Jesus is Alive!

Level of Biblical Learning:

Jesus died on the cross and came back to life.

Acts 1:1-11

Parent Helps:

- Review the events of Passion Week with your child.
- Explain that after Jesus' death and resurrection, He spent 40 days on the earth with His followers. Many people saw Jesus alive!
- Read aloud today's passage. Emphasize that Jesus told His disciples to go tell the whole world about Him. Jesus wants everyone to know that He loves them!
- Tell your child that ascend means "to go up." Jesus' friends watched Jesus ascend (or go up) into the clouds as He returned to heaven.
- Re-read Acts 1:11. Explain that Jesus is alive in heaven and one day will return to the earth.

Discussion Questions:

Younger Kids:

- 1. Why is Easter special?
- 2. How do you celebrate that Jesus is alive?
- 3. Jesus said to tell others about Him. Whom can you tell?

Older Kids:

- 1. Why is it good news that Jesus is alive?
- 2. How can you obey Jesus' command to tell others about Him?
- 3. How does it make you feel to know that Jesus will return to earth one day?

Apply:

- We can tell others the good news we know about Jesus.
- Jesus' death and resurrection provided a way for people to be forgiven of sins. All people need and can receive God's forgiveness.
- Because Jesus is alive, Christians have the hope of eternal life in heaven.

Activity:

• Grab a blanket and head outside. Lie on the blanket and look at the clouds. Talk about the clouds—what they look like, how they move, or shapes you might see. Remind your child that the disciples watched Jesus ascend (go up) into the clouds as He returned to heaven. Imagine what it may have been like to see such an awesome event!

Pray Together:

- Thank God for His Son, Jesus!
- Praise God that Jesus is alive and one day will return to the earth.
- Ask God to give your family opportunities to tell the good news about Jesus.