

# Easter Resources

## Easter Books



### **My Easter Basket** – *Mary Manz Simon*

A colorful board book that helps young children discover the true meaning of Easter. Using familiar Easter images, children walk through the Bible story and learn that Easter is about Jesus being alive.



### **Holy Week** – *Danielle Hitchen & Jessica Blanchard*

A unique board book that walks children through Holy Week while exploring emotions such as joy, sadness, fear, and hope—helping kids see that emotions are created by God and are good.



### **A Very Happy Easter** – *Tim Thornborough*

Tells the Easter story through the emotions of Jesus' friends and invites children to copy facial expressions, making the story interactive and emotionally engaging.



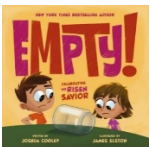
### **The Easter Fix** – *Steph Williams*

A gospel-centered retelling of Easter that explains how Jesus came to “fix” our broken relationship with God. Written especially for preschoolers, with helpful notes for parents at the back.



### **Jesus Rose for Me** – *Jared Kennedy*

Beginning with Palm Sunday and ending with Easter morning, this beautifully illustrated book teaches children that Jesus is King, died for us, and rose again so we can belong to his forever family.



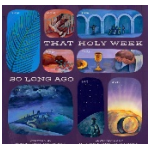
### **Empty!: Celebrating the Risen Savior** – *Joshua Cooley*

A playful and thoughtful book that contrasts “bad empty” with the wonderfully good empty tomb. Helps children understand why Jesus' resurrection changes everything.



### **God Gave Us Easter** – *Lisa Tawn Bergren*

Through a warm conversation between Little Cub and Papa Bear, children learn why Easter matters and what Jesus' death and resurrection mean for our faith.



### **That Holy Week So Long Ago** – *Matthew Boswell*

Ten beautifully written poems guide children through the days of Holy Week, helping families slow down and reflect on the meaning of each day leading up to Easter.



### **The Easter Story: Brick by Brick** – *Rachel Hood*

A rhyming Easter story told through LEGO-style brick scenes. Great for engaging creative, hands-on children while remaining faithful to the biblical account.



### **The Donkey Who Carried a King** – *R.C. Sproul*

Told from the perspective of a donkey, this story introduces children to Jesus' humility and kingship during Passion Week.



**Benjamin's Box** – *Melody Carlson*

A fictional story following a young boy who witnesses the events of Holy Week and discovers the greatest treasure of all—the good news of Jesus.



**The Garden, the Curtain, and the Cross** – *Carl Laferton*

A sweeping Bible overview that connects Easter to God's entire redemption story—from Eden to the new creation—showing why Jesus' death and resurrection matter.



**The Friend Who Forgives** – *Dan DeWitt*

Focused on Peter's failure and restoration, this book highlights Jesus' forgiveness made possible through the cross and resurrection.



**The Good News of Easter** – *Brasseur Rousseaux*

A poetic and beautifully illustrated retelling of Jesus' death, resurrection, and ascension, ideal for family reading.



**The Very First Easter** – *Paul Maier*

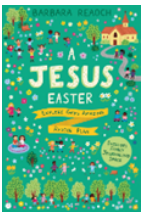
A historically grounded retelling of Jesus' death and resurrection through the eyes of a curious child.

## Easter Devotionals



**Why Easter?** – *Barbara Reaach*

A four-week, daily devotional designed to help families prepare for Easter with Scripture readings, discussion questions, and gospel truth.



**A Jesus Easter** – *Barbara Reaach*

A 30-day devotional that traces God's plan for Easter from Genesis through the resurrection, with age-appropriate questions and journaling space.



**Darkest Night, Brightest Day** – *Marty Machowski*

A two-week family devotional beginning on Palm Sunday and ending with Pentecost, showing the contrast between Christ's suffering and resurrection glory.



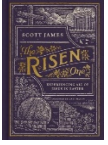
**The Wonder of Easter** – *Ed Drew*

Short, discussion-based devotions designed for all ages, making it easy for families to prepare for Easter together in just ten minutes a day.



**Mission Accomplished** – *Scott James*

A fourteen-day devotional beginning Palm Sunday, helping families understand Easter as the climax of God's rescue mission and our call to share the good news.



**The Risen One** – *Scott James*

Short weekly devotions focused on the meaning of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection—not just for Easter, but for everyday faith.



**Sammy and His Shepherd** – *Susan Hunt*

A retelling of Psalm 23 from a lamb's perspective, reminding children of God's loving care—an excellent companion to Easter themes of trust and redemption.