

Hikers – April

Theme Points



Theme: Jesus is alive!

Central Question: What Is Easter About?

Memory Verse: Revelation 1:18 *Jesus is alive!*

We live by the Bible...

What is the Bible?

What does it tell us?

What does it teach us?

We learn...

It's God's book!

Who God is!

How to live!

Theme Points...

Genesis 3-Adam & Eve sinned.

John 19 & 20 -Jesus death and resurrection.

Jesus is my Savior.

I ask God to clean up my sin.

Key Point: Adam & Eve disobeyed God. This brought BIG TROUBLE. God loves us and he has GOOD PLANS for us. God sent His Son, Jesus, to save us from the wrong things that we do. Jesus died on the cross and then rose again. Jesus is our Savior. He cleans up our sin. Jesus is alive!

For Teachers: *El Yeshuatenu* means "God of our Salvation." In Psalm 68:19-20 we read that God "daily bears our burdens" (NIV). The picture is of a pack animal carrying a heavy load. The Lord carries our load so that we can walk uprightly before Him. Jesus' Hebrew name is Yeshua which comes from the same root (yasha) as Yeshuatenu. This points to the salvation we receive through Jesus who carries the load of our sin before God. (From: [http://www.hebrew4christians.com/Blessings/Daily Blessings/For Bearing Burdens/for bearing burdens.html](http://www.hebrew4christians.com/Blessings/Daily_Blessings/For_Bearing_Burdens/for_bearing_burdens.html))

Class Schedule – to be done each week



Free Play (9:50-10:45AM)

Worship – 1-2 song videos

Snack – Children can have two small helpings of goldfish (use the snack scoop) and water.

Lesson – Teach the lesson while the children are eating snack. They are already sitting and ready to listen! See the weekly sheets attached for each lesson.

Transition Activity – As the children finish snack invite them to join you on the floor for the Easter Surprise Box. Have children take turns choosing an object from the box to put on the Easter Surprise Box Story Sheet. Use the objects to tell the story of Easter.

Hiker Challenge – Use play dough to make an empty tomb or a cross.

Hikers – Week 1

Bible Time

Mighty Mouse



Teacher: Look who's here. It's Mighty Mouse!

Mighty Mouse: I'm mighty because I know the Bible.

Mighty Mouse: What is the Bible?

What does it tell us?

What does it teach us?

Kids Respond: It's God's book!

Who God is!

How to live!

Mighty Mouse: Let's say the memory verse together. (Have the children take turns shining the flashlight on the memory verse. Say the verse and encourage the children to say it with you.) Revelation 1:18, "Jesus is alive!" Let's listen while your teacher reads from the Bible.

(Teacher reads the Bible story.)

Mighty Mouse:

- Easter is about Jesus. Jesus died to forgive our sins. Then He came back to life so we can live in heaven some day. That's exciting. Everybody shout "Jesus!" (Have the children say "Jesus" using different voices: whisper, squeaky, slow and fast.)
- There's a letter in our Trail Log from a friend. Let's read it.

Trail Log Entry (Show the children the picture and read the entry from the Trail Log book.)



Dear Trail Log,

My dad and I took a hike in the woods today. We had to wear our hiking boots because it was very muddy. The woods get that way in the spring because of the melting snow. Soon it will be Easter and I'll get to eat chocolate Easter bunnies and jelly beans! When I told my dad he said that those things are fun but we should remember that Easter is really about Jesus. Jesus died on the cross and rose again to clean up our sins. My friends at school all say that Easter is about the Easter bunny. What I want to know is this: What does the Bible say about Easter?

So long, Christopher

Mighty Mouse: If you've ever eaten a chocolate Easter bunny pat your head. Christopher thought Easter was about the candy. The Bible doesn't tell us about candy. Let's tell Christopher our memory verse so that he will know what the Bible says about Easter. (Shine the flashlight on the memory verse.) Revelation 1:18, "Jesus is alive!"

Mighty Mouse: Great job, kids! That will really help Christopher. I need to go home now.

Teacher: Bye Mighty Mouse.

Hikers - Week 2

Bible Time

Mighty Mouse



Teacher: Look who's here. It's Mighty Mouse!

Mighty Mouse: I'm mighty because I know the Bible.

Mighty Mouse: What is the Bible?

What does it tell us?

What does it teach us?

Kids Respond: It's God's book!

Who God is!

How to live!

Mighty Mouse: Let's say the memory verse together. (Have the children take turns shining the flashlight on the memory verse. Say the verse and encourage the children to say it with you.) Revelation 1:18, "Jesus is alive!" Let's listen while your teacher reads from the Bible.

(Teacher reads the Bible story.)

