





April 2010

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2 years to Kindergarten The story of Easter 1st ~ 5th grade The story of Easter John 20:11-18 Movie: It's Easter!						
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2 years to Kindergarten Jesus' return to heaven 1st ~ 5th grade Jesus appears to Thomas John 20:24-31	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> Visit with the Chicago Eagles </div> 					
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2 years to Kindergarten Jesus and a hungry crowd 1st ~ 5th grade Breakfast with Jesus John 21:1-14						
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2 years to Kindergarten Jesus and Zachaeus 1st ~ 5th grade Jesus ascends to heaven Matthew 28:16-20						



1 cup pecan halves
 1 teaspoon white vinegar
 3 egg whites
 Pinch of salt
 1 cup of sugar

Resurrection Cookies

- Preheat oven to 300 degrees.
 - Place pecans in a plastic freezer bag. Let your child break pecans to small pieces by beating them with a spoon. Explain that after Jesus was arrested, Roman soldiers beat him. Read John 10:1-3
 - Have everyone smell and taste the vinegar. Add vinegar to the bowl. Explain that Jesus was offered vinegar to drink while He hung on the cross. Read John 19:28-30
 - Add the egg white to the vinegar. Discuss that the eggs represent life. Explain that Jesus gave his life in order to give us life. Read John 10:10-11
 - Sprinkle the salt into your child's hand. Allow them to taste a tiny bit and shake the rest into the bowl. Explain that this represents the salty tears shed by Jesus' followers. Read Luke 23:27
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- Gradually add cup of sugar to the bowl while beating ingredients on high with a mixer. Explain that the sweetest part of the story is that Jesus died because He loves us. He wants us to know we belong to Him. Read John 3:16
- Beat the mixture with a mixer for 12 to 15 minutes until stiff peaks form. Peak will stand straight when beaters are removed. Share how the color white represents purity and how Jesus can cleanse us of our sins. Read Isaiah 1:18
- Fold in gently the nuts. Drop the mixture by teaspoon on a cookie sheet covered with wax paper. Explain that these mounds represent the rocky tomb where Jesus' body was laid. As evening approached, a rich man came from the town a Arimathea. His name was Joseph. He had become a follower of Jesus. He went to Pilate and asked for Jesus' body. Pilate ordered that it be given to him. Read Matthew 27:57-60
- Put the cookie sheet in the oven. Then close the door and turn the oven off immediately.
- Give your child a piece of tape to seal the tomb (oven door). Explain the fact that Jesus' tomb was sealed. Read Matthew 27:65-66
- Go to bed! Explain that your child may feel sad to leave the Resurrection cookies in the oven overnight. To a much greater extent Jesus' friends were sad when He died and was placed in the tomb. Read John 16:20 & 22
- Do not open the oven until the following morning. Allow your children to examine the Resurrection cookies. They will form small mounds and have a cracked side. When the children taste them, they will discover that the cookies are hollow representing that on the first Easter, Jesus' friends were surprised to find the tomb empty. Read Matthew 28:1-9

