



**March 31, 2024, Easter Sunday**

**John 20:1-18 or Mark 16:1-8**

*Use this resource at home to guide your household's daily devotions.*



**Pray:** Light a candle and open your devotion time with a prayer.

Risen God, Good Friday grief has given way to Easter joy! Cheer our hearts with the good news of your resurrection, O Lord, and drive us forth to proclaim it to the world. In your name we pray. Amen.



**Read:** Read the key verse from Sunday's reading.

*Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.* (John 20:18)



**Reflect:** Reflect on the scripture summary.

In both of our Gospel texts this Easter morning—the account from John and the account from Mark—the urgency and importance of witness is at the center of everything.



**Connect:** Connect in conversation with others in your household.

- What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?
- Does good news have more credibility when coming from a particular source? Who would be the most believable?
- Has there ever been good news you were excited to share? What was it? Who did you tell?
- For the littles: What's better when it's empty? The tomb was empty, and that meant Jesus had been raised from the dead!



**Bless:** Close your devotion with a blessing.

May the God who rose from the dead lift your spirit and enliven your heart. Amen.



**Do:** By acting on what we learn, we make God's word come alive. Do the following activity this week.

Bring the promise of new life to others. Bring spring potted plants to the homebound of your community to share the gift of life with them!



**Go Deeper:** Read and reflect on the readings for each day of the week.

Monday, Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; Genesis 1:1-19; 1 Corinthians 15:35-49  
Tuesday, Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; Genesis 1:20-2:4a; 1 Corinthians 15:50-58  
Wednesday, Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; Song of Solomon 3:1-11; Mark 16:1-8  
Thursday, Psalm 133; Daniel 1:1-21; Acts 2:42-47  
Friday, Psalm 133; Daniel 2:1-23; Acts 4:23-31  
Saturday, Psalm 133; Daniel 2:24-49; John 12:44-50