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This is the month when many people prepare for Easter Sunday by buying new hats or new outfits. Lots of children receive chocolate rabbits and Easter baskets on Easter Sunday morning.

New hats are pretty and Easter eggs are fun, but what is the REAL purpose for Easter? What is it that we especially want to remember, more than colored eggs, hats or anything? We want to remember the resurrection of Jesus Christ!


The word "resurrection" means to rise (get up) from the dead. Let's go to God's Word to learn just what happened.


Matthew 27 tells us that all the chief priests and other wicked leaders wanted to kill Jesus, even though Jesus had done nothing wrong! These wicked men decided to crucify Jesus, which means they wanted to nail him to a tree to die.

Jesus Christ did not have to die. His life was not taken from him, but rather he gave his life for you and me. This is one reason why he is our saviour.

Jesus was crucified on a Wednesday, before sunset, and his body was placed in a sepulchre. A sepulchre is a very large hole cut into a rock, used as a grave. Once Jesus' body was placed in the sepulchre, a very large stone was placed over the opening. Jesus' body was in the grave for three days and three nights.

Luke 24:1 says that VERY early that Sunday morning, just as the sun was beginning to rise, the women went to the sepulchre. By this time Jesus had been raised from the dead, but the women did not know it yet. Luke 24:2-4 tells us:





And they found the stone rolled away from the sepulchre.

And they entered in, and found not the body of the Lord Jesus.

And it came to pass, as they were much perplexed thereabout, behold, two men stood by them in shining garments.

Can you imagine seeing two men, who were really angels, in shining garments? That must have been something!

The women were afraid at first, but the angels told them in Luke 24:5b and 6a, "Why seek ye the living among the dead? He is not here, but is risen."

These women had loved Jesus VERY much. Just think how excited they must have been to learn that Jesus had been raised from being dead! The Word says in Luke 24:9 that these women ". . . returned from the sepulchre, and told all these things unto the eleven, and to all the rest."

How would YOU like to have been one of those women who told the disciples that Christ was not dead, but that God had raised him from the dead? Just think how excited the disciples must have been to receive their message!

Did you know that today there are many people who do not know that Jesus was raised from the dead and that he ascended (went up) into heaven? Just as this was thrilling news to the disciples, we can share this message with people today. We can tell them this exciting record about Jesus' resurrection from the dead. We can teach them about Christ's ascension and how to become born again so that they can have the power of God in Christ in them TODAY!

Resurrection Review

1. The word "resurrection" means to _____ (get up) from the dead.
 - a. rise
 - b. rest
 - c. sleep
2. Matthew 27 tells us that all the chief priests and other wicked leaders wanted to _____ Jesus, even though he had done nothing wrong!
 - a. bless
 - b. help
 - c. kill
3. Jesus was crucified on a _____, before sunset, and his body was placed in a sepulchre.
 - a. Friday
 - b. Thursday
 - c. Wednesday
4. Jesus' body was in the grave for _____ days and _____ nights.
 - a. three, five
 - b. two, two
 - c. three, three
5. The Word says in Luke 24:9 that these women "... returned from the sepulchre and _____ these things unto the eleven, and to all the rest."
 - a. told nothing
 - b. didn't tell
 - c. told all

Word Finding Fun

Using the letters from the word "RESURRECTION," see how many words you can make.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____
11. _____
12. _____
13. _____
14. _____
15. _____
16. _____
17. _____
18. _____
19. _____
20. _____





And they [the women] remembered his [angel's] words, And returned from the sepulchre, and told all these things unto the eleven, and to all the rest.

Luke 24:8 and 9

Go and Tell

Just as the angels shared the Word about Jesus Christ, you can too! Of course, you can not tell something until you first know about it yourself.

Tell in your own words what you know about the resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ. (If you like you can read pages two and three again before you do this page.)

Retemory Lane

Luke 24:6a:
He is not here, but is risen.

John 3:16:
For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son,
that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have ever-
lasting life.

Romans 6:4b:
. . . like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the
Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

