

NOVEMBER 22, 2020 JESUS APPEARED TO THE DISCIPLES

BIBLE PASSAGE: Luke 24; John 20

STORY POINT:

Jesus is alive in heaven.

KEY PASSAGE: John 11:25

CHRIST CONNECTION:

We have not seen Jesus, but we believe He is alive.

BABIES

BABY GOSPEL GEMS

Share these truths with your baby throughout the week!

- · Jesus showed His friends He is alive.
- · Jesus told Thomas to believe.
- · Jesus wants us to believe He is alive too.

BABY ACTIVITIES

HANDPRINT ART

Place a bit of painter's tape on heavyweight paper. Help your baby dip her hand into washable paint on a foam plate. Press her palm gently onto the paper, covering the tape. Wipe her hands. Remove the tape. Write the Christ connection on her art and set it aside to dry.

SAY: Jesus showed Thomas His hands and feet. Jesus told Thomas to believe. Jesus wants us to believe He is alive too. **JESUS IS ALIVE IN HEAVEN.**

CLAP AND STOMP

Sit with your baby on your lap or let him lay down on a soft blanket. Gently help him clap his hands and stomp his feet. Touch his hands, touch his feet, and say "I believe [baby's name] is alive!" Talk about the story.

SAY: Thomas was not with the friends when Jesus showed His friends He is alive. Thomas did not believe they had seen Jesus! Jesus told Thomas to believe and showed him His hands and feet. **JESUS IS ALIVE IN HEAVEN!**

TODDLERS

BIBLE STORY FOR TODDLERS

Share this story with your toddler throughout the week!

"Peace to you!" Jesus said. Jesus showed them His hands and His feet, and they were so happy. Jesus was alive! One of Jesus' friends—Thomas—was not there when Jesus spoke and ate with His friends. Thomas said, "Unless I see the marks on Jesus' hands and side and touch them myself, I will never believe!" Eight days later, the friends and Thomas were in a locked room again. Jesus stood in front of them! Jesus said to Thomas, "Look at My hands and touch them. Reach out and touch My side. Believe!" Thomas said, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus told Thomas, "Those who believe in Me but don't see Me are blessed."

TODDLER ACTIVITIES

THANK JESUS

Provide rhythm instruments for your toddler to play as you sing songs about Jesus, such as "I Am So Glad That Jesus Loves Me," "Jesus Loves Me," and "God Is So Good." If you are unfamiliar with the songs, look them up online before the session.

SAY: Jesus showed His friends He is alive, and they worshiped Him. Jesus told Thomas to believe. We believe **JESUS IS ALIVE IN HEAVEN** today.

COUNT THE FRIENDS

Provide 12 peg people for your toddler to practice counting aloud with you. Start the game with 11 peg people to represent the disciples without Thomas. Tell the story.

SAY: Thomas was not with the friends when Jesus showed His friends He is alive. Jesus told Thomas to believe. We believe that JESUS IS ALIVE IN HEAVEN.