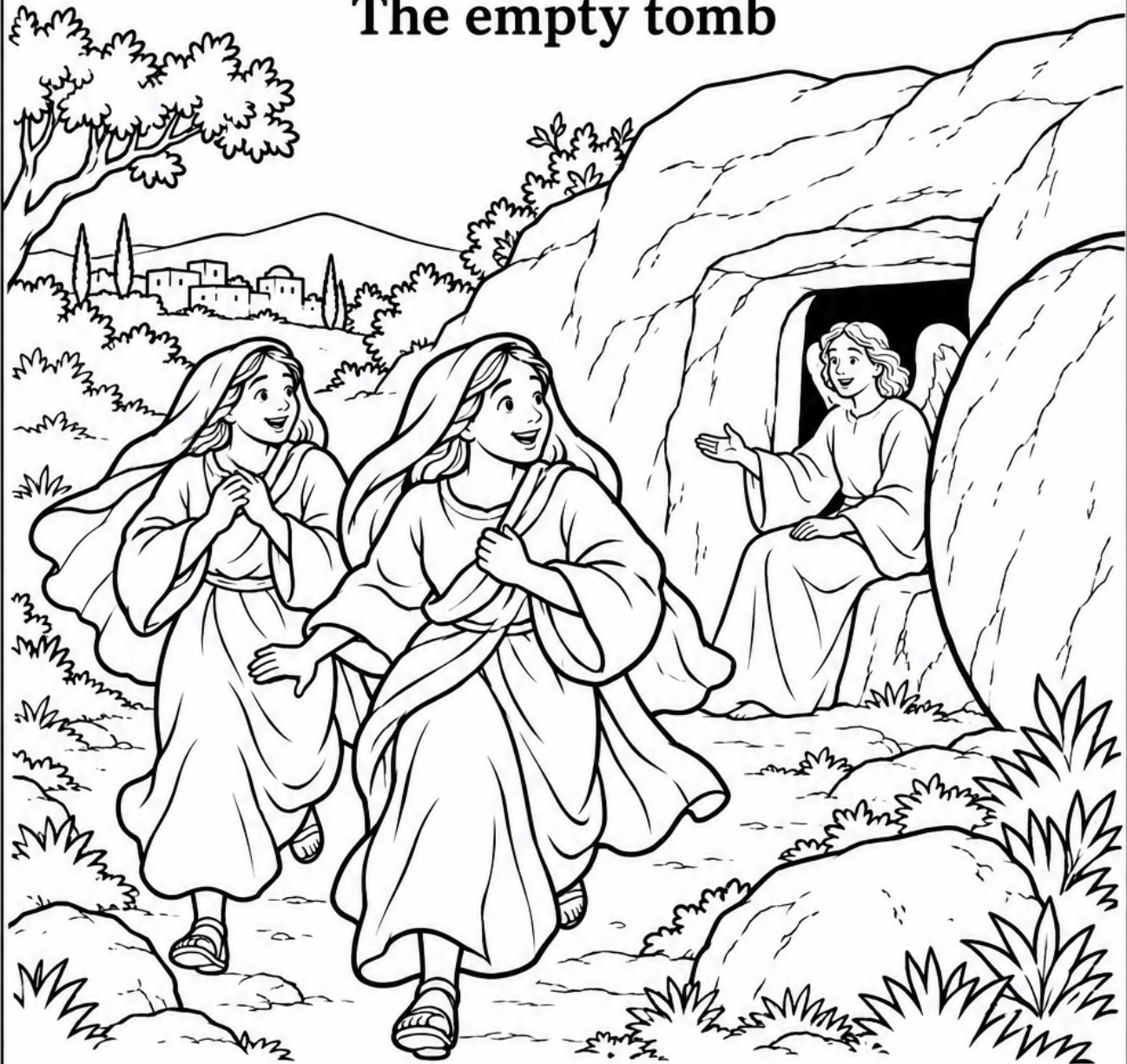


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The empty tomb



The women leave the empty tomb with fear and great joy.

Matthew 28:5-8

THINK ABOUT THE STORY

How did the women leave the sepulchre after hearing the angel (Matthew 28:5-8)?

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Matthew 26-28

Name _____ Date _____

Read & think

READ IN ORDER

1. Matthew 26

2. Matthew 27

3. Matthew 28

MAIN POINTS

- Jesus prayed to the Father and did what the Father wanted, even when it was very hard (Matthew 26:39-46).
- Peter thought he was strong, but Jesus told him to watch and pray (Matthew 26:33-41).
- People treated Jesus wrongly, yet several people said he was innocent or the Son of God (Matthew 27:3-4, 19, 54).
- Jesus rose, met the women, and sent them to tell the disciples about Galilee (Matthew 28:1-10).
- Jesus sent his followers to teach people everywhere and promised to be with them (Matthew 28:18-20).

