

FAITH FORMATION AT HOME - HOLY WEEK

BRIEF FAITH ACTIVITIES TO DO AT HOME.

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Easter Cupcakes

Read the story of Jesus' resurrection in the Gospel of Luke, followed by a sweet treat that serves as a reminder that Jesus is the light of the world—a light that can never be put out.

This can be done on Good Friday, Holy Saturday or even Easter Sunday)
YOU WILL NEED: Bible or Bible App, cupcake ingredients, candles (optional: trick relighting candles), matches/lighter

Preparations: Make and decorate cupcakes as a family or buy ready-made cupcakes
Review Luke 24:1-12 and John 8:12

PRAY: *Dear Lord, open our ears and hearts to hear and understand the story of your resurrection. Thank you for being the light that leads us. Amen.*

READ: Designate someone in your family to read Luke 24:1-12 aloud, the story of Jesus' resurrection.

ACTIVITY:

- Bring out a cupcake, with a candle, for each person.
- Light the candles (consider turning off the lights for this), and talk about how Jesus came to be the light of the world during his time on earth. In John 8:12, Jesus said: *"I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."*
- Turn the conversation to Good Friday. On the day Jesus died on the cross, it looked like that light had been blown out. Blow out the candles and wait quietly.

If you used relighting candles: As the candles relight, celebrate! Nothing can ever snuff out Jesus as the light of the world. Just like the candle on your cupcake, his light came back and it's up to us to make sure it always burns brightly. Can others see the light of Christ in you?

If you used regular candles: Talk about how even in dark times, when the disciples were worried about Jesus being gone, there was a promise of joy and hope to come (the cupcake). Ask your family how, when hope seems hard to find and darkness fills the world, how they can be bearers of light.

- Finish by singing a favorite song about Light. For example: "This Little Light of Mine" (dancing, while optional, is encouraged!), *This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine This little light of mine I'm gonna let it shine Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.*

- Enjoy the delicious cupcakes together to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus and the promise of hope to come.