

# God's Story Our Story™

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Use this resource at home to guide your household's daily devotions.



**Pray:** Light a candle and open your devotion time with a prayer.

**Risen Lord, Good Friday grief has given way to Easter joy! Cheer our hearts with the good news of your resurrection, O Lord, and drive us forth to proclaim it to the world. In your name we pray, Amen.**



**Read:** Read the key verses from Sunday's reading.

*<sup>15</sup>Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away."<sup>16</sup>Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). (John 20:15-16)*



**Reflect:** Reflect on the scripture summary.

**Disbelief at finding Jesus' body missing from his tomb soon becomes unbelievable joy at his having been raised. They should've known their teacher wouldn't stay put for long.**



Resurrection  
(Easter)



**Connect:** Connect in conversation with others in your household.

What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?

What traditions will you celebrate today? What do they mean for you and your family and friends?

**Wonder:** How has Jesus shocked or surprised you? If you need a surprise or miracle, ask God for one. Be open to God's response.



**Bless:** Close your devotion with a blessing.

**May the God of resurrection bring you new life. Amen.**



**Do:** By acting on what we learn, we make God's word come alive. Do the following activity this week.

**Carry your traditions throughout the entire week. If you eat deviled eggs on Easter, eat them all week long. If you hunt for Easter eggs, look for eggs all week. If you sit down to a family meal, have family meals all week.**



**Go Deeper:** Go to [clergy-stuff.com/daily-devotions](http://clergy-stuff.com/daily-devotions) for devotions on the daily readings.

Sunday, John 20:1-18, Resurrection

Monday, John 21:1-14, Jesus Appears to Seven Disciples

Tuesday, John 21:15-19, Jesus and Peter

Wednesday, John 21:20-25, Jesus and the Beloved Disciple,

Thursday, Acts 5:1-11, Ananias and Sapphira

Friday, Acts 5:12-16, The Apostles Heal Many

Saturday, Acts 5:17-42, The Apostles Are Persecuted