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Dear Minno Family,

We are incredibly grateful and honored that you've chosen to spend your Easter season with us. In the midst of this difficult time, it is comforting to know that the Church can continue to worship together, even though we may be physically apart.

Our team has curated some of the best and most encouraging content for your kids to learn about Jesus and the significance of the season. To help walk you through the Easter season, we've put together this family discussion guide.

Minno Church at Home He is Risen! Resources

- He is Risen! Series on Minno Church at Home, 8 lessons (see Scope and Sequence on next page)
- Easter Family Activity Guide, available on Minno Life
- Minno Shows About Easter, available on gominno.com
- Easter Week 5 Minute Family Devotional, available on gominno.com
- Expert help and everyday encouragement to help you guide your family through the season, available on Minno Life

We pray these tools help your family meet with God, no matter where you are, to experience His deep love for you as you thank Him for all He has done.

He is Risen! He is Risen, Indeed!

Happy Easter from our Minno Family to yours!



He Is Risen!

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Scope and Sequence

Date	Theme	Bible Verse
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March 14	Give Thanks	1 Thessalonians 5:18
March 21	The Lamb	Ephesians 5:2
March 28	Palm Sunday	Romans 5:8
April 2	Good Friday	Isaiah 53:5
April 4	He Is Risen!	Matthew 28:6
April 11	Good News	Romans 1:16
April 18	Everyone	Mark 16:15
April 25	Go and Tell	1 Corinthians 11:1



Conversation Cards



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Give Thanks

Story: The Ten Outcasts

Bible Verse: Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.
1 Thessalonians 5:18 NIV

Ask:

What can we thank God for, especially as we look toward Easter?

Say: God deserves my gratitude!

Pray: Dear God, we have so many reasons to be thankful. As we prepare for Easter, we thank You, especially, for Your Son, Jesus! Amen.

The Lamb

Story: The Lamb of God

Bible Verse: And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us.
Ephesians 5:2 ESV

Ask:

Why do you think Jesus was willing to take the consequence for our sins?

Say: Jesus is the Lamb of God.

Pray: Dear God, thank You for Jesus, Your son; Your blameless Lamb, who took the consequence for our sins. Help us to love others with Jesus' perfect love. Amen.

Palm Sunday

Story: Jesus Enters Jerusalem

Bible Verse: God showed how much he loved us by having Christ die for us . . .
Romans 5:8 CEV

Ask:

What are some ways we know God loves us?

Say: God showed His big love through Jesus.

Pray: Dear God, thank You for showing us Your big love through Jesus. Today and everyday we worship You for all You have done! Amen.

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Good Friday

Family Discussion Guide

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Feature - What's In The Bible? Easter Story

Bible Verse - Isaiah 53:5

Bible Story - Jesus' Life and Death (**The Biggest Story**)

Prayer - The Lord's Prayer (**from Matthew 6:9-13 CEV**)

Worship - Ever Be (**Bethel Music Kids**)

BIBLE VERSE

He was wounded . . . because of our sins; by taking our punishment, he made us completely well.

Isaiah 53:5 CEV

BIG IDEAS

Good Friday - How can such a sad day be called "good"? Good Friday is a time to remember the death of our savior, Jesus. It is hard and sad to think of our friend Jesus dying on the cross but since the story has a happy ending, we can thank God today with both reverence and joy.

Sin - We sin when we choose our own way instead of God's way. Because Jesus died on the cross for our sins, we can receive God's forgiveness.

Sacrifice - To sacrifice means to "give up something." In the Bible, an animal sacrifice was often payment for sin. Because of Jesus' sacrifice, the debt of our sin has been paid!

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Why do you think God allowed His son to die on the cross?
2. Why is Jesus' death thought to be the worst thing AND the best thing that's ever happened?
3. What do you think it means that Jesus was the new sacrifice?
4. How does Jesus' death provide a new beginning for God's people . . . for us?
5. How can we respond to Jesus' great sacrifice?

PRAYER

Dear God,
Oh, how You must love us to send Your Son Jesus to die on the cross for our sins. Thank You for providing the ultimate sacrifice so that we can be forgiven and live in relationship with You. Today we look to You with both honor and joy because of Your great love. Amen.

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Holy Saturday

This day is traditionally a quiet day of prayer and reflection spent in preparation for Easter and the celebration of the resurrection of Christ.

Scriptures and Prayers for Reflection

Scriptures

Psalms 51:10-12 (NIV)

Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

Philippians 2:5-11 (NLT)

You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had.

