

This Week's Theme: Easter Week

Today: Easter Story and Purple Day

Wednesday, April 8, 2020

Circle Time:

"Basic Circle Time" plus:

Review letters A-V; talk about their shapes and sounds.

Review list of words that start with these letters sounds.

Threes: Practice recognizing the letters A-V & continue tracing, if applicable.

Fours: Practice recognizing the letters A-V and review how to write them.

Show and Share: Show your Purple item.

Bible Time:

This week's theme is to continue the Easter Story.

Today's stories is "Sadness" and "Surprise!" in the Beginner's Bible.

Do both stories today so they know that Jesus is Alive!!

Review the Memory Verse: "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

Craft and Center Time:

1. Craft-Faith Necklace: Thread colored beads that represent the plan of salvation. Review Easter story with each bead. (Can wait until Drive-thru)
2. Make "Jesus is the Vine" craft. Jesus is the Vine that gives all of us New Life! Use a green crayon/marker to draw a Vine w leaves around the letter V. Then make purple grape clusters with your marker/paint.
3. Purple Coloring sheet.
4. Threes: Continue recognizing the letters 'A-V' .
5. Fours: Continue to recognize and write the letters 'A-V' & 'a-v'.

Center Ideas:

Suggested Books Ideas: "The Lily Parable" by Lizz Curtis Higgs

Activities:



Sadness

It was night.
Jesus took his friends to a garden.
There Jesus prayed.
And there Judas carried out his bad idea.
He led soldiers to the garden.
He showed them where Jesus was.
Jesus knew he would.
And it was all right.
Jesus went with them.

THE CRUCIFIXION, from John 18 & 19



You see, it was time for Jesus to die.
God had planned it long ago.
Jesus knew it would happen
when he came to the earth.
He came to take the punishment
for all the wrong things anybody
had ever done, or ever would do.
And now it was time.
The soldiers took him to the leaders.



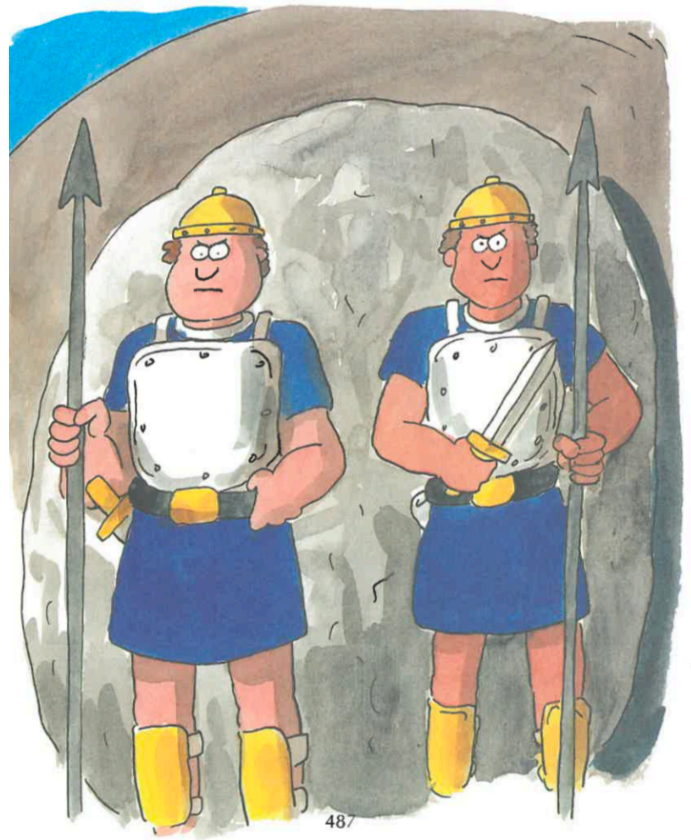
The leaders did not believe he was God's Son.
They said, "He must die, because
he calls himself the Son of God."
So they killed him on a cross.
It was a sad day for Jesus' friends.
But they did not know that God had planned
a wonderful surprise for them.
And they would not be sad for long!



