

This resource is designed to allow your family to have time in God's Word **BEFORE** your children attend church. Because God's plan is for **parents to be the primary spiritual nurturers** of their children's faith, *we want YOU to be the one to introduce* this part of The Big God Story to them.

For additional support in spiritual parenting and to learn more about creating transforming environments in your home, be sure to pick up **HomeFront: A Spiritual Parenting Resource** from your church or download at [HomeFrontMag.com](http://HomeFrontMag.com). You can also access the HomeFront app for your iPhone, iPad, or Android device.



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## JESUS IS ALIVE!

Matthew 28; Mark 16; Luke 24; John 20—21

Jesus rose from the grave! He is alive! Because of Jesus, we get to be with God forever. He wants us to be part of The Big God Story too!

JUST FOR FUN

Read your child's favorite book to her. Ask her why that particular book is her favorite. Talk together about the beginning and the end of the story. Ask her if there is a villain or a hero. Then share with her that there's a story that's the greatest story of all. It's The Big God Story, and each one of us can actually be a part of this true story. Explain that Jesus—the promised Redeemer—is the hero of The Big God Story. Read **Mark 16**. Pray together, thanking God that He kept His promise and sent Jesus, and that Jesus is alive!

## Did You Know?

- God planned our redemption through Jesus' death and resurrection from the very beginning of The Big God Story.
- Jesus' act of redemption on the cross is the climax of The Big God Story.
- The Big God Story is still being written through the lives of believers. He invites each of us to be a part of His continued work in the world around us.

### Remember Verse

*This is what the LORD says—your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel: "I am the LORD your God, who teaches you what is best for you, who directs you in the way you should go."*

Isaiah 48:17

Being a part of a faith community helps your child to know that he's not alone. As you celebrate Jesus' resurrection, be sure to include time to worship with your faith community. This will reinforce what the true celebration of Easter is all about.

### Teachable Moments

- What would it have been like to arrive at the empty tomb and see the stone rolled away?
- How does it feel to know that Jesus is alive?
- What are some ways we can celebrate what Jesus did for us?

## Blessing

For more information about blessing your child, see the Blessing section in **HomeFront: A Spiritual Parenting Resource**.

**A blessing to pray over your child:**

(Child's name), may you always remember that you're deeply loved by the God who was, and is, and is to come. He will live forever!