

## Nursery Lesson

### God's Wonderful Surprise

**This is my favorite lesson for the whole year! Take a minute before you start this lesson to talk about your little ones' favorite things. The best, most wonderful celebrations. What makes them giggle, and smile and feel joy?**

Read the story from the "Jesus Storybook Bible" on page 310.

*(If you need a Storybook Bible, we have left some in the entryways at the church.)*

Follow up questions:

- How were Jesus' friends feeling in the beginning of the story? Do you remember from last week what happened and why they were sad?
- What good news did the Angel share with the women in the story?
- Who did Mary see? What did Jesus tell Mary to go tell everyone?
- Did you know that Jesus wants us to tell people this same good news?
- How did Mary feel at the end of the story?

### Craft – The Stone is Rolled Away

It is looking like Easter Morning will be a bright sunny day, and I am excited because our craft is once again sending the kiddos outside.

- Have your little ones search for a nice round flat rock.
- Remember from the beginning of our story, the Big Huge Rock was rolled away, the Tomb is EMPTY!!
- Using markers or paints, have your little one draw all the wonderful things they would have at the best celebration (flowers, ice cream, presents, friends and family, whatever makes them feel the happiest).
- Have them share a picture of their rock with a family member or a friend that could use this great news, that Jesus isn't dead in the ground, but HE IS ALIVE!! How exciting, lets PARTY!
- Keep the rock in your garden, or by your front steps, it is a great reminder that our hope is alive, our hope is strong, and our hope is in Jesus.
- If you want, you can share a picture on Facebook, marking your post with **#sbchingham**, and we can party together 😊

