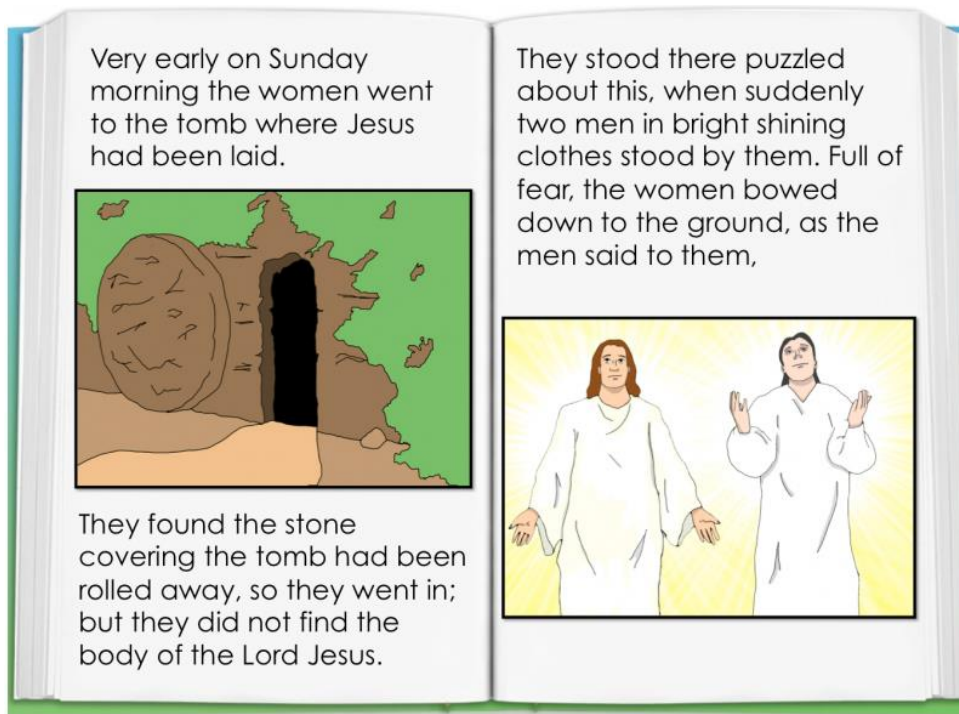


Opportunities

Remember to use your Bible to help you. The bullet points can be written down and answered or used as points of discussion.

- Recap the Easter story.



- How do you think the women were feeling?
- What was the message the men gave to the women?
- What had Jesus told them to remember? Discuss the words used.
- How do you think the eleven disciples felt when they heard the news from the women?

Task: Draw the angels and the women. In speech bubbles write the message that they gave the women and how you think the women would have replied.

The promise of the Spirit

(based on John 13:33; 14:18,15,26; 16:5,7,13)

Jesus' friends were delighted that God had given Jesus new life. But they remembered that he had said he was going back to his Father. The thought of that made them sad again and they worried about how they would manage without him. They remembered his promise to send a new helper. We can read Jesus' message to them in John's gospel.

I shall be with you only a little longer.
Don't worry. I will not leave you all alone.
I will ask my Father and my Father will give you another friend to be with you forever.
This friend, the Helper,
will help you to remember all the things I have done
and everything I have told you."

"I am going back to my Father who sent me.
It is better for you if I go away.
If I go I will be able to send someone else to help you -
the Holy Spirit of truth.
The Holy Spirit will guide and lead you.
The Holy Spirit will help you to understand all the things
I have done and everything that I have said to you.
The Holy Spirit will teach you everything
that I have learned from my Father.
The Holy Spirit will help you to know how you are to live,
now and in the future."



'I will not leave you alone'

'My Father will give you
another friend'

'The Holy Spirit will help you
and guide you'

'The Holy Spirit will show you
how to live'



Based on John 14
(Come and See)



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The promise of the Spirit

- Who did Jesus return to?
- What did He promise to do for His friends?
- What was the new friend called?
- Can you name some of the ways the Holy Spirit helped the friends of Jesus?
- How do you think Jesus' friends felt when he gave them the news of the Holy Spirit?
- How do you think the Holy Spirit helps us?

Task: Create a poster using the words 'The Holy Spirit helps me to....' Think of all the things the Holy Spirit helps you do at home and the good choices it helps you to make.

EG) The Holy Spirit helps me to be kind and loving to my family.