Mighty Mouse:

- Easter is about Jesus. Jesus died to forgive our sins. Then He came back to life so we can live in heaven some day. That's exciting. Everybody shout "Jesus!" (Have the children say "Jesus" using different voices: whisper, squeaky, slow and fast.)
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Dear Trail Log,

Hi! My name is Brian. My friend Zach invited me to go hiking in the woods today. We've been looking at the trees and seeing the tiny buds on them that will be leaves in the summer. Zach's mom told us that Roman soldiers cut down a tree to make the cross that Jesus was nailed to. I don't like thinking about that. It must have really hurt. Zach's mom said that's why we have Easter. Jesus died but He didn't stay dead, He came back to life! He did this to clean up our sins. I never heard that before. I thought Easter was about Easter baskets. What I want to know is this: What does the Bible say about Easter?

See you later. Brian

Mighty Mouse: If you've ever had an Easter basket, clap your hands. Easter baskets and candy are fun but they are not in the Bible. Let's tell Brian our memory verse so that he will know what the Bible says about Easter. (Shine the flashlight on the memory verse.) Revelation 1:18, "Jesus is alive!"

Mighty Mouse: Great job, kids! That will really help Brian. I need to go home now.

Teacher: Bye Mighty Mouse.

Hikers - Week 3

Bible Time

Mighty Mouse



Teacher: Look who's here. It's Mighty Mouse!

Mighty Mouse: I'm mighty because I know the Bible.

Mighty Mouse: What is the Bible?

What does it tell us?

What does it teach us?

Kids Respond: It's God's book!

Who God is!

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Mighty Mouse: Let's say the memory verse together. (Have the children take turns shining the flashlight on the memory verse. Say the verse and encourage the children to say it with you.) Revelation 1:18, "Jesus is alive!" Let's listen while your teacher reads from the Bible.

(Teacher reads the Bible story.)

Mighty Mouse:

- Easter is about Jesus. Jesus died to forgive our sins. Then He came back to life so we can live in heaven some day. That's exciting. Everybody shout "Jesus!" (Have the children say "Jesus" using different voices: whisper, squeaky, slow and fast.)
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Dear Trail Log,

We are Anna and Maria. We are hiking in the woods today with our aunt and uncle. We walked very quietly because we wanted to see the animals that live in the woods. We had to be quiet because if you are loud you scare the animals. It worked! We saw a bunny peaking at us from under a bush. After it ran away we asked our aunt and uncle if it was the Easter bunny. They laughed and said no. They told us that Easter bunnies are fun but Easter is really about Jesus. Jesus died on the cross and rose again to clean up our sin. We never heard that before. They said the best place to learn about Jesus is from the Bible. Can you tell us what the Bible says about Easter?

Bye for now, Anna & Maria

Mighty Mouse: Anna & Maria think Easter is about the Easter bunny. If you like the Easter bunny, wiggle your nose. The Easter bunny is fun but the Easter bunny is not in the Bible. The Bible tells us that Easter is about Jesus. Let's tell Anna and Maria our memory verse so that they will know what the Bible says about Easter. (Shine the flashlight on the memory verse.) Revelation 1:18, "Jesus is alive!"

Mighty Mouse: Great job, kids! That will really help Anna and Maria. I need to go home now.

Teacher: Bye Mighty Mouse.

Hikers - Week 4

Bible Time

Mighty Mouse



Teacher: Look who's here. It's Mighty Mouse!

Mighty Mouse: I'm mighty because I know the Bible.

Mighty Mouse: What is the Bible?

What does it tell us?

What does it teach us?

Kids Respond: It's God's book!

Who God is!

How to live!

Mighty Mouse: Let's say the memory verse together. (Have the children take turns shining the flashlight on the memory verse. Say the verse and encourage the children to say it with you.) Revelation 1:18, "Jesus is alive!" Let's listen while your teacher reads from the Bible.

(Teacher reads the Bible story.)

Mighty Mouse:

- Easter is about Jesus. Jesus died to forgive our sins. Then He came back to life so we can live in heaven some day. That's exciting. Everybody shout "Jesus!" (Have the children say "Jesus" using different voices: whisper, squeaky, slow and fast.)
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Dear Trail Log,

I'm Lisa. Today is the big Easter Egg Hunt in the woods! I'm really excited. All of my friends will be there. My grandparents are going to take me. I told them that we need to go to church first. Grandpa laughed and told me that I go to church every week so it was ok to miss church today. I tried to tell them that the Easter Egg Hunt is fun but Easter is really about Jesus. Jesus died on the cross and rose again to clean up our sin. They didn't understand. Can you tell me what the Bible says about Easter?

See you later. Lisa

Mighty Mouse: It's exciting that Lisa knows that Easter is about Jesus. If you know that Easter is about Jesus, rub your tummy. It's sad that Lisa's grandparents don't know that