

Resurrection Eggs: The Easter Story

Egg #1 – (Baby) The baby helps us remember that Jesus was born in a manger many, many years ago. He was a baby, just like you were when you were born. (“God loved us and sent His Son.” 1 John 4:10)

Egg #2—(Seeds to plant) Jesus grew up and was a kid just like you. He learned to make good choices and understand God’s love. (“Jesus grew.” Luke 2:40)

Egg #3—(Palm Branch/Donkey) When Jesus was a man, he taught others about God’s love. That Palm Sunday he rode in on a donkey. The people waved palm branches and praised him singing, “Hosanna to the King”. The Bible tells us what Jesus said and did. (“Jesus went about doing good.” Acts 10:38, “Hosanna to the Son of David!” “Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Matthew 21:9)

Egg #4 – (Cup and Bread) After Jesus ate with his disciples. He asked them to remember him. Then he went to a garden to pray. (“*While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples..*” Matt 26:26)

Egg #5 – (Coin) One of Jesus’s helpers, Judas, showed the men how to find Jesus. He was given 30 pieces of silver to hand Jesus over. (“*...What are you willing to give me if I deliver him over to you?*” So they counted out for him thirty pieces of silver.” Matt 26:14)

Egg #6 – (Purple Cloth) Jesus didn’t do anything wrong, but the soldiers hurt Jesus and treated him like a criminal. They took Jesus’ clothes, put a purple robe on him and a crown of thorns on his head. They called him the “King of the Jews” to make fun of him. (“*They clothed him in a purple robe and went up to him again and again, saying, “Hail, king of the Jews!”*” John 19:2-3)

Egg #7 – (Cross) Though many people loved and followed Jesus, others did not like him so they had Jesus nailed to a cross. (“*There they crucified him, and with him two others—one on each side and Jesus in the middle.*” John 19:18)

Egg #8 – (Dice) Then the soldiers rolled dice to see who could have his belongings. As they played their game, Jesus died on the cross. (“*They divided my clothes among them and cast lots for my garment.*” John 19:24)

Egg #9—(Linen) After Jesus died, they wrapped his body in linen cloth. (“*Taking Jesus’ body, the two of them wrapped it, with the spices, in strips of linen.*” John 19:40)

Egg #10 – (Rock) They placed Jesus’ body in a tomb and rolled a large stone against the entrance so no one could get in or out. (“*...Then he rolled a stone against the entrance of the tomb.*” Mark 15:46)

Egg #11 – (Empty Egg) Three days later, Jesus’ friends went to visit the tomb, but when they got there it was empty, just as the egg is empty now because Jesus is alive! (“*They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus.*” Luke 24:2)

Egg #12 – (Heart) Our story ends with a heart! Jesus showed us how to love others by first loving us. He also wants you to love Him. That was God’s great plan--He sent His son to die and pay for our sin so we can live forever with him (“*For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever*

believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life" John 3:16).