

Alive

Jesus and Thomas | John 20:19-31

Big Idea

Jesus is alive.

Music

Jesus is Alive – The Meeting House Kids

Key Verse

Jesus said, “I died, but look – I am alive forever and ever!” Revelation 1:18

Start: I Believe!

Prep: none

- Invite your child to join you in a game.
- Let them know that in the story they will hear today from the Bible, Jesus’ friend Thomas learned that Jesus is alive and after he saw and touched Jesus, he said, “I believe!”
- Tell your child that after each action you are both going to shout “I believe! Jesus is alive!” (Or just “I believe!” or “Jesus!” if you have a little one.)
- Do some of the following actions and have your child copy you. After doing the action, be sure to shout the message:
Hop with two feet, jump like a frog, tap your head, touch your toes, stretch up to the sky, wiggle your fingers, flap your arms
- Ask your child: did Jesus stay dead? (NO! Jesus is alive!)

Watch:

Watch this week’s video

Prayer:

To make prayer time special this month, consider making a special prayer space that includes a rock, a cross, a cloth, and other tactile elements to hold and look at while you pray: “Dear God, thank you that Jesus came to show us your amazing love for us. Thank you that Jesus defeated death! We love you! Amen.”

Craft: Jesus & Thomas

Supplies:

- Jesus & Thomas page
- Crayons or markers
- Glue sticks (optional)
- Large round paper plate (optional)
- Scissors (optional)
- Tissue paper squares (optional)

Prep: print the Jesus & Thomas activity page. If desired, get a large round paper plate. Cut a large heart out of the centre. Pre-cut tissue paper into smaller squares.

- Invite your child to decorate the illustration of Jesus and Thomas.
- Optional: use the paper plate heart to glue onto the page so the heart acts as a frame of Jesus and Thomas.
- Optional: Use glue stick to place tissue paper squares around Jesus and Thomas.
- Ask: What is happening in the picture? Talk through the story from the video.
- Remind your child that Jesus didn’t stay dead. Highlight the Big Idea: **Jesus is alive.**



Key Verse Activity

Supplies:

- Key verse sign
- Key verse crosses
- Binoculars (optional)
- Magnifying glass (optional)

Prep: before the activity, hide the Key Verse crosses around your space.

Review the key verse together.

- Let your child know you have hidden crosses with the Key Verse message around for them to find.
- If desired, use a magnifying glass or binoculars to make it feel as though you are really hunting for something.