...**