

### Friends of Jesus and Mary Amigos de Jesús y María



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Third Sunday of Easter-April 15, 2018

Acts 3: 13-15.17-19; Psalm 42.7.9;1 John 2: 1-5; Luke 24: 35-48

#### **Jesus is the Messiah**

The two then explained to them what had happened on the road, and how they had recognized the Lord when he broke the bread. While the two were telling them this, suddenly the Lord himself stood among them and said to them," Peace be with you." They were terrified, thinking that they were seeing a ghost. But he said to them, "Why are you alarmed? Why are these doubts coming up in your minds? Look at my hands and my feet and see that it is I myself. Feel me, and you will know, for a ghost doesn't have flesh and bones, as you can see, I have." He said this and showed them his hands and his feet. They still could not believe, they were so full of joy and wonder; so, he asked them, "Do you have anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of cooked fish, which he took and ate in their presence. Then he said to them, "These are the very things I told you about while I was still with you: everything written about me in the Law of Moses, the writings of the prophets, and the Psalms had to come true." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures and said to them. "This is what is written: The Messiah must suffer and must rise from death three days later, and in his name the message about repentance and the forgiveness of sins must be preached to all nations, beginning in Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things."

### **Reflection and Activity**

How does Jesus greet them? (Peace be with you. Jesus' presence gives us peace in our hearts.) Jesus wanted them to know, that He was with them, not only in Spirit, but in body also. What did He do to prove it? (He showed them the scars on His hands and feet and told them to touch them. He also ate fish with them.) Why was it so important for them to believe this? (He explained to them what was written: "The Messiah must suffer and must rise from death three days later." He wanted them to be completely sure that He was the Messiah that Moses, the prophets, and the psalms announced.) Why? (He wanted them to be the witnesses of God's love and mercy to the world.) What did they



**need to announce to everyone?** (Because He loves us so much, God sent His son, Jesus, to die on the cross for the forgiveness of our sins. He resurrected on the third day, victorious over death. Return to God with a repentant heart and be saved.) **How can we be witnesses for Jesus?** (Imitating Him by praying, helping others, sharing our things, forgiving, and announcing what He did for us.)

#### **Prayer**

Lord, when you are with us, we have peace, joy and consolation. Help us to be witnesses of your love by always loving, forgiving, and helping others. Amen

Song: I Believe, Song Video, <a href="https://youtu.be/s\_x3dnHLg30">https://youtu.be/s\_x3dnHLg30</a>

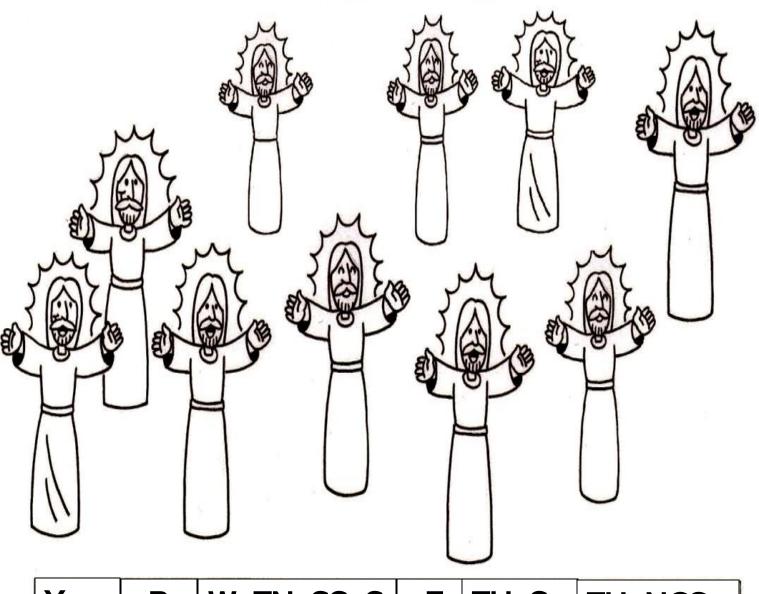
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In this game, 3 drawings of resurrected Jesus are the same. Which are they? Color.



Y\_ \_ R\_ W\_TN\_SS\_S \_F TH\_S\_ TH\_NGS

Add the vowels to see the message Jesus gives to His Apostles.





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#### **Proclaim the Gospel – Accordion Book**

#### Instructions:

- 1-Color and cut each numbered picture and cover and end separately.
- 2-Fold a colored construction paper (8.5x11") right side to left side; fold again.
- 3-Cut the 4 strips of paper and fold each strip in half 2 times.
- 4-Refold as an accordion, first in one direction, then in the other direction until you have 4 rectangles.
- 5-Glue the pictures, starting with the cover to the 4th rectangle on the right;
- 6-Turn the strip over and glue the numbered pages from left to right.
- 7-Turn over again, and glue the THANK YOU JESUS, on the far-left rectangle. Share the Gospel with your friends.



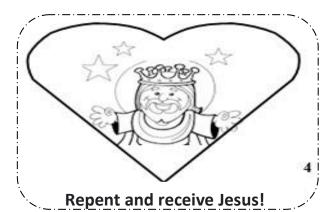
### THE GOSPEL OF POWER

For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes.

Romans 1:16



...to die on the cross and thus pay for my sins.





For Love, God became man...



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THANK YOU. JESUS!

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