

# Easter Cupcakes

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Read the story of Jesus' resurrection in the Gospel of Luke, followed by a sweet treat that serves as a reminder that Jesus is the light of the world—a light that can never be put out.

## For

Young Family

## Season

Spring, Easter Sunday

## Needed

Bible (or refer to next page for text), cupcake, trick relighting candles, matches or lighter

## Prepare in Advance

- Make and decorate cupcakes (if time allows), or buy ready-made cupcakes
- Review Luke 24:1-12
- Review John 8:12

## Activity Plan

1. Say this prayer aloud to begin.  
*Dear Lord, open our ears and hearts to hear and understand the story of your resurrection. Thank you for being the light that leads us. Amen.*
2. Designate someone in your group to read Luke 24:1-12 aloud, the story of Jesus' resurrection. If there is a child (children) comfortable reading from the Bible, give them the honors.
3. Bring out a cupcake, with a candle, for each person.
4. Light the candles (consider turning off the lights for this, if it won't scare your children), and talk about how Jesus came to be the light of the world during his time on earth. In John 8:12, Jesus said: "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."
5. Turn the conversation to Good Friday. On the day Jesus died on the cross, it looked like that light had been blown out. Blow out the candles and wait quietly.
6. As the candles relight, celebrate! Nothing can ever snuff out Jesus as the light of the world. Just like the candle on your cupcake, his light came back and it's up to us to make sure it always burns brightly. Can others see the light of Christ in you?
7. Finish by singing "This Little Light of Mine" (dancing, while optional, is encouraged!).  
*This little light of mine,  
I'm gonna let it shine  
This little light of mine  
I'm gonna let it shine  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.*



## The Resurrection of Jesus

### Luke 24:1-12

But at daybreak on the first day of the week they took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb; but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus.

While they were puzzling over this, behold, two men in dazzling garments appeared to them. They were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground.

They said to them, “Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but he has been raised. Remember what he said to you while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners and be crucified, and rise on the third day.”

And they remembered his words.

Then they returned from the tomb and announced all these things to the eleven and to all the others.

The women were Mary Magdalene, Joanna, and Mary, the mother of James; the others who accompanied them also told this to the apostles, but their story seemed like nonsense and they did not believe them.

But Peter got up and ran to the tomb, bent down, and saw the burial cloths alone; then he went home amazed at what had happened.

