

Take Away "Easter Sunday" Matthew 28:1-10

Bible Story

You can read today's story below, watch the video at <https://youtu.be/8sFiYINAUIo> or find the story in your own Bible in Matthew chapter 28 verses 1-10.

Early in the morning, after the Sabbath, the women who had been with Jesus went to the tomb with oils and perfumes to wash his body. When they arrived they saw that the stone had been rolled away and an angel was sitting on it. The angel spoke to the women and said "Do not be afraid. You are looking for Jesus who was crucified but he is not here. He has been raised from the dead, just he said he would. Come and see, the tomb is empty, then go and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead and is waiting for them in Galilee."

The women hurried away to tell the disciples what they had seen and heard and on the way Jesus met them. He greeted them and told them "Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to meet me in Galilee, they will see me there."

Explore

How can our memory phrases help us understand this story?

God keeps his promises.

God promised that Jesus would come back to life after three days but the disciples struggled to believe it. Has anyone ever promised you something that seemed 'too good to be true'? Did they keep their promise?

God loves us with a never stopping, never giving up, unending, always and forever love.

Even death wasn't enough to stop God's amazing rescue plan.

See if you can find these things around the house and use them to help you tell someone else the Easter story:

A leaf – for Palm Sunday

Some sticks – for the cross

Three of something – for the three days Jesus was dead

Something alive – for Jesus, brought back to life!

Some bread and juice – for the last supper

A stone – for the tomb

Something empty – for the empty tomb

Prayer – Chat & Catch

Find somewhere quiet and get comfortable, on your own or with other people. You can read the prompts here or use the video at <https://youtu.be/bJPxpzAJQLO>

-Say Hello to God.

-Tell God about your day.

-Thank God for something special.

-Tell God about something you are hoping for.

-Ask God if there is anything He wants to say to you today and spend some time quietly listening.

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Craft – God's Promises!

You will need:

- A paper plate or circle of thin card.
- Paint or coloured pens.
- Yellow or bright coloured paper.
- Black or dark coloured paper.
- Scissors.
- Glue.



Paint or colour the bottom half of your plate green, like a hill.

Paint the top half of your plate like a sunset – see the picture for an example.

On yellow or brightly coloured paper draw around your hand and cut it out.

Once your plate is dry stick your handprint in the middle.

Cut a cross shape from black or dark coloured paper and stick it on top of your handprint.

Add the words 'He is Risen!' and hang your picture somewhere for everyone to see!

Song: 'Everything and Everyone Made New' <https://youtu.be/yz4HHahEK0Y>