

# Easter Day

Key Word: **Risen**

Key Verse: Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her. *John 20:18*

Once there was a beautiful garden. The most beautiful plant in the garden was a splendid Bamboo. Year after year, Bamboo grew yet more beautiful.

One day the master of the garden spoke: "Bamboo, I would use you." Bamboo flung his head to the sky in utter delight. His voice came low: "Master, I am ready, use me as you want."

"Bamboo," the master was grave, "I must cut you down."

Bamboo trembled. "Cut...me...down? Me, whom you have made the most beautiful in your garden? Use me for your joy, oh master, but don't cut me down."

"Beloved Bamboo," the master grew graver still, "if I do not cut you down, I cannot use you."

Bamboo, slowly bent his glorious head. He whispered, "Master, then cut."

"Beloved Bamboo, I would cut your leaves and branches from you also."

"Master, master. Cut me down and lay my beauty in the dust, but don't take from me my leaves and branches!"

"Bamboo, alas! If I do not cut them away, I cannot use you."

Bamboo shivered. "Master, cut away."

"Bamboo, I would divide you in two and cut out your heart, for if I do not cut so, I cannot use you."

"Master, then cut and divide."

So the master of the garden took

Bamboo and cut him down and hacked off his branches and stripped his leaves and divided him in two and cut out his heart, and lifting him gently, carried him to where there was a spring of fresh, sparkling water in the midst of the master's dry fields.

Then putting down one end of broken Bamboo into the spring and the other end into the water channel in the field, the master gently laid down his beloved Bamboo. The clear sparkling water raced down the channel of Bamboo's torn body into the waiting fields. Then the rice was planted and the days went by. The shoots grew. The harvest came.

In that day was Bamboo, once so glorious, even more glorious in his brokenness, for in his beauty he was life abundant. But in his brokenness he became a channel of abundant life to his master's world.

## Questions

**Why was Mary weeping in the garden?**

**What changed her tears into delight?**

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A E V Y D S E D A E H Q Y P Z  
T E V X O L G N D P A T S K  
C O N B R L Z Z E X Y U N O R K  
J E M R I N O V N Y U N O R K  
X X A B S I D O S F A W V A O I  
X C A R I L E B P M N D H Q I  
D N E A S I S W O A A L M Y F O  
O I I A E I P O T R L S T A K E N Y  
R I P S M T W X O K K L W P G Y  
D E I T O U D M X S S E V E D R  
S E M U R I P V C B E V C M S  
F W O X P E L F G S H P P B K  
K X N P E X W N R Z A N W I N

I have seen the Lord.

WRAPPINGS	TOMB
SCRIPTURE	ASCENDING
PETER	DEAD
FATHER	RISE
JESUS	STONE
WEPT	DISCIPLE

## WORD JUMBLE

## WORD FIND

## Answers

## PICTURE DIFFERENCES

- Arrow end and tip through heart
- Missing musical note
- Jesus' beard
- Girl's Collar
- Missing crease in girl's gown
- Missing foot on boy
- Different sock on girl
- Missing crease in song book
- Cross on song book
- Missing shadow in sleeve



# Gospel Grams

Today's Gospel Story  
is from  
**John 20:1-18**

### Word Jumble

Unscramble each word from today's Gospel story, John 20:1-18. Then place the numbered letters in the boxes at the bottom for a special message from the lesson.

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### Word Find

Here are twenty words from today's Gospel story. Words are printed forward, upside down, backward, or at an angle. One has been done for you. How many others can you find?

Words to find:

- BELIEVED
- CARRIES
- CLOTH
- DISCIPLE
- FATHER
- GOD-
- HEAD
- HOMES
- JESUS
- LINEN
- LORD
- LOVED
- MARY
- SCRIPTURE
- SIMON
- STANDING
- STONE
- TAKEN
- TOMB
- WEEPING

D M H A V L S D S I G E E Y O H  
 A E V T L S E D A E H Q Y P Z  
 T E V I O I G N I D N A C U K  
 C O N E R L Z Z V N Y U M O F I  
 J E M R I W C V N Y U W V A R C  
 N X A R C L E F A T H E R C  
 X G A U R L E B P A I W H Q I  
 L N E S I S W O A I W Y F O  
 O I A E P T W Y O C K L W P E N  
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 D E I O U R I P V C H P Y J R  
 S E M X E L F G S H P Y B K  
 F W O N P E X W N R Z  
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### Picture Differences

Below are two drawings. There are 10 differences in these drawings. How many can you find? Circle the differences in each drawing then check the answers on the back.