Though he was God, he did not think of equality with God as something to cling to. Instead, he gave up his divine privileges; he took the humble position of a servant and was born as a human being. When he appeared in human form, he humbled himself in obedience to God and died a criminal's death on a cross. Therefore, God elevated him to the place of highest honor and gave him the name above all other names, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue declare that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Prayers

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled, as to console; to be understood, as to understand; to be loved, as to love; for it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.
- St. Francis of Assisi

Master! It seems too good to be true! But you come to us, call us by our name, joyfully laugh with us, - and it is true! Living Lord, you were dead, really dead, dead and buried - But God has raised you to life, and, with your risen life, begins a new creation! . . . Living Lord, prove it true: come to us now, call us by our name, breathe peace over us, and give us a new lease on life! - Ken Taylor, *Praying the Passion: Daily Readings & Prayers for Lent*

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Easter Sunday

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Worship - It's a Happy Day (**Yancy and Friends**)

Bible Verses - Matthew 28:6

Bible Story - The Messiah Has Come (**What's In The Bible?**)

Prayer - The Lord's Prayer (**from Matthew 6:9-13 CEV**)

A Minno Moment - The Empty Tomb (**Holy Moly**)

Worship - This Is What You Do (**Bethel Kids Worship**)

BIBLE VERSE

He is not here; he has risen, just as he said.

Matthew 28:6 NIV

BIG IDEAS

Passover - Passover was a special celebration of when God saved the Israelites from the last plague before freeing them from slavery in Egypt. Passover is still celebrated today!

Messiah - The Messiah was the blessing for the whole world that God promised to Abraham many many years before Jesus came to earth. Jesus was the promised Messiah!

Covenant - A covenant is a promise. Jesus brought the new covenant or promise of salvation through His death and resurrection.

Kingdom of God - Jesus' life showed us what the Kingdom of God would be like; creation the way it was always supposed to be. No sickness, no sadness, no death. The Kingdom of God is here now, but it is still very small, like a seed. In His perfect timing, the Kingdom of God will explode in full bloom and we will live with Him forever!

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What do you think it means that Jesus is the new Passover lamb?
2. What did Jesus' miracles tell the people about the Kingdom of God?
3. Why do you think the stain of our sin appeared on Jesus as He was dying?
4. How do you think Jesus' friends felt when they found His tomb empty?
5. Why did God allow Jesus to die if He was going to be raised from the dead?

Prayer

Dear God,
We are so thankful that You defeated sin and death by raising Jesus from the grave! Today we celebrate the new life we receive when we accept Your gift of grace. When we feel sad help us remember the hope we have because of Jesus! Amen.

Conversation Cards

Good News

Story: Saul Meets Jesus

Bible Verse: It's news I'm most proud to proclaim, this extraordinary message of God's powerful plan to rescue everyone who trusts him. **Romans 1:16 MSG**

Ask:
What is the good news?

Say: Jesus is God's good news!

Pray: Dear God, we want to be messengers of Your good news. Please show us how to share the love of Jesus with others. Amen.

Everyone

Story: Adopted

Bible Verse: Go into all the world and preach the good news to everyone. **Mark 16:15 NLT**

Ask:
Who is God's good news for?

Say: God's good news is for everyone!

Pray: Dear God, thank You that Your love and rescue plan is for ALL people! Please show us how to share this good news with everyone we meet. Amen.

Go and Tell

Story: The Call

Bible Verse: Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ. **1 Corinthians 11:1 NIV**

Ask:
What are some ways we can be an example of Christ?

Say: God calls me to go and tell others the good news!

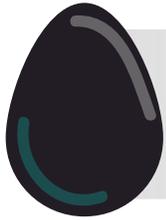
Pray: Dear God, we want to answer Your call to go and tell others the good news. Please give us the courage to be an example of Christ. Amen.

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The Easter Egg Gospel



BLACK represents our sin, which separates us from God.

"For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God's glorious standard."

Romans 3:23 NLT

RED represents the blood of Jesus, shed for us on the cross.

"[God] is so rich in kindness and grace that he purchased our freedom with the blood of his Son and forgave our sins."

Ephesians 1:7 NLT



BLUE represents the clean, new life we receive through God's gift of forgiveness.

"If we confess our sins, he will forgive our sins . . . he will make us clean from all the wrongs we have done."

1 John 1:9 ICB

WHITE represents the pure life we experience as we follow God's way.

"If we walk in the light, as he is in the light . . . the blood of Jesus purifies us from all sin."

1 John 1:7 NIV



GREEN represents our growing friendship with Jesus and the grace He gives.

"Now you are my friends . . . I chose you. I appointed you to go and produce lasting fruit . . ."

John 15:15-16 NLT

YELLOW represents the hope of Heaven, where we will one day live with God forever.

"For God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son. God gave his Son so that whoever believes in him may not be lost, but have eternal life."

John 3:16 ICB

