



**Series:** Easter 2026

**Big Point:** Jesus Saves Me!

**Verse:** John 3:16 - "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life."

**Question:** When we mess up, who saves us?



Small Group  
Connection Time  
and Opening Activity



Large Group  
Intro, Game, Worship,  
and Video Message



Small Group  
Discussion Time  
and Closing Activity

## Small Group Connection Time

15 min.

### Connect:

- Build relationships with the kids in your small group through fun, games, and coloring.
- Memorize kids names, learn about their hobbies, and listen to their stories.
- Ask about highlights from their weeks.

### Discuss:

- Sit down together. Welcome kids by name.
- Show the picture cards one at a time to the group. Ask kids to help describe the pictures:
  - Flatirons Frank
  - Scribble Heart
  - Cross
  - Stone Rolled Away
- "Remember what our pictures are. Look for them in our Bible story video!"

## Small Group Opening Activity

13 min.

### Game: Wiggle Simon Says

- **What you DO:** Instruct kids to wiggle different body parts - head, fingers, arms, legs, ears. If/when kids move when Simon doesn't say, say "uh oh! Simon didn't say!"
- **What you SAY:** "Sometimes I feel wiggle in my tummy when you are worried or when I make a wrong choice. Have you felt that way before? Let's go hear what we can do when that happens. Follow me to story time!"

## Small Group Discussion

7 min.

### Review:

- Review today's Big Point and Memory Verse
- Retell the story with the Story Cards:
  - Flatirons Frank - Frank had some new shiny markers!
  - Scribble Heart - Frank chose to do the wrong thing and draw on the walls.
  - Cross - Jesus took the punishment for the wrong things we do, and died on the cross.
  - Stone Rolled Away - God is so powerful that he raised Jesus back to life after 3 days!

### Ask:

- Have you ever had a heavy wiggly feeling after doing something wrong like Frank?
- Since Jesus never did anything wrong, why did He take the "time-out" for the wrong things (sins) we do?
- If we tell Jesus we are sorry and ask to be His friend, what does He say to us every single time?

## Small Group Closing Activity

8 min.

### Game: Roll the Stone Game

- What you DO: Use a soft ball for the stone. Roll the ball to one kid. Everyone says "The stone rolled away!" When the kid catches the ball, everyone shouts, "Jesus Saves Me!"

### Takeaway: Bracelet

- **Supplies:** pipe cleaner (1 per kid), Beads: cross, heart, and circle shapes
- **What to DO:** Encourage kids to make a bracelet to help remember the Easter story. The cross reminds us that Jesus died, the heart of Jesus love, the circle that the tomb is empty and Jesus is alive!

### Pray:

- Close in prayer by thanking God for your group.