



Sunday, April 4, 2021

The Empty Tomb...Easter Sunday! Mark 16:1-8



What's the Big Idea?

Jesus isn't here — this tomb is a place for the dead. Jesus is alive!

Mary Magdalene, Mary, Salome, and Joanna visited the tomb where Jesus had been buried. To keep with tradition after someone died, they wanted to honor and care for Jesus' body by rubbing spices on him. They expected to find Jesus' body exactly where it had been left, but to their great surprise, Jesus wasn't there! Jesus was alive and the women now had a new job to do: Go and tell others the good news that Jesus is alive! Alleluia!!



Did you know... Alleluia literally means, *Praise the Lord!*

Read the story!

Find this week's story on pages 482-487 of your Spark Story Bible.

Where do you see Squiggles this week?



Live It Together

We wish to see Jesus! Our Lenten journey has come to a close and we move into a time of celebrating our risen Jesus! Alleluia!

Stop by Trinity to get a pair of sunglasses from Sarah to use as a reminder to always be on the lookout for Jesus. When we train our eyes to notice Jesus at work in the world, it changes our hearts to be more loving.



Talk About It

- 1) How do you think Mary felt when she saw the empty tomb?
- 2) What's the biggest surprise of your life? How do you think your surprise compared to Mary's?
- 3) Mary Magdalene, Mary mother of James, and Salome all brought spices to Jesus' tomb to anoint his body. How do we remember and honor our loved ones who have died?
- 4) What do you do when you get big news? What news do you want to tell everyone? What news do you want to keep to yourself?

Pray: Dear God, we know that life is full of surprises. We have our own plans, desires, and expectations. Make us open to receive what life brings to us. When we are afraid, like Mary, help us find joy in life's surprises. Amen.

Memorize It

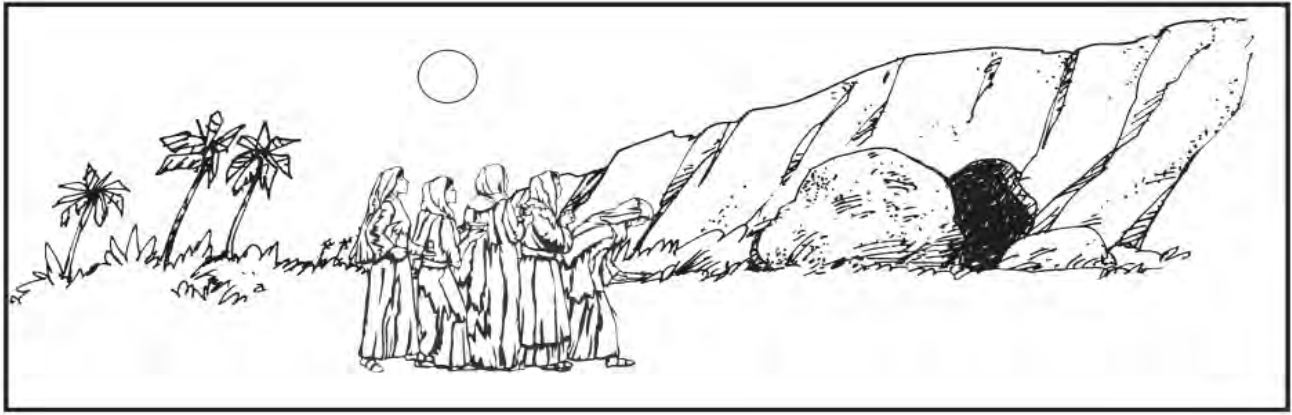
Have a grown up help you send a video of yourself saying this week's memory verse to Sarah to have a sticker added by your name on the Memory Verse Star Chart! Sarah sends a prize when 10 stars reached!

But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here."

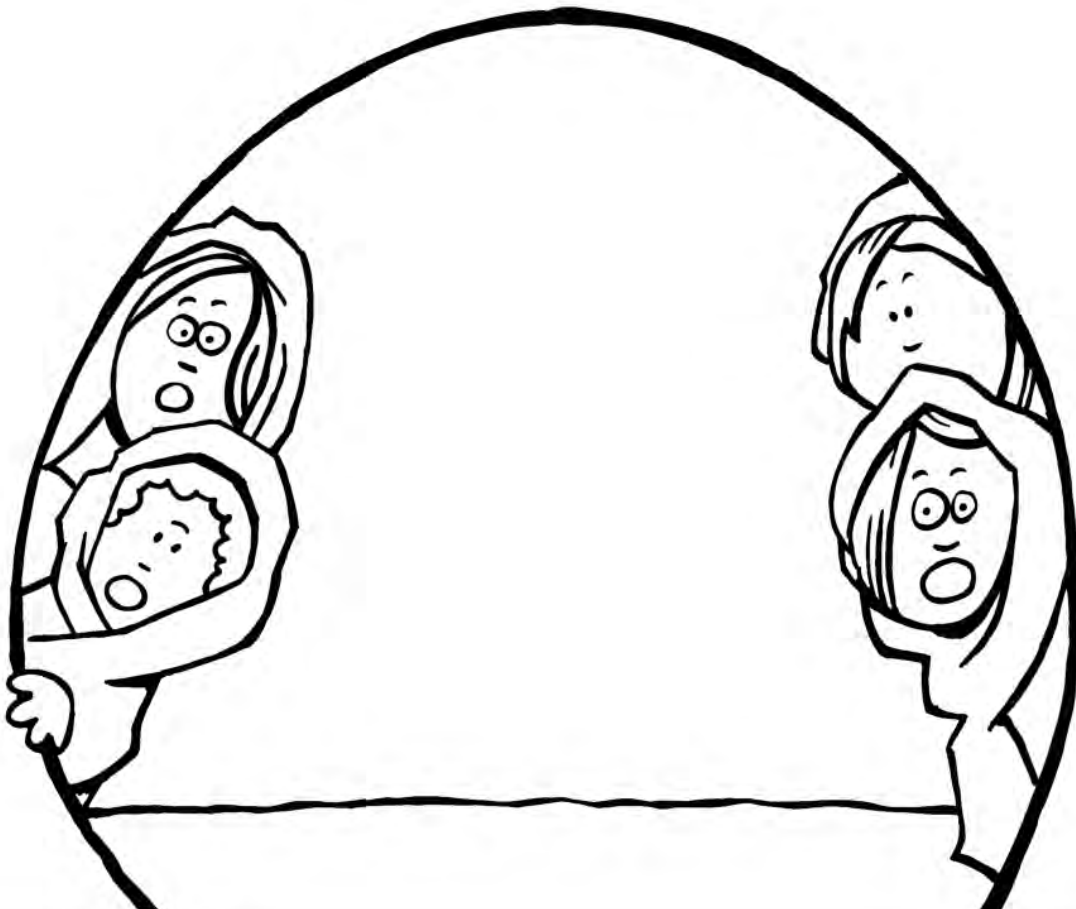
Mark 16:6a

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The Easter surprise



The women who visited Jesus' tomb on a Sunday morning had a big surprise! The tomb was open and Jesus was not there! Things were different than what they expected. Look at the two pictures above and below. Can you find seven differences between the two scenes?



“Don’t be afraid!” the angel said.
“Jesus is alive!”