

Resurrection Eggs

A Fun Way to Tell Your Children the Easter Story

You can purchase a complete set of Resurrection Eggs, but putting them together with your kids can be part of the fun. Here's the steps:

- Save an empty egg carton.
 - Purchase 12 small plastic Easter eggs in different colors. Make sure they are a size that will fit inside your egg carton.
 - Number the eggs 1 through 12 with a permanent marker.
 - Collect the items below and put them into the correct number egg.
1. **Small leaves** – The people waved palm branches and praised God when Jesus entered Jerusalem riding on a donkey. Matthew 21:6-9 (Zech 9:9)
 2. **Cotton ball w/ perfume** – Jesus is anointed for burial. Matthew 26:6-13
 3. **Small piece of bread or cracker** – Jesus shared the Passover meal with His disciples Matthew 26:17-19 (Exodus 12:23)
 4. **3 dimes** – Judas betrayed Jesus for 30 pieces of silver. Matt 26:14-15 (Zech 11:12)
 5. **Small leather strip or piece of rope** – Soldiers used a whip to beat Jesus with 39 lashes. Matthew 27:26 (Isaiah 50:6)
 6. **Purple cloth** – The soldiers mocked King Jesus by putting a “royal robe” and crown of thorns on Him. Matthew 27:28-30
 7. **3 small nails** – One was driven into Jesus’ feet and one into each hand to nail Him to the cross. Matthew 27:31 (Psalm 22:16)
 8. **One Die** – The soldiers divided Jesus’ clothing among them and gambled for the seamless undergarment. Matthew 27:35 (Psalm 22:17-18)
 9. **Piece of Sponge** – The soldiers soaked a sponge in wine vinegar mixed with gall and offered it to Jesus to drink. Matthew 27:48 (Psalm 69:21)
 10. **Gauze** – After Jesus died, Joseph of Arimathea wrapped His body in a clean linen cloth, placed it in his own tomb, and sealed the entrance with a large stone. Matthew 27:57-61 (Isaiah 53:9)
 11. **Rock** – On Sunday morning, the women who followed Jesus went to the tomb and discovered the stone had been rolled away. Matthew 28:1-3
 12. **Empty egg** – These women saw an angel who told them Jesus had risen from the dead. The tomb was empty! Matthew 28:4-7 (Psalm 16:10)

Suggestions for using the Resurrection Eggs:

- Refresh your own memory of the Easter story. To prepare read Matthew 21:1-11; Matthew 26:1 - 28:7. Now you're ready to tell the kids just the basics.
- Use them for an egg hunt. After the children find them all, tell the Easter story. As you get to each number ask the child who found that egg to open it to reveal the item inside.
- As you tell the story, pass the full carton of eggs among the children and have them take turns opening the correct one at the right time.