

# Lesson 13

The Living Wonder  
Mark 15:16–16:8

## ACTIVITIES

Choose from the following activities and crafts to help connect Bible learning to life.

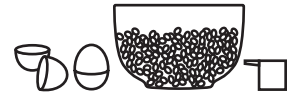
### Jelly Bean Snack

Use jelly beans to teach God’s plan of salvation: **Purple reminds us of our sin. Red reminds us that Jesus shed His blood to pay for our sins. White reminds us that Jesus rose. Blue reminds us that Jesus gives us a home in heaven.**



### Easter Egg Fun

Set a tub of rice on a towel with plastic Easter eggs and scoops. Show children how to open the eggs and scoop and pour the rice. Talk about how the eggs and scoops are full and empty. Say, **On Good Friday, Jesus died and was put in a tomb. On Easter, His tomb was empty!** *Option:* Hide “surprises” in the rice for children to find. Talk about God’s Easter surprise.



### Beanbag Balance

Provide a beanbag for children. Talk about how Jesus carried the cross on His back. Have them carry the beanbags on their back. Say, **It was tricky to carry our beanbags. But it was harder for Jesus to carry the cross. Then, hardest of all, He died on the cross to pay for our sins! But Jesus didn’t stay dead. What happened on Easter? Yes, He came alive.** Toss the beanbags in the air and shout, “Alleluia!”



### Active Review

Say, **When Jesus died, the sky got dark and the ground shook.** Have children pretend to be the ground shaking and rumbling. (*Stamp feet and pat legs.*) Say, **Jesus’ friends put Him in a tomb and rolled a stone in front of it.** Have children pretend to be the stone by rolling on the ground. **It was there one, two, three days. On Easter morning, the earth began to shake again.** (*Rumble and shake.*) **God sent an angel to roll the stone away.** Have children roll back to their original spot. **Surprise! Jesus is alive!**

