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Unit 4 – Session 19 – Jesus Rose from the Dead on Easter Sunday

Parents,

This week is the Resurrection of Jesus. Here is some vocabulary that may help you. This is not for your child but to help you as you explain this session to them.

- Creed – A statement of belief. We profess our faith in the Trinity and what the Church believes and teachers every time we pray the Nicene or Apostle's Creed.
- Glorified Body – A human body that is completely filled with divine glory and is not bound by time or space. When Jesus rose from the dead He had a glorified body. If we have lived faithful lives, we, too, will have a glorified body at the resurrection of our bodies at the end of time.
- Resurrection – Coming back to life. Jesus came back to life, body and soul, on the third day after His Death on the Cross. His Resurrection defeated sin and death so that we might someday go to Heaven and live eternally with God.
- To Redeem – To atone for, to release someone from blame or debt, or to release someone from captivity. Jesus freed us from our debt to sin by His Sacrifice on the Cross.

The students should learn

- The Resurrection of Jesus is a real, historical event with many eyewitnesses to the Risen Christ.
- The Risen Christ is truly Jesus; His body still bears the marks of His Passion, yet He has been changed and now possesses a glorified body, filled with the Holy Spirit and showing forth the full power of God.
- The Resurrection promises our own resurrection at the end of time.

Here is what you need to do this week.

- Work with your child on online activity for Unit 4 Lesson 19 Resurrection Accounts.
 - You will read the Gospel account and then put statements about the Gospel in order.
 - Once all of them are done, then talk to your child about what's different about the various accounts. (examples, Mary Magdalene was with different people in the different accounts, there was an earthquake in one of the accounts...)
 - Then talk about what they have in common.
 - Finally talk about what we can conclude from the similarities. (All agree that on the third day a miraculous event occurred and that Jesus' tomb was empty. Jesus' Resurrection was a real historical event witnessed by many people.)
- The Incredulity of Saint Thomas (Page 168)
 - Ask your child the following questions.
 - What do you first notice about this picture?
 - How does the picture make you feel?
 - Who are the people in the painting? (The Risen Jesus, St. Thomas the Apostle, and two other Apostles)
 - What do you think is happening in this painting? (St. Thomas is placing his finger in the wound of Jesus; side while the other Apostles look on.
 - Read John 20:19-31 to your child
 - In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you. 'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.' After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they

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are retained.' Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe'. Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him: 'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.' There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

- How does the painting show the Gospel story?
 - Incredulity means disbelief. How does the picture show that Thomas did not believe?
 - How would you describe Jesus in this painting? Does He appear to be willingly allowing St. Thomas to test whether Jesus is really there?
 - Explain that in real life, humans typically do not rise from the dead or come back to life. But Jesus who is God and showed that He is God performed miracles including raising people from the dead. He has power over all things. He had the power to raise Himself from the dead and come back to life. Even though it is a historical fact, it still takes faith to believe in Jesus.
 - Explain that the Risen Jesus is really Jesus. He is not a ghost. Apostles were able to recognize him and touch him.
 - He was in his Glorified body. He is able to appear in locked rooms and vanish from sight.
 - Complete the online activity about the Risen Jesus.
- Read allowed to your child John 11:25 and John 2:19-22
 - Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live."
 - Jesus answered and said to them, "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and you will raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking about the temple of his body. Therefore, when he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they come to believe the scripture and the word Jesus had spoken.
 - Explain that the Resurrection is the most important even in Salvation History. Without it we would still be in our sins. In other words, if Jesus had not risen from the dead then our faith would be empty. There would be no reason for our faith and we would not be saved from our sins. Thankfully, Christ did not just die. He did raise from the dead, and we are saved from our sins. Christ's victory over sin and death is won not just by His Passion and Death, but also by His Resurrection. And His Resurrection has great meaning for us and our own faith.
 - Complete online activity.