Surprise!

After Jesus died, a rich man named Joseph took Jesus' body.
He put it in a special cave-tomb.
He rolled a huge stone over the opening of the cave.
The leaders sent guards to watch the cave to make sure no one took Jesus' body.

THE RESURRECTION, from Matthew 27 & 28



But early Sunday morning, there was an earthquake.
An angel came from heaven and rolled the stone away.
When the guards saw him, they shook with fear and fell down.

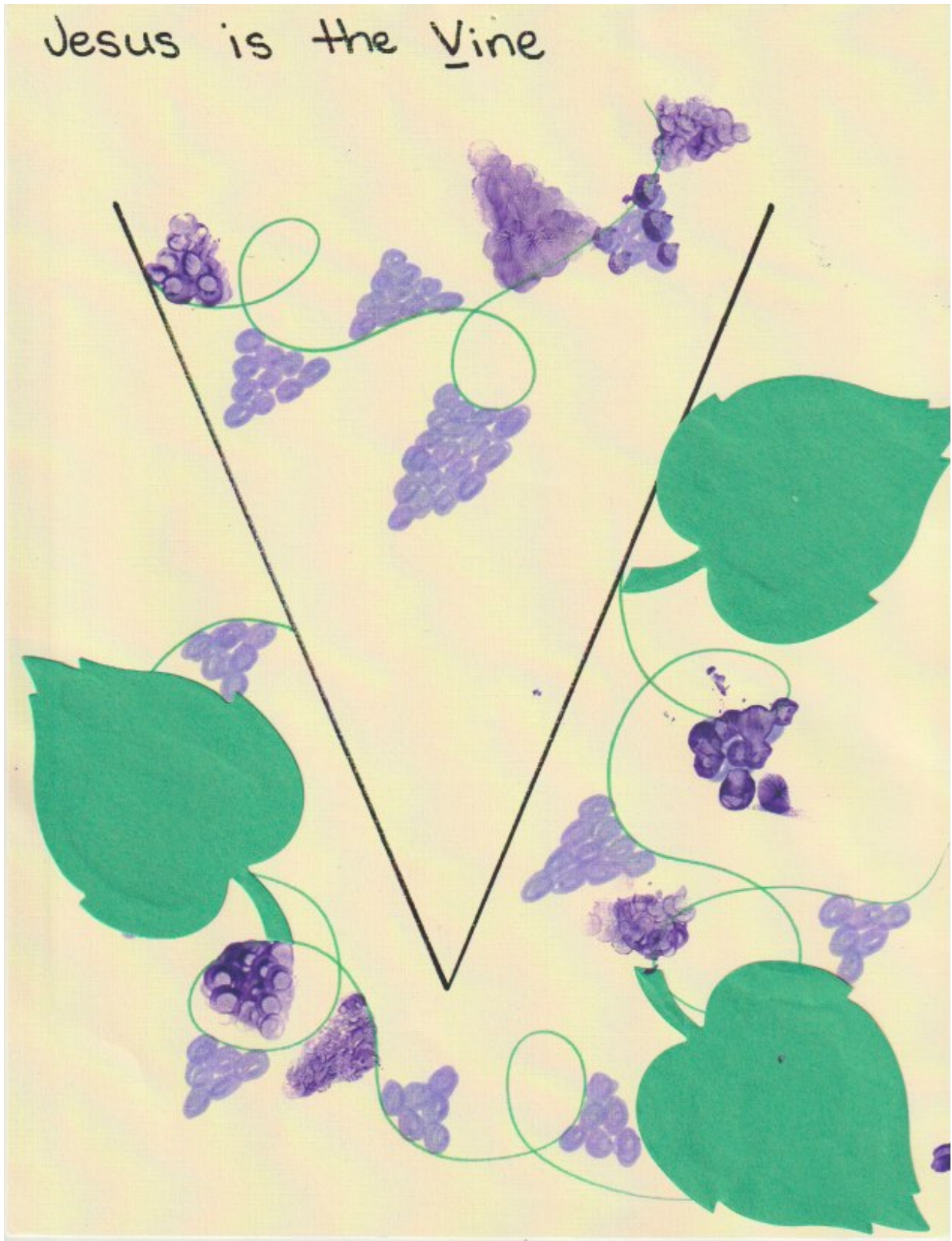


One of Jesus' friends named Mary came to the cave-tomb early that morning.
She saw the stone was not in front of it, so she went in.
She saw an angel there.
"Jesus is not here," the angel said.
"He is alive!
Go tell his friends that they will get to see him again!"

