RESURRECTION EGGS GUIDELINES

Hello families,

Some of your kids who are very young may not yet know of the horrible things that happened to Jesus on the night he was betrayed and killed, but as they get older they will eventually be introduced to learn of the details. You may want to watch the videos ahead of time without your child to be prepared for their questions.

Even though what the people did to Jesus was "mean" and "scary", we can be thankful that everything was recorded in the BIBLE for our benefit - we know how the story ends, and that Jesus is so powerful and special that even Death could not hold Him!

He is Risen and He is Alive! Emphasize the "happy ending" part to overcome the scary parts.

Because children/people of all ages learn in various ways (hearing, sight, touching, smell, active, musical, repetition, thinking about, etc.) it is always a good idea to reinforce learning in as many of these ways as you can when possible. That's one of the reasons why I like the RESURRECTION EGGS as they are visual and tactile along with hearing the story. Although in this case it is only the video you have. Therefore, you may want to "make" your own set of Eggs so your family has it for future use as part of your God honoring teaching materials.

Here are some suggestions:

- For a container:
 - An egg carton
 - o Could use plastic opening eggs, or not, and number eggs with a Sharpie
 - Or a nice flat box with a lid lay a soft piece of fabric or felt in the bottom
 - Or a basket with the numbered plastic eggs
- For the objects:
 - 1. Make a Small Leaf out of felt; or Small donkey/horse, or drawing
 - 2. 3 Dimes
 - 3. Small Piece of Bread or Cracker; or Toothpaste lid/thimble for a cup?
 - 4. Small Picture of Praying Hands
 - 5. Small Whip Made of Thread, Yarn, or Grass
 - 6. Crown Made of Grass, thin flexible stick, or a Flower Stem
 - 7. 3 Small Nails
 - 8. 1 Die/Dice
 - 9. 1 Toothpick or Small Plastic Sword
 - 10. 1 Piece of white Fabric
 - 11. A Small Rock
 - 12. Nothing the Tomb is empty!

ALTERNATIVELY - your set could be just **6 items**, leaving out the scary parts – see next page for details.

Items can be upgraded as you find pieces throughout the year

As always, use your imagination and have fun!!

Resurrection Eggs for Preschoolers

Gather 6 plastic eggs, each a different color. Place the items below - one in each egg. As you tell the Resurrection story, let your child open the eggs. Explain each item in the following order:

- Bread crumb: Jesus ate dinner with His friends. Luke 22:14-15
- Cross: The next day, Jesus died on the cross. John 19:17-18
- Strip of cloth: He was wrapped in cloth and placed in a tomb. Johns 19:40
- Rock: A stone was placed in front of the tomb. Matthew 27:59-60
- Empty Egg: Jesus' friends came to the tomb and saw the stone had been moved. The tomb was empty! Juke 24:1-3
 - Candy: Jesus is alive! That's the sweet surprise of Easter.

 Matthew 28:5-6