



WEEK 4

JOHN 19-20
Crucifixion &
Resurrection

BOTTOM LINE

**Our Hope is in
Jesus because
He is Alive!**

READ THIS

It is important that we believe Jesus is alive. The Bible tells us that Jesus died to pay the price for our sins. But that's not the whole story. Because Jesus is God, and has the power of God, 3 days after He died on the cross, Jesus came back to life! It is because of God's power and victory over sin and death that we have the hope of a relationship with God and eternal life in Heaven. This week, let's "Go Deeper" and learn about how **Our Hope is in Jesus Because He is Alive!**

MEMORIZE THIS

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope."
Romans 15:13 (ESV)

IN ACTION

Share the love! This week, make an effort to show kindness and love, whether through a smile, note, or just being present. Listen to people and make eye contact. How will you carry on God's love this week?

CHECK OUT OUR COMPANION VIDEOS ON OUR YOUTUBE CHANNEL:
[youtube.com/blueridgecommunitychurch](https://www.youtube.com/blueridgecommunitychurch)

Materials Needed:
Bible or Bible App, Plastic
Spoon, Plastic Egg

GO DEEPER

MORNING MOMENTS

Read: 1 Corinthians 15:12-14, 20-21, Romans 6:9

Discuss:

- How did Jesus show that He is God?
- Why is it important to believe that Jesus came back to life?

Remember This: Our hope is in Jesus because He is alive!

CREATIVE CONNECTION

Create a simple obstacle course, either indoors or outdoors. Place an egg on a spoon and give it to your child. Then time each child as they try to complete the course the fastest without dropping their egg. If the egg falls off the spoon, they must start the course again. The family member who has the fastest time is the winner. After the game, remind your child that the empty eggs are like Jesus' empty tomb, and because of His resurrection, we have the Good News of Jesus to put our hope in!

TABLE TALK

- Share a time in your life when something seemed really bad, but ended up to be good.
- How might the world be different if we were still waiting for a Savior?

HUMBLE HEARTS

Take **P.A.R.T.** of your day to pray:

Praise God because He is love

Ask God to continue to grow your faith in Him

Repent, or tell God you're sorry, for when you struggle to believe in Him

Thank God that Jesus is our Hope

Materials Needed:
Bible or Bible App, Plastic Eggs,
Candy, Paper Slips

GO DEEPER



MORNING MOMENTS

Read: John 20:11-18

Discuss:

- Why was Mary sad?
- Mary went to the tomb sad and returned with faith. How did that happen?
- What did Mary do after she saw Jesus?

Remember This: We can share that Jesus is alive!



CREATIVE CONNECTION

Make celebration eggs to spread the news of Jesus' resurrection to a few people in your neighborhood. Take the eggs and put a paper strip that says, "Jesus is Alive!" and a few pieces of candy into each. When the eggs have been filled, go on a walk through your neighborhood and leave an egg on the porch for your neighbors to find. As you leave the egg, pray that God uses your message to share that Jesus is alive and to encourage your neighbor.



TABLE TALK

- What questions would you have asked Jesus if you had seen Him there outside the empty tomb?
- What are some ways you could be, sharing with others that Jesus is alive?



HUMBLE HEARTS

Take **P.A.R.T.** of your day to pray:

Praise God because He is all-powerful

Ask God to use His message to encourage your neighbors

Repent, or tell God you're sorry, for when you don't share His good news with others

Thank God that Jesus is alive

Materials Needed:
Bible or Bible App, Paper,
Markers or Crayons

GO DEEPER



MORNING MOMENTS

Read: Luke 24:13-33

Discuss:

- What were the two followers of Jesus talking about?
- Why did Jesus say they were foolish?
- Are there parts of the Bible that are hard for you to believe?

Remember This: We can believe God's Word is truth



CREATIVE CONNECTION

Get a piece of paper for each person, and some markers or crayons. Encourage your child to write the word TRUTH somewhere on the paper, and then write or draw something to help them remember this attribute of God. They could write the definition for TRUTH, or the memory verse, or they could illustrate a story from the Bible. When finished, allow time for everyone to share what they have drawn or written.



TABLE TALK

- What does it take for you to believe something is true?
- Believing God's Word is true takes faith. What does it mean to have faith?



HUMBLE HEARTS

Take **P.A.R.T.** of your day to pray:

Praise God because He is truth

Ask God to help you believe, even when it's hard

Repent, or tell God you're sorry, when you don't have faith

Thank God for giving us the Bible

Materials Needed:
Bible or Bible App

GO DEEPER



MORNING MOMENTS

Read: Luke 24:36-49

Discuss:

- Why were the disciples in a locked room?
- How did Jesus prove He is alive to them?
- What did Jesus tell them to wait for?

Remember This: We can wait on Jesus for help



CREATIVE CONNECTION

Play a game of "Red Light, Green Light." Occasionally in the game, pause so your child really has to wait. After the game, talk about how sometimes it is God's plan for us to wait on Him. His plan is always best, but it is not always easy to wait. If you were one of the disciples waiting in that room, how would you feel?



TABLE TALK

- What is something you have really wanted that has been very hard to wait for?
- Jesus told the disciples to wait for the Holy Spirit to come. How does the Holy Spirit help us? (John 14:26)



HUMBLE HEARTS

Take **P.A.R.T.** of your day to pray:
Praise God because He is our help
Ask God to help you wait on His timing for things you need
Repent, or tell God you're sorry, when you have not been patient
Thank God for His promise to send the Holy Spirit to those who follow Him

Materials Needed:
Bible or Bible App, Bible Facts,
"I Don't Believe It" Sign

GO DEEPER



MORNING MOMENTS

Read: John 20:24-31

Discuss:

- Why didn't Thomas believe the disciples when they said Jesus was alive?
- What made Thomas believe that Jesus is Lord?
- How did Thomas react when he realized that Jesus is Lord?
- What things do you have a hard time believing without seeing?

Remember This: Faith is believing in what you cannot see



CREATIVE CONNECTION

Create an "I Don't Believe It" sign for each person playing. Look up and read aloud one item from the list of unusual facts about the Bible. Be sure to read the facts so the answers will sometimes be true, and sometimes be false. Anyone who doubts the statement is true should hold up their "I Don't Believe It" sign showing. Anyone who believes the statement is true does nothing. Each time a player has the correct answer, award them a point. At the end of the game, the player with the most points wins the game.



TABLE TALK

Read: Hebrews 11:1

- What are some things in this world we cannot see but we know they are there?
- How do we know they are there?
- What can we do when we feel doubt about God?



HUMBLE HEARTS

Take **P.A.R.T.** of your day to pray:
Praise God because He is trustworthy
Ask God to help you believe, even in what you cannot see
Repent, or tell God you're sorry, for times when you doubt
Thank God for all He has done for you