



TWOS

DATE(S)

April 2013

SERIES TITLE

Easter

LESSON TITLE

Jesus is alive!

OBJECTIVE

Kids will learn that though Jesus died, God brought him back and we will celebrate that Jesus is alive!

BIBLE STORY

Read: "Jesus is Risen!" (Beginners Bible pages 453-458)

Worship the Lord with gladness.
Psalm 100:2

tips/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
5 minutes	Lesson/story time
10 minutes	Prayer and snack
10 minutes	Lesson activity/craft
5 minutes	Song time
10 minutes	Play and clean-up

* We have those industrial bubble machines for a reason! Use them to help kids acclimate in the first 5-10 minutes.

* 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.

leader PREP

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?

KC ANNOUNCEMENTS

DAILY breakout



checkIN / checkOUT

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



small group INSTRUCTIONS

QUESTIONS

The goal of our activities is to provide experiences to help the kids grasp the concept for the month.

ACTIVITY

- April 6-7, 2013
- April 20-21, 2013

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

- April 13-14, 2013
- April 27-28, 2013

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

large group SCRIPT

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).

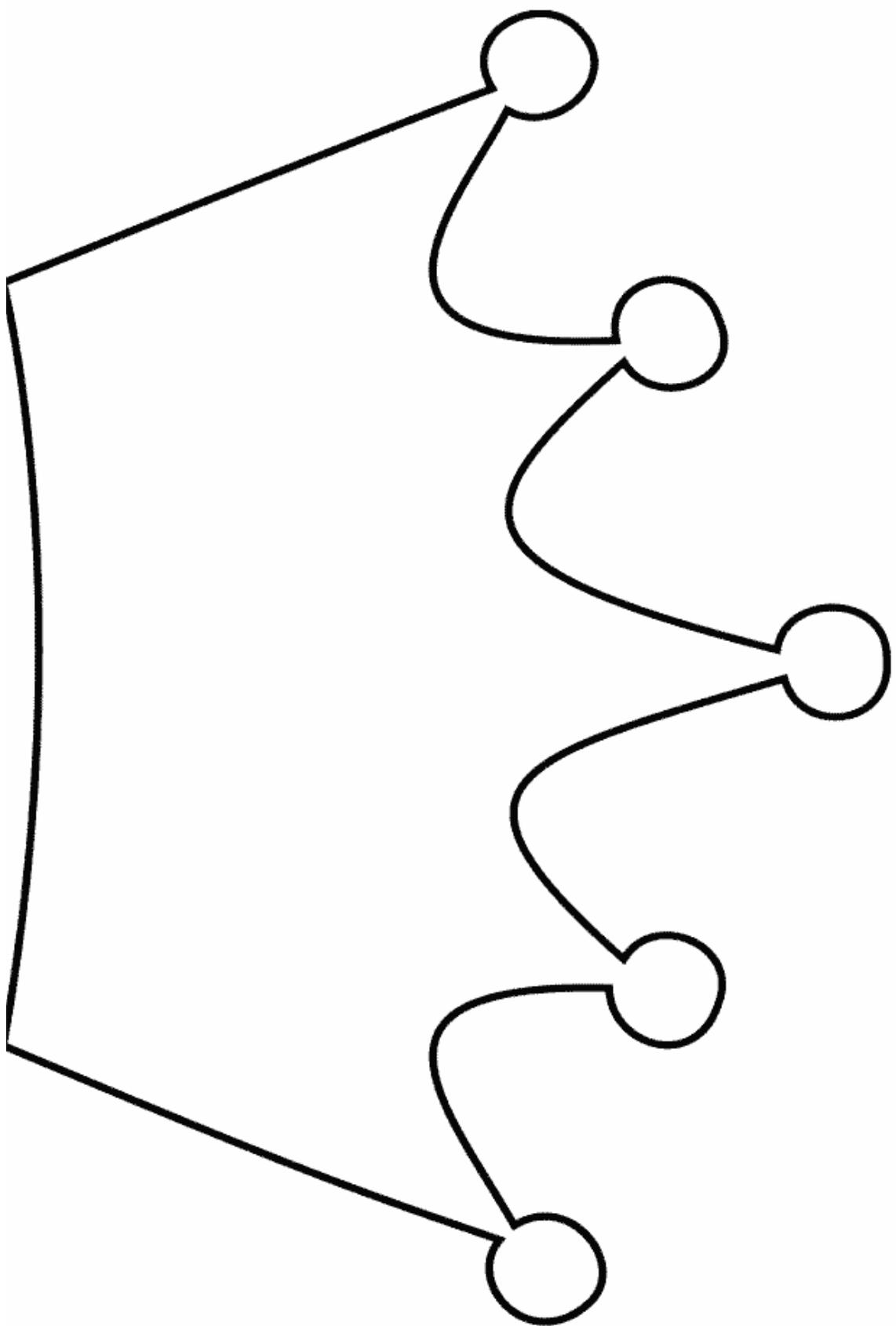
Wow - can you believe it? God brought Jesus back! That meant his friends and family could see him again. That sounds like a wonderful reason to celebrate - doesn't it?

QUESTIONS - Have the kids repeat the answers with you.

Who came down from heaven? An ANGEL!

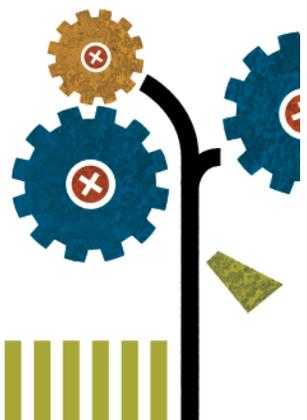
What did the angel say? JESUS IS ALIVE!

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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PREP needs



small group supplies

The Beginner's Bible

- April 6-7 AND April 20-21, 2013
Maracas, drums, mini cymbals, noise makers (nothing that you put your mouth on)

- April 13-14 AND April 27-28, 2013
Crown coloring sheet and crayons

large group supplies

None

a/v needs

Kids' Club Music CD

special room set-up

None

connect questions

Why do we celebrate? (Jesus is alive!)

parent page

In April, we're learning the story of Easter. With the two-year-olds we do not talk about Jesus' death on the cross. Instead, we focus on celebrating that Jesus is alive. We read the story from The Beginner's Bible. If you don't have a children's Bible, ask your kid's leader for one!

