

GROWING IN FAITH TOGETHER



RESURRECTION EGGS

You will need:

Egg cartons

Paint

Plastic tablecloth or butchers paper for protecting the table (perhaps some paint shirts for smaller children)

Paintbrushes and jars of water for washing brushes

Wipes

Scissors

Copies of picture symbols and Bible verses (see separate sheets – make sure you photocopy them one sided so you can cut them out)

Optional idea 1: Have 12 plastic eggs to put the folded up Bible verses and symbols inside. Use a permanent marker to number the eggs.

Optional idea 2: Have the actual symbol objects in with the Bible verses – a leaf, coin, thimble (for a cup) or crouton, piece of leather, thorn on rose stem, nail, dice, toothpick, piece of material, stone, cross (which could be made using two trimmed matchsticks). *You could do a combination of objects and pictures.*

What to do:

1. Paint the egg carton first so it can have some time to dry.
2. Cut out all the symbols and matching Bible verses.
3. Place the symbols into the egg carton/plastic eggs in order of 1-12
4. Fold up the Bible verses and match the symbol
5. On the Wednesday, 12 days before Easter, start your Resurrection Eggs Lenten journey. Open in order - one a day - and reflect on the symbol and Bible verse. Talk about what it means for you together.



PALM



1

1 Matthew 21:8-9

A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. Then the multitudes who went before and those who followed, cried out, saying: "Hosanna to the Son of David! 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!' Hosanna in the highest!"

COINS



2

2 Matthew 26:14-15

Then one of the twelve, called Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests and said, "What are you willing to give me if I deliver Him (Jesus) to you?" And they counted out to him thirty pieces of silver.

CUP



3

3 Matthew 26:26-28

And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said, "Take, eat; this is My body." Then He took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you."

WHIP



4

4 Matthew 26:50b & 27:26

Then the men stepped forward, seized Jesus and arrested Him.

Pilate released Barabbas to them. But he had Jesus flogged and handed Him over to be crucified.

THORNS



5

5 Matthew 27:29

When they had twisted a crown of thorns, they put it on His head, and a reed in His right hand. And they bowed to kneel before Him and mocked Him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!"

NAILS



6

6 Matthew 27:31

And when they had mocked Him, they took the robe off Him, put His own clothes on Him, and led Him away to be crucified.

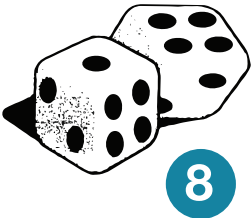
CROSS



7 John 19:17-18

Carrying his own cross, he went to the place called the skull. Here they crucified him, and with two others - one on each side and Jesus in the middle.

DICE



8 Matthew 27:35

Then they crucified Him, and divided His garments, casting lots, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet.

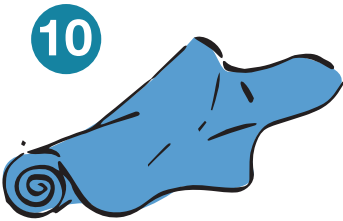
SPEAR



9 John 19:34

But when they came to Jesus and saw that He was already dead, they did not break His legs. But one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and immediately blood and water came out.

LINEN



10 Matthew 27:59

When Joseph had taken the body, he wrapped it in a clean linen cloth and laid it in his new tomb which he had hewn out of the rock; and he rolled a large stone against the door of the tomb, and departed.

ROCK



11 Matthew 27:66

Pilate said to them, "You have a guard; go your way, make it as secure as you know how." So they went and made the tomb secure, sealing the stone and setting the guard.

TOMB

12



12 Matthew 28:25

But the angel answered and said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for He is risen, as He said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.