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

1. What did the woman pour on Jesus while He ate in Bethany (Matthew 26:6-7)?

Matthew 26:26-28

2. Which sign did Judas use to show the armed crowd whom to seize (Matthew 26:47-50)?

Matthew 26:36-47

3. Jesus asked his friends to watch and pray, but they fell asleep (Matthew 26:36-46). What hard thing can you ask God to help you do?

Matthew 26:36-46

MEMORY VERSE / Matthew 28:6

The women come to Jesus' tomb and hear the joyful news that he has risen (Matthew 28:1-7).

WEB

He is not here, for he has risen, just like he said. Come, see the place where the Lord was lying.

KJV

He is not here: for he is risen, as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.

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Matthew 26-28

Name _____ Date _____

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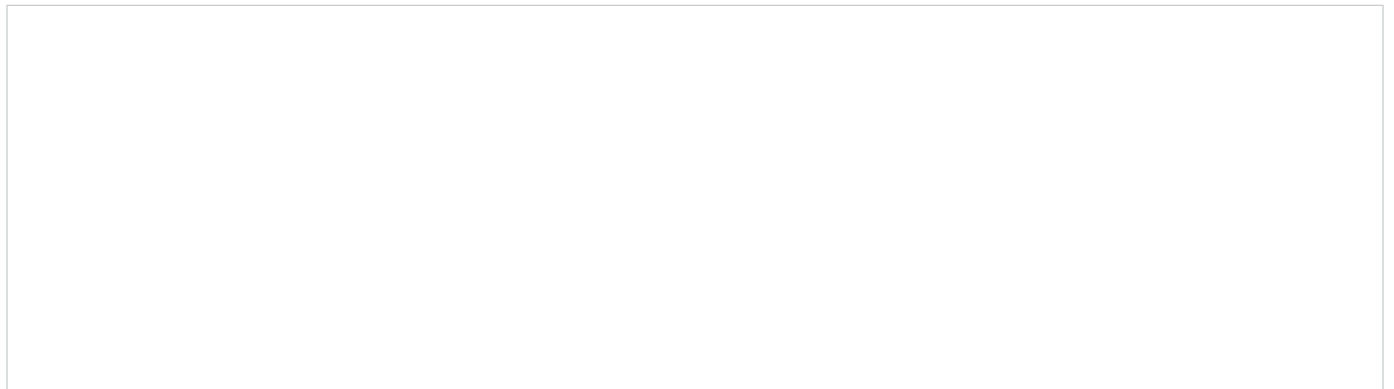
Waymark 71 / Younger children

Main verse _____ Bonus verse(s) _____

Passage or verse _____

WHAT I NOTICED

DRAW SOMETHING YOU WANT TO REMEMBER



ONE THING I WANT TO TRY

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Matthew 26-28

Name _____ Date _____

Read & think

READ IN ORDER

1. Matthew 26

2. Matthew 27

3. Matthew 28

MAIN POINTS

- Jesus understood the path ahead, submitted his will to the Father, rejected violence, and allowed Scripture to be fulfilled (Matthew 26:1-2, 39-56).
- Peter's confidence gave way to sleep, flight, and denial, showing why Jesus' command to watch and pray is necessary (Matthew 26:33-46, 56, 69-75).
- Matthew records multiple witnesses to Jesus' innocence and identity beside the choices that condemned him (Matthew 27:3-4, 19, 22-24, 54).
- The sealed tomb and its watch could not prevent the resurrection announcement, the women's worship, or their message to the disciples (Matthew 27:62-66; 28:1-10).
- Jesus' authority and continuing presence support the mission to teach, baptize, and teach obedience among all nations (Matthew 28:18-20).

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

1. What did the chief priests purchase with the silver Judas returned (Matthew 27:3-10)?

Matthew 26:26-28

2. Which accusation was written above Jesus when He was crucified (Matthew 27:35-38)?

Matthew 26:36-47

3. Peter felt sure of himself, but Jesus told him to watch and pray (Matthew 26:33-46). Where do you need prayer more than confidence, and what faithful step can you take?

Matthew 26:33-46

MEMORY VERSE / Matthew 28:6

The angel announces Jesus' resurrection to the women and points them toward the promised meeting in Galilee (Matthew 28:1-7).

WEB

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KJV

He is not here: for he is risen, as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.

