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Easter

BIG IDEA

Jesus is alive!

KEY VERSES

"Don't be afraid! I am the First and the Last. I am the living one. I died, but look—I am alive forever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and the grave." Revelation 1:17b-18 (NLT)

LEADER TIP

Emphasize that Jesus didn't stay dead. **Jesus is alive** forever, and because of this, we live in the reality of Jesus' aliveness!

1 | Hangout

SUPPLIES

• None

INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Discuss:
 - Does your family have an Easter tradition that you really enjoy? If so, what is it?
 - Does your family have a tradition that you think is weird or you're not sure why you do it? If so, what is it?



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2 | Hear

SUPPLIES

Bibles

INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Make sure everyone has access to a Bible.
- b. Guide the students to look up John 20:1-18.
- c. Read the passage together to review today's God Story.
- d. Highlight that when Peter and John heard that Jesus' tomb was empty, they ran to it. We might not be able to run physically towards Jesus today, but we can run towards Jesus spiritually. That is, we can realize a great, immediate need for him, then pray or connect with him in some way.
- e. Discuss: Have you ever "run spiritually" towards
 Jesus? If so, what was that experience like? If not,
 what do you think would prompt you to do it?
- f. Point out that when Mary stumbled into Jesus thinking he was a gardener, all he needed to do was say her name and she knew it was him.
- g. Discuss:
 - If Jesus said your name, what would that mean to you?
 - What other significance might Jesus saying your name have?

3 | Huddle

SUPPLIES

None

INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Remind the students that we believe Jesus is alive! That means he is active today. Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to be with us.
- b. Discuss:
 - What might the Holy Spirit be saying to you?
 - What do you think that means for how you live and love this week?
- c. Pray together about what the students have shared and discussed.