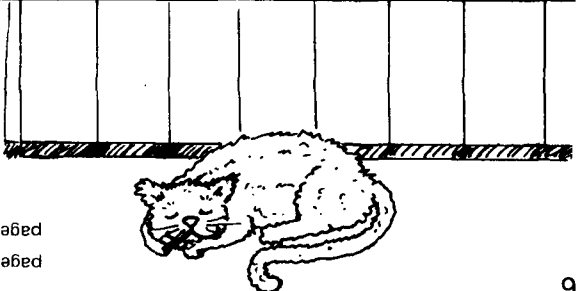


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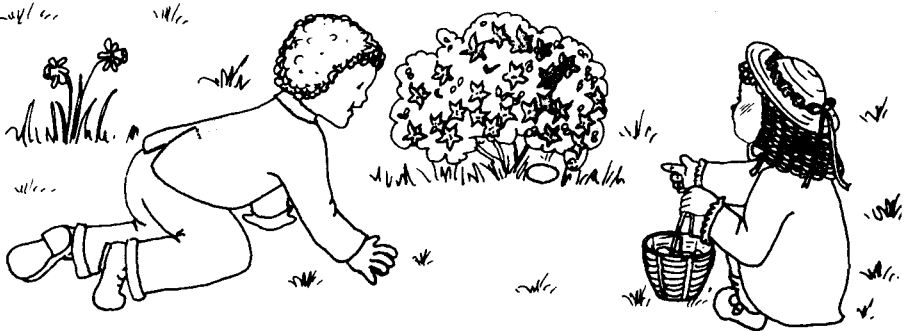
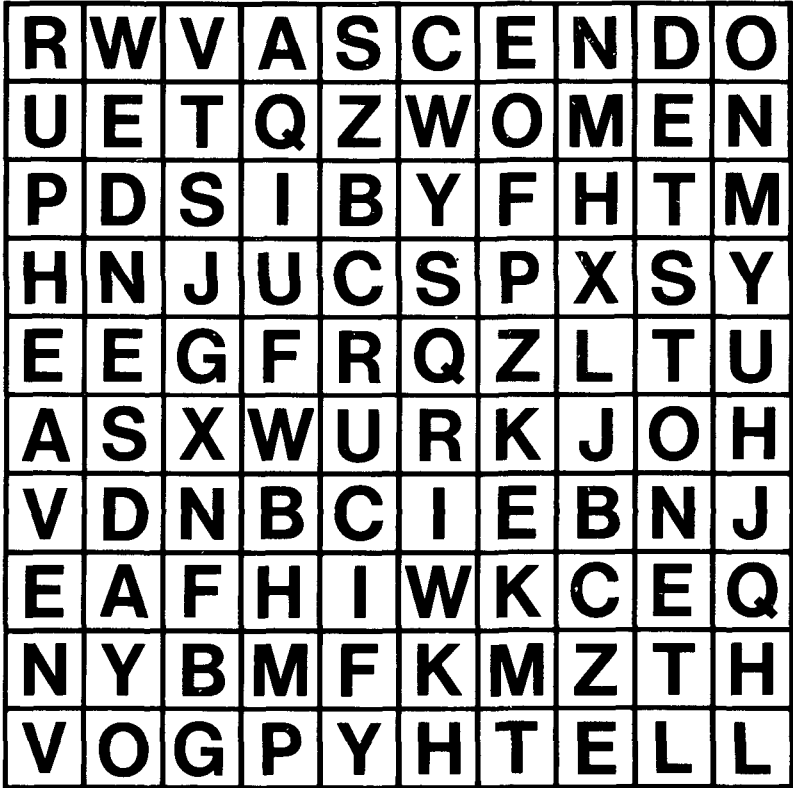
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Below are eight words from this month's article. See if you can find all eight words in the letter boxes below.

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| 1. resurrect | 5. women |
| 2. Wednesday | 6. ascend |
| 3. crucify | 7. heaven |
| 4. stone | 8. tell |



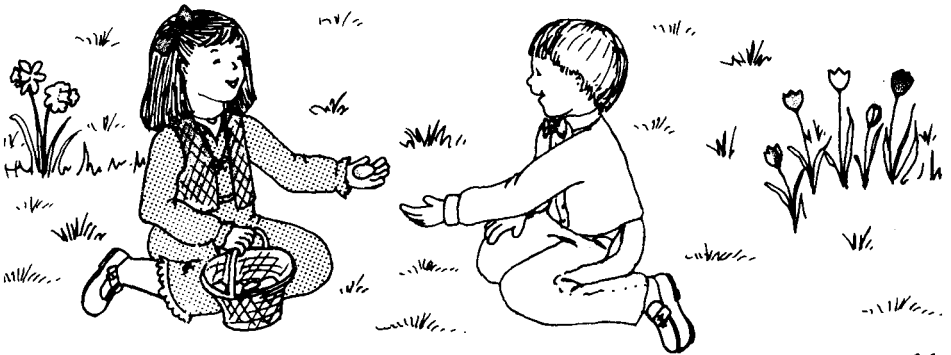
Heart Sharing

Dear children's Magazine
I learned How to Heal
somebody. I once
Healed somebody.
It Blessed him. I got
blessed too.

We played together.

Jason Clark

Age 7



Tell It Again

Tell it again for someone needs it,
tell it again,
Tell it again till someone heeds it,
tell it again,
There's no other story to bring men
to glory,
So tell it and tell it, and tell it
again.

