



Twos

April 2014

DATE

Easter

LESSON TITLE

Read: "Jesus is Risen!"
(Beginner's Bible pp. 453-458)

WHERE TO FIND IT

Jesus is Alive!

MAIN POINT

schedule

This is a recommended schedule. You can adjust, but do make time for the lesson and the activity!

- 15 minutes Check-in and play time
- 5 minutes Clean-up toys
- 10 minutes Prayer/sing/snack
- 5 minutes Lesson/story time
- 10 minutes Lesson activity/craft
- 5 minutes Song time
- 10 minutes Play and clean-up time

tips

Try asking for clean-up help, specifically, "Hey Declan, can you please put the doll away?" You'd be surprised how much they want to help.

check-in/out

As you check-in kids, be sure to ask parents if their kids are potty-trained or are working on it. And so you know - if there is an "accident", we've got some clothes available to send them home in.

large group heads up

In April, we're going to learn about Easter. Obviously we don't want to get in a big conversation about death with these cute Twos, but we can definitely focus on the fact that Jesus came back. He's alive and that's a reason for a party. And really, what two-year-old doesn't like a party?



connect time

No Connect Time for Twos.



instructions

Goal: Engage kids in God's Story.

Why? We believe they can engage, even at age 2. The things they learn now will be foundational for the future.

Tip: If you have time to do both activities all of April, go for it. The more you can engage kids, the better!

small group

- April 5-6, 2014
- April 12-13, 2014

We'll be coloring a crown. As kids color, talk about how Jesus is our king and he is alive.

Supplies needed:
Crown coloring sheets and crayons

- April 19-20, 2014
- April 26-27, 2014

To celebrate that Jesus came back, we're going to make music with musical instruments. Allow kids to choose an instrument and make some noise. March around together and play to your heart's content.

Note: It will be noisy, but that's okay. The kids will have fun and you can bear it for a few minutes!

Supplies needed: maracas, drums, mini cymbals, noisemakers

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special notes

We're using "The Beginner's Bible" for all of our stories.

If you'd like to read another kid version of this story, The Jesus Storybook Bible does a great job. "God's wonderful surprise" is the title of the story, starting on page 310.

presenter tips

- Try to have the kids sit down at the tables for the story - no toys or snacks! Other volunteers can help you get the kids sitting down with chairs pushed in. They can also help redirect kids who are getting up.
- Feel free to pause, use voice inflections or voices - remember being animated helps them listen!
- You can ask questions during the story too!

script

Hold up the **Bible** and ask, "Does anyone know what this is?" That's right! It's a Bible. And the Bible is a very special book because God gave it to us. And the best part...It's all true!

We're going to learn even more about Jesus today! Remember how we learned how Jesus loves kids? How his love is the best present of all? Well today we're going to learn about God's great surprise for all of us!

Read: "Jesus is Risen!" (Pages 453-458).

Wow - can you believe it? God brought Jesus back! That meant his friends and family could see him again. That sounds like a wonderful reason to celebrate - doesn't it?

QUESTIONS - Have the kids repeat the answers with you.

Who came down from heaven? An ANGEL!

What did the angel say? JESUS IS ALIVE!

Let's say thank you to God. "Dear God, we're so happy that you brought Jesus back. That shows how much you love us and WE LOVE YOU! Amen."



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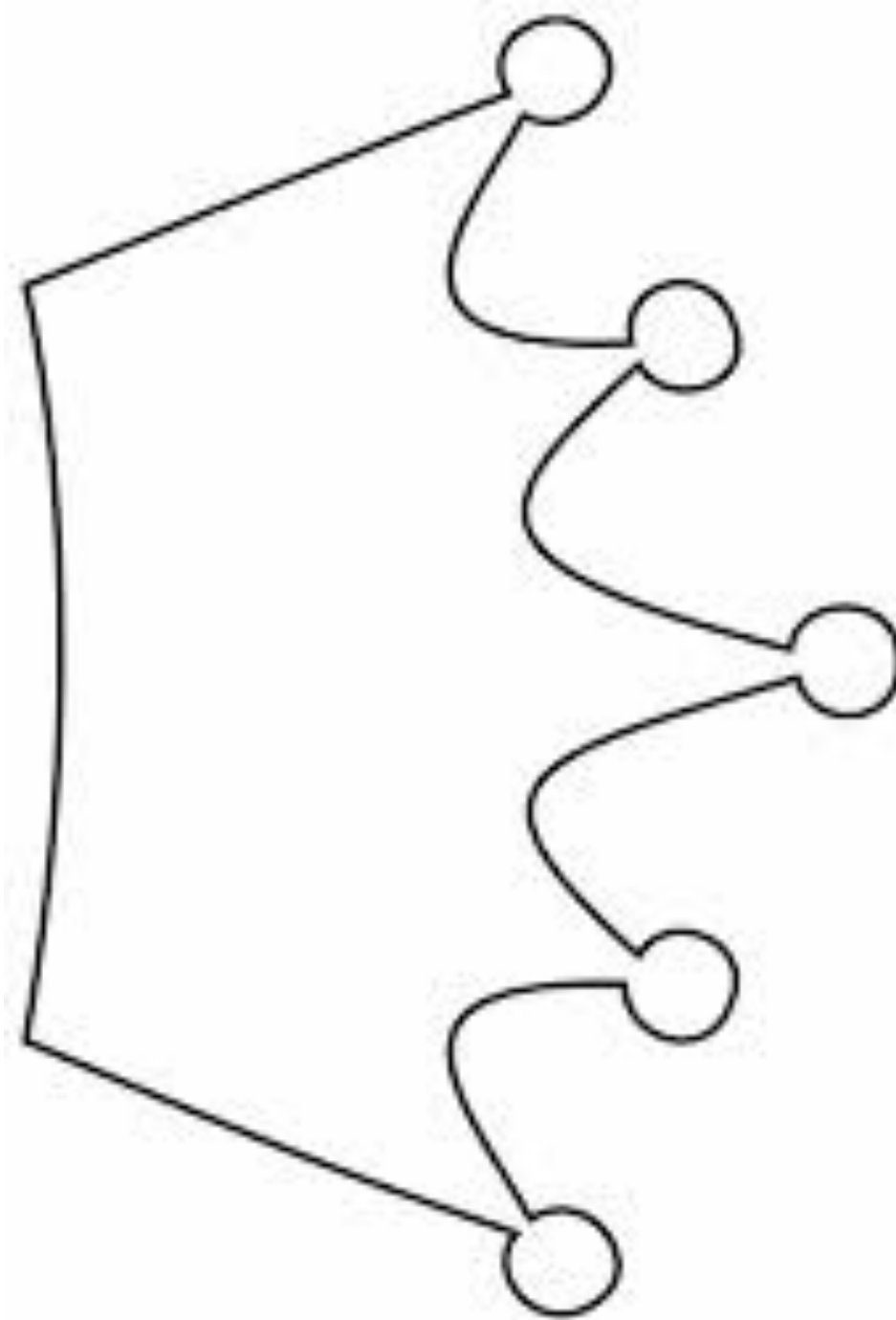
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PREP needs



connect time supplies

No Connect Time

small group supplies

The Beginner's Bible (pp. 453-458)

• April 5-6 AND April 12-13
Crown coloring sheet and crayons

• April 19-20 AND 26-27, 2014
Maracas, drums, mini cymbals, noise
makers (nothing that you put your mouth on)

large group supplies

The Beginner's Bible (pp. 453-458)
Jesus Storybook Bible (p. 310)

a/v needs

Working CD player and any Kids' Club CD

connect questions

Why do we celebrate? (Jesus is alive!)

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