

WEEK OF APRIL 12



PARENT GUIDE  
(6 WEEKS - 2 YEARS)

## JESUS IS ALIVE! | MATTHEW 26-28

This month, we're learning "Jesus is alive!" God sent His Son, Jesus, to die on the cross for the wrong things we've done. After Jesus died, some of His friends went to His grave, and they were surprised to see an angel. The angel told them that Jesus wasn't there because He is alive. Jesus loves us so much that He died on the cross, but now He is alive in heaven, and He wants to be our friend forever!

### TODDLER ACTIVITIES

Choose an activity to complete with your toddler to learn that Jesus is alive!

#### BIBLE STORY ACTIVITY

##### WHAT YOU NEED:

a Bible (Use a children's Bible if you have one.)

##### WHAT YOU SAY:

"I love reading the Bible and spending time with Jesus. Let's read our Bible story together right now!"

##### WHAT YOU DO:

Read "Jesus is Alive!" — Matthew 28:1-7 from the Bible.

#### MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY

##### WHAT YOU SAY:

"Our memory verse helps us remember that Jesus is alive. Let's practice saying our memory verse together!"

##### WHAT YOU DO:

Have your toddler say Revelation 1:18 three times. Say it in a loud voice, a whisper voice, and a silly voice. Do the motions as you say the verse. Say the verse, line by line, encouraging your toddler to repeat and complete the actions after you.

**"I am alive** (*point up with pointer fingers*)

**for ever** (*spread arms wide*)

**and ever!"** (*spin in a circle*)

**Revelation 1:18** (*open hands like a book*)

#### GAME ACTIVITY:

#### EASTER EGG HUNT

##### WHAT YOU NEED:

Egg Hunt picture

##### WHAT YOU DO:

Print out the Egg Hunt picture or open it on a device so your toddler can see it. Download the picture from [elevationekidz.com](http://elevationekidz.com) (click the "Safari" button at the top of the page).

##### WHAT YOU SAY:

Say, "Easter is about more than just Easter egg hunts and yummy candy. It's when we get to remember the time Jesus died on the cross and celebrate that He came back to be our friend forever! Let's have an Easter egg hunt to help us remember that Jesus is alive!"

Call out each color Easter egg one at a time, and encourage your toddler to find them in the picture. Once they find each egg, read the prompts below and encourage your toddler to respond.

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## GAME ACTIVITY: EASTER EGG HUNT (CONTINUED)



Can you find the **pink** Easter egg? (Pause and allow your toddler to find it.) Great job! What do you see on the **pink** egg? (Allow response.) That's right! It's a heart. God loves us so much that He sent His Son, Jesus, to die on the cross for the wrong things we've done.

**If you know God loves you, give yourself a hug and say, "God loves me!"**



Can you find the **red** Easter egg? (Pause and allow your toddler to find it.) Great job! What do you see on the **red** egg? (Allow response.) It's Jesus' friends, the disciples! Jesus told His friends He would die, but He promised to come back.

**Pretend to call a friend on the phone and say, "Jesus is coming back!"**



Can you find the **purple** Easter egg? (Pause and allow your toddler to find it.) Great job! What do you see on the **purple** egg? (Allow response.) That's right! It's a cross. Jesus died on the cross because He loves us so much!

**If you know Jesus died on the cross, jump in the air and say, "Jesus loves me!"**



Can you find the **yellow** Easter egg? (Pause and allow your toddler to find it.) Great job! What do you see on the **yellow** egg? (Allow response.) It's a tomb! After Jesus died on the cross, some of His friends went to visit His grave. When they arrived, Jesus wasn't there. The tomb was empty!

**Show me your surprised face and say, "The tomb was empty!"**



Can you find the **orange** Easter egg? (Pause and allow your toddler to find it.) Great job! What do you see on the **orange** egg? (Allow response.) That's right! It's an angel. When Jesus' friends went to the tomb, they were surprised to see an angel. The angel told them Jesus wasn't there. He is alive!

**Let me hear you sing "Jesus is alive!" like you're an angel!**



Can you find the **blue** Easter egg? (Pause and allow your toddler to find it.) Great job! What do you see on the **blue** egg? (Allow response.) That's right! It's Jesus. Jesus died on the cross, but three days later, He came back to life, just like He said He would. Jesus is alive in heaven and He wants to be your friend forever!

**If you know Jesus wants to be your friend forever, give your friends a high five!**