

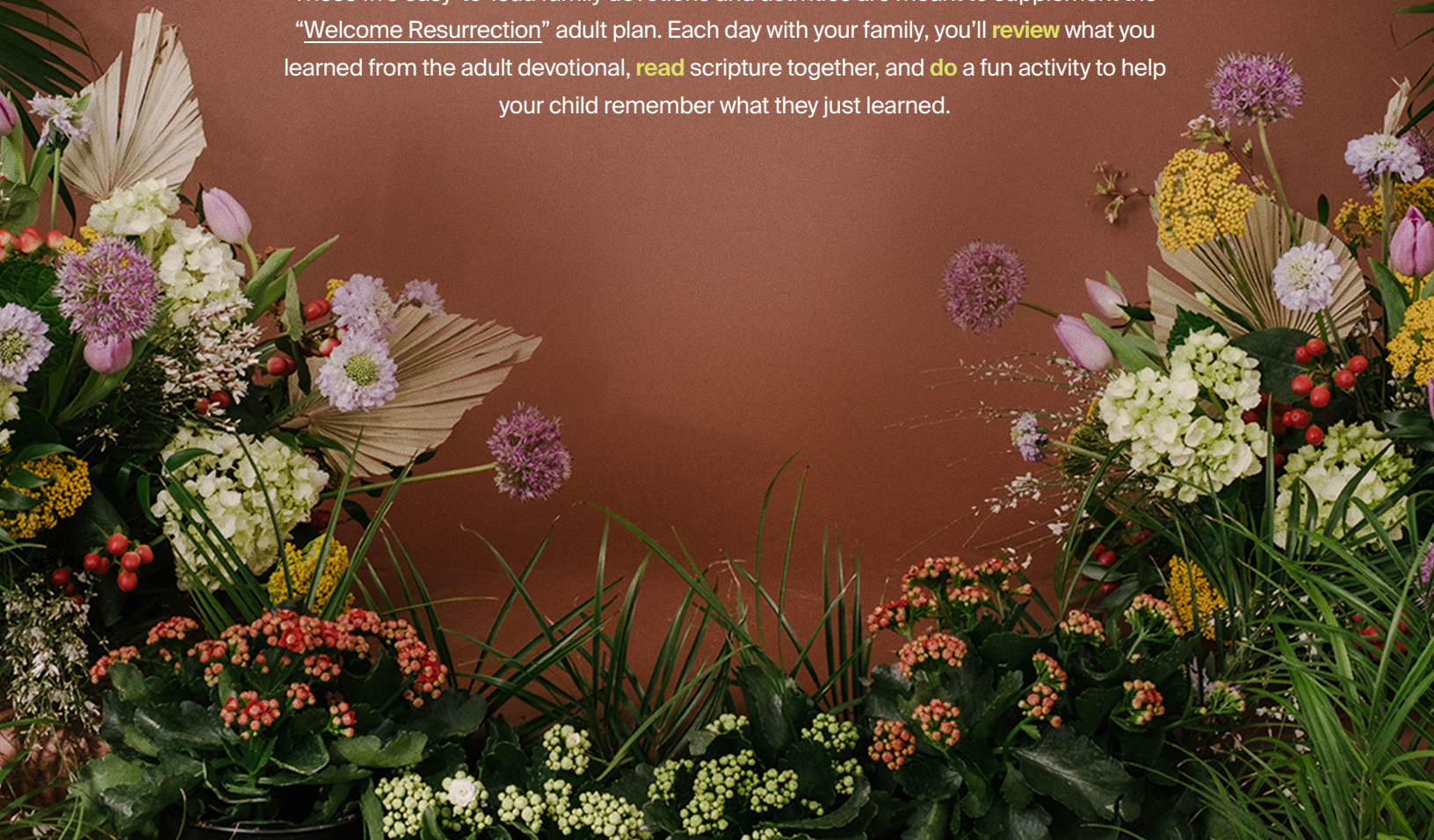


# Easter at Elevation

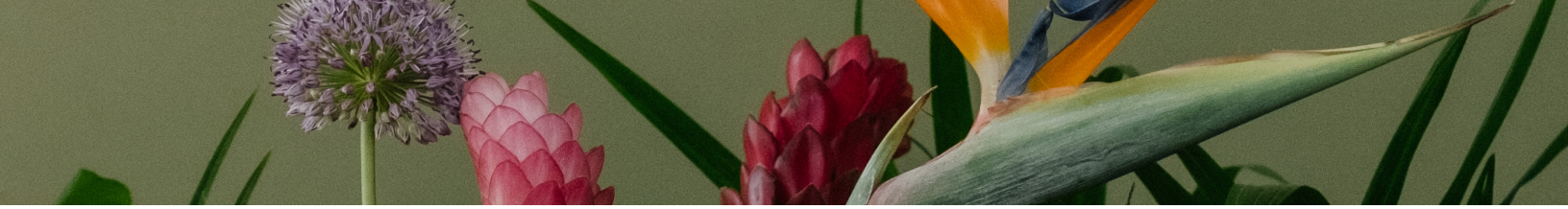
WELCOME — *Resurrection*

## Family Devotional

These five easy-to-lead family devotions and activities are meant to supplement the “[Welcome Resurrection](#)” adult plan. Each day with your family, you’ll **review** what you learned from the adult devotional, **read** scripture together, and **do** a fun activity to help your child remember what they just learned.







