

# ALLEY SG – March 28<sup>th</sup>- 29<sup>th</sup>, 2026

**Bible Story:** Easter (Crucified and Risen) • *John 18–20:23*

**Conversation Starter:** How do you celebrate Easter?

**Monthly Memory Verse:** *Always be joyful because you belong to the Lord. I will say it again. Be joyful!* • Philippians 4:4 NIV

## 1. Easter Craft

*Application Activity*

**What You Need:** Cross Craft (one per kid)

**What You Do:**

- Give each kid a self- adhesive cross kit.
- Tell the kids to peel the backing off of the self-adhesive cross.
- Have kids use the plastic tiles to decorate their cross.
- Help the kids Cut an 8" piece of cord. Thread the cord through the hole at the top of the cross. Tie a knot.
- Say: "God sent us His Son, Jesus, to die on the cross for our sins, but He didn't stay dead."
- Say: "On the third day, Jesus came back to life!"
- Invite the kids to hang this cross at home to remind them that God sent Jesus to rescue us!

## 2. Easter Bingo!

*Bible Story Review*

**What You Need:** Bingo cards, Bingo calling cards (cut apart in baggie), beans, Easter prizes

**What You Do:**

- Pass out cards and beans.
- Remind Kids that next Sunday we are celebrating Easter!
- As you play, ask the kids what each symbol has to do with the Story of Easter when you call it.
- Let each winner choose a prize.
- Play until the 5 minute warning.
- After the game, give each child who did not win a prize.
- Say, "Because Jesus is alive, we can have hope, no matter what we face. Hope is all about believing something good can come out of something bad. The truth is that following Jesus doesn't mean that hard things will just go away. But remember, Jesus will be right there with you. And His Holy Spirit lives inside of you. Friends, when you're having a hard time, you can hold on to the best news ever: **you can have joy because Jesus is alive!**"

### 3. Discussion Questions

- Why do you think Jesus allowed Himself to be arrested even though the soldiers fell down when He said, “I am he”? (John 18:6 NIRV)
- What moment in today’s Bible story amazes you the most?
- What does the resurrection prove about who Jesus really is?
- Peter messed up, but Jesus still forgave him and used him. What does that tell you about how Jesus sees YOU when you mess up?
- How does knowing Jesus is alive change the way you face: Fear? Confusing moments? Mess-ups?

### AT THE 5- MINUTE CALL: PRAY

- Ask, “Does anyone have any prayer requests or things they want to thank God for from this week? *(Let the kids share their prayer requests and praises)*”
- “Jesus, thank You. Thank You for the cross. Thank You for the empty tomb. Thank You that You’re alive right now! We are so grateful that we can know You and be Your friends. Please fill us with Your joy this week. We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus’ name. Amen.”
- Remind the kids that when they leave, their parents should get a text message on their phones telling them what we learned this week. AND they will get a link to an activity they can do at home and bring back to the City for a PRIZE!

**PARENT PICK UP POINT:** As adults arrive, ask the kids to tell them how God made a plan to rescue us