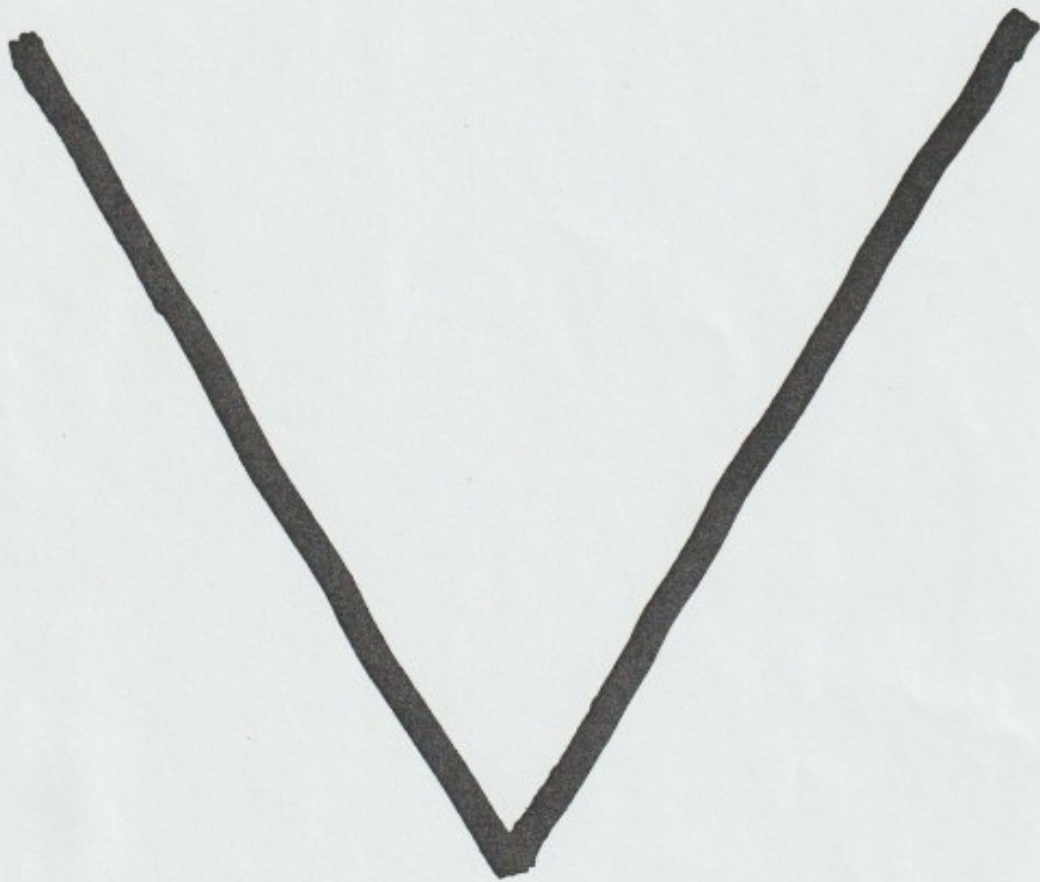


Mary was not sad anymore.
Jesus was not dead.
He was alive!
She ran back to tell the wonderful news.
At first, Jesus' friends did not believe her.
But she was right!
Jesus did come back to see them.
He really *was* alive!

Vine Sample



Jesus is the Vine



Name: _____

Perfectly Purple

Find and color the things God created that should be purple.