# Day 1: Jesus Comes To Jerusalem

## Review

Share with your family what you read in the “More Than Miracles” reading.

Before Jesus was born, God said a Savior and King would come to Israel on a colt. Now, Jesus was doing just as God had said. Jesus taught people about God’s love and healed them from sickness. He did many miracles, like calming storms and even raising people from the dead.

## Read

John 9:5-7 and John 11:38-43 and talk about the miracles Jesus performed.

Before coming to Jerusalem Jesus miraculously healed Lazarus. Many people had heard about the amazing things He had done and worshiped Him.

**Why do you think people were excited to see Jesus?**

**What miracles or blessings have you seen God do in your life?**

## Do

To celebrate Jesus coming to Jerusalem and the miracles He performed, turn on your favorite worship music and have a dance party! Make it extra fun by grabbing glow sticks, cranking up the music, and turning out the lights!



# Day 2: The Last Supper

## Review

Share with your family what you read in the “When Things Don’t Go As Planned” reading.

While in Jerusalem, Jesus and His disciples celebrated the Passover meal together. Afterward, they went to the garden where Jesus was betrayed by Judas and arrested.

## Read

Matthew 26:33-35, 69-75 and talk about Peter’s actions.

Peter didn’t think he would deny Jesus, but when faced with fear, that’s exactly what he did. But Jesus forgave Peter, and he went on to do great things for God.

**Can you think of a time when someone forgave you and helped you make the right choice?  
How did it make you feel?**

## Do

Pour some water into a glass and add a few drops of red food coloring. This water represents our wrong decisions, called sin. Now, use food coloring to make a glass of blue water. The blue water represents Jesus.

Next, mix the red and blue water together – look at the change! That red water’s gone forever. We won’t always make the best decisions, but when we follow Jesus, He uses our mistakes for good!



# Day 3: Jesus' Death and Resurrection

## **Review**

Share with your family what you read in the “When God Gives You The Silent Treatment” reading.

The religious leaders hated Jesus and wanted to kill Him. Soldiers nailed Him to the cross, and He died to take the punishment for our sin.

## **Read**

Luke 23:50 - 24:9 and talk about the women's response to not finding Jesus.

Early in the morning on the third day after Jesus' burial, the women went to the tomb, but an angel appeared and told them Jesus was alive! They were amazed, and told the disciples and others what they had seen and heard.

**Think about the last time you received good news. How did you respond? What did you do?**

## **Do**

It was quiet – it wasn't until the third day that people learned Jesus was alive. Play The Quiet Game and see who stays quiet the longest!



# Day 4: The Road To Emmaus

## Review

Share with your family what you read in the “When It Looks Like It’s Over” reading.

Jesus met two of His followers on the road to Emmaus. At first they didn’t recognize Jesus, but as He shared everything that had happened over the last several days, they knew it was Him!

## Read

Luke 24:36-44 and talk about why the disciples were so surprised to see Jesus.

Jesus appeared to the disciples and told them (and showed them!) He was alive! He shared that this was part of God’s plan to save the world, and that they would share this message with others.

**At first, the disciples didn’t believe Jesus was alive. Why do you think they struggled to believe it was Him?**

## Do

Write out John 3:16 and fill in each blank with your name. Hang the verse in a place where you can read it each day and thank God for His love!

“For God so loved \_\_\_\_\_ that he gave his one and only Son, so that if \_\_\_\_\_ believes in him, \_\_\_\_\_ shall not perish but have eternal life.”



# Day 5: The Great Commission

## **Review**

Share with your family what you read in the “Will You Welcome Resurrection?” reading.

After His resurrection, Jesus spent 40 days with the disciples and appeared to many people. Then He led the disciples to Galilee, where He blessed them and told them to tell the whole world about Him.

## **Read**

Matthew 28:16-20 and Luke 24:50-53 and talk about why Jesus told us to tell everyone about Him.

After Jesus disappeared and went up to heaven, He sent the Holy Spirit to help us carry out the Great Commission – telling others who Jesus is and what He’s done for us!

**Who do you know who needs to hear about Jesus, and how can you invite them to church to learn more about Him?**

## **Do**

Play “Which One Disappeared?” Put 8-12 objects on a table. While everyone has their eyes closed, one person will choose an item to remove from the table. Your family has to guess which item disappeared!