



April 12th

Jesus put us first

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Elementary: K - 5th

Bible Story

Above All

Crucified and Rise

John 18:12-20; 23

Supporting John 16 & Matt 26

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FAMILY CHALLENGE

It's time for a challenge! This week make a batch of delicious treats (cookies, brownies, etc.) and then share them with a neighbor along with a card to brighten their day. Let's connect with one another! Post a photo and share with us! Mention us in your story @parkchurchnj.com or if you aren't on social media email it to [rebecca@parkchurchnj.com](mailto:rebecca@parkchurchnj.com) (if we have permission to share it please let me know!)

Discussion Questions Talk through the following:

- What is your favorite part about celebrating Easter?
- Even though the way we're celebrating Easter looks different this year, what does Easter mean to you?
- Why do we celebrate Easter? How did Jesus put us first?
- Why does Jesus putting us first mean that we need to put others first?
- What is one way you can put others first this week?

**PRAYER:** Dear God, thank you so much for the amazing, true story of Easter. It's the best news ever! We know that **we can trust you no matter what** because you send Jesus to rescue us. Jesus died on the cross so that we can have a relationship with you without our sin being in the way. And because Jesus is alive, we can be alive forever too! We are so thankful. Please help us to trust you ever day as we remember how Jesus put us first. We love you, amen."



Activity: Memory Verse Hunt

What you'll need: Paper, Easter Eggs, Baskets

WHAT YOU DO: Write out the memory verse and put ONE word in each Easter egg. Hide the eggs and go on a hunt, child(ren) must find every egg and then put the verse in order. \*If playing with multiple children use different color eggs.

WHAT TO SAY AFTER: "Our verse perfectly describes what happened on Easter when Jesus put us first and followed God's rescue plan for humanity.

Memory Verse:

**"Don't do anything only to get ahead. Don't do it because you are proud. Instead, be humble. Value others more than yourselves."** Philippians 2:3 NIV

Activity: Easter Egg Roundup

What you'll need: Easter eggs (ideally 5-10 per person)

WHAT YOU DO: Give out equal number of eggs, everyone, separates the halves of the eggs, keeping the bottom half and put the top half into a big pile. Mix the center pile and call out "GO." Have a race to see who can put their eggs back together the fastest.

For an added twist, divide your family into two teams and use your phone to time which team can put together ALL THE EGGS fastest.

After that, if you haven't already had an egg hunt today, do one now! Keep the same teams and have one hide the eggs - time the team searching for them! Then switch roles!

The Parent Cue App is a FREE app that you can use to bring the message home with you on a daily basis. It allows you to watch the weekly Bible story with your child in the comfort of your own home. This app is available both on the Apple IOS Store and the Google Play Store.

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1st - 3rd grade Thursday at 2pm and 4th-5th grades Wednesday at 6:30pm

