

Extension Activity 12

Alleluia!

FOCUS

1. Jesus died and rose again.
2. On Easter Sunday we celebrate Jesus rising to new life.

During lesson time your child:

- *listened to the story of Mary Magdalene finding the empty tomb on the first Easter Sunday.*
- *learned that the word Alleluia is a word of happiness.*
- *discussed how they celebrate easter with his or her family.*

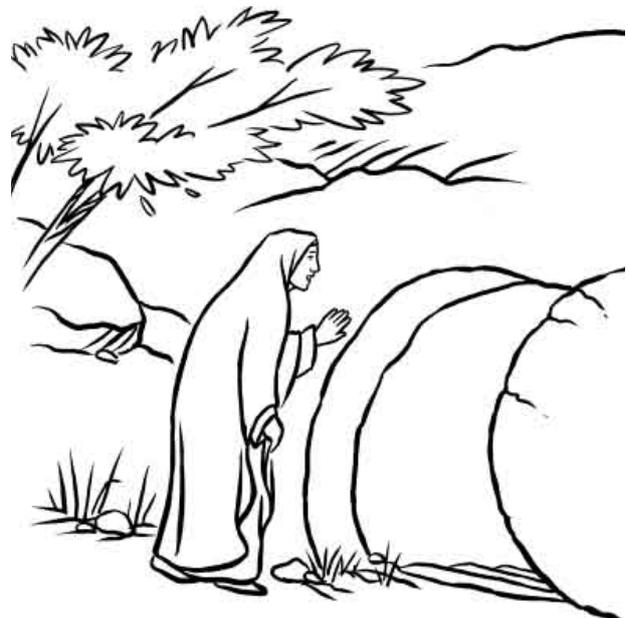
On the very first Easter Sunday morning some women who were friends of Jesus hurried along a path. They were on their way to the cave to find Jesus' body. They knew a big stone had been rolled in front of the cave. "Oh! Look at that," said Mary Magdalene. The other women looked to where she was pointing. The huge stone had been moved away. When they went inside the body of Jesus was not there.

Suddenly two men in shining clothes came and told them that Jesus was alive again. The women were amazed. Two of them hurried off, but Mary Magdalene stayed behind. She sat down in the shade to think. She did not understand what had happened and she was very sad because she had not found Jesus.

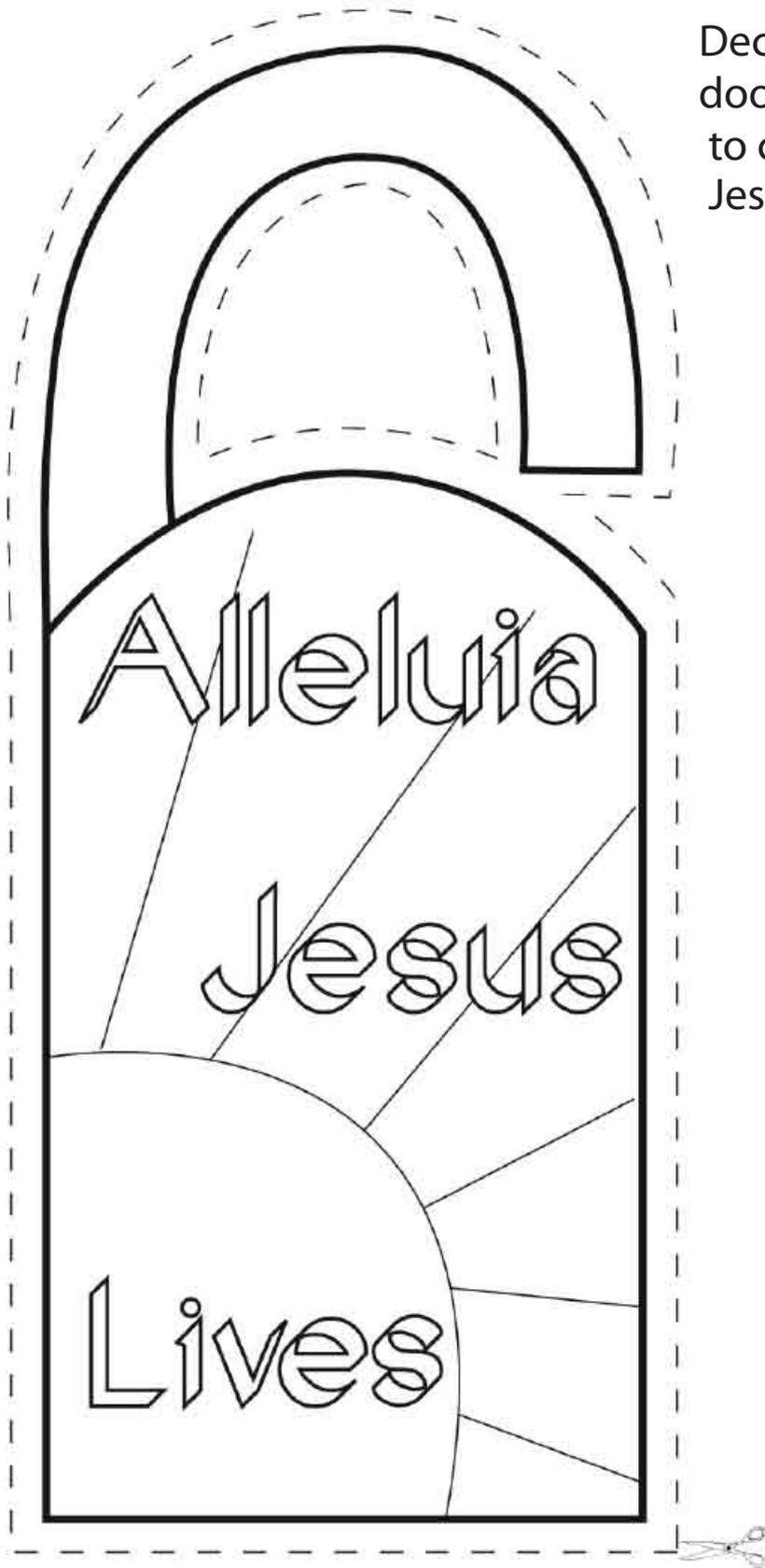
SUGGESTED HOME ACTIVITIES

These are some suggested activities to do at home with your child.

1. Read and discuss the Bible story about Jesus' resurrection.
2. Take your child to Mass on Easter Sunday and show him or her the Cross draped with cloth, representing the risen Jesus.
3. Talk to your child about the happiness of seeing someone after a long absence e.g. overseas. Relate this happiness to the joy felt by Mary Magdalene.



Decorate and place this door hanger in your house to celebrate Easter. Jesus is alive. Alleluia!



To Remember:

Alleluia! Jesus is alive. Alleluia!