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Matthew 26-28
Name _____ Date _____

Notes

Waymark 71 / Preteen

Main verse _____ Bonus verse(s) _____

Passage or verse _____

NOTES

ONE THING TO PUT INTO PRACTICE

PRAYER

Cross & Resurrection

Matthew 26-28

Name _____ Date _____

Read & think

READ IN ORDER

1. Matthew 26

2. Matthew 27

3. Matthew 28

MAIN POINTS

- Jesus knew the path ahead, prayed honestly in Gethsemane, rejected armed rescue, and submitted to the Father's will and Scripture (Matthew 26:1-2, 39-56).
- Peter's confidence did not prevent sleep, flight, and denial, which gives urgency to Jesus' command to watch and pray (Matthew 26:33-46, 56, 69-75).
- Judas's confession, Pilate's wife's warning, Pilate's own question, and the watchers' response expose the injustice surrounding Jesus' death (Matthew 27:3-4, 19, 22-24, 54).
- The secured tomb did not prevent the resurrection announcement, the women's meeting with Jesus, or their worship and witness (Matthew 27:62-66; 28:1-15).
- The risen Jesus joins universal authority, a mission to all nations, baptism, obedient teaching, and his promised presence (Matthew 28:16-20).

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

1. The disciples called the woman's ointment waste, but Jesus called her action a good work connected with his burial. How should this challenge quick judgments about another person's faithful act (Matthew 26:6-13)?
Matthew 26:6-13
2. Peter promised extraordinary faithfulness but later slept, fled, and denied Jesus. What does Jesus' command to watch and pray add to good intentions (Matthew 26:33-46, 56, 69-75)?
Matthew 26:33-46
3. In Gethsemane, Jesus expressed deep sorrow, asked whether the cup could pass, and submitted to the Father's will (Matthew 26:36-46). What fear or temptation do you need to bring honestly to God before choosing obedience?
Matthew 26:36-46

MEMORY VERSE / Matthew 26:39

In Gethsemane, Jesus brings his sorrow to the Father and submits his own will while the disciples struggle to watch and pray (Matthew 26:36-46).

WEB

He went forward a little, fell on his face, and prayed, saying, "My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass away from me; nevertheless, not what I desire, but what you desire."

KJV

And he went a little further, and fell on his face, and prayed, saying, O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou wilt.

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Matthew 26-28

Name _____ Date _____

Notes

Waymark 71 / Teen

Main verse _____ Bonus verse(s) _____

Passage or verse _____

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ONE THING TO PUT INTO PRACTICE

PRAYER

Cross & Resurrection

Matthew 26-28

Name _____ Date _____

Read & think

READ IN ORDER

1. Matthew 26

2. Matthew 27

3. Matthew 28

MAIN POINTS

- Jesus knowingly approached crucifixion, submitted his will to the Father, rejected armed deliverance, and insisted that Scripture be fulfilled (Matthew 26:1-2, 39-56).
- Peter's self-assurance did not prevent sleep, flight, and denial, sharpening Jesus' warning to watch and pray against temptation (Matthew 26:33-46, 56, 69-75).
- Matthew juxtaposes testimony to Jesus' innocence and identity with the decisions of Judas, the leaders, Pilate, the multitude, and the soldiers (Matthew 27:1-31, 54).
- The leaders' sealed tomb and later payment to the watch frame, but do not halt, the women's discovery, encounter, worship, and message (Matthew 27:62-66; 28:1-15).
- The risen Jesus grounds the mission to teach, baptize, and form obedient learners among all nations in his universal authority and abiding presence (Matthew 28:16-20).

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

1. The disciples called the woman's ointment waste, but Jesus called her action a good work connected with his burial. How should this challenge quick judgments about another person's faithful act (Matthew 26:6-13)?

Matthew 26:6-13

2. Peter promised extraordinary faithfulness but later slept, fled, and denied Jesus. What does Jesus' command to watch and pray add to good intentions (Matthew 26:33-46, 56, 69-75)?

Matthew 26:33-46

3. Jesus joined honest anguish, persistent prayer, and submission to the Father's will in Gethsemane (Matthew 26:36-46). Where has self-assurance replaced watchful prayer, and what concrete obedience should follow renewed dependence on God?

Matthew 26:36-46

MEMORY VERSE / Matthew 28:18,19

The risen Jesus states the authority behind his commission before directing the eleven to teach and baptize all nations (Matthew 28:16-19).

WEB

Jesus came to them and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to me in heaven and on earth. Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

KJV

And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

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Matthew 26-28

Name _____ Date _____

Notes

Waymark 71 / Adult

Main verse _____ Bonus verse(s) _____

Passage or verse _____

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ONE THING TO PUT INTO PRACTICE

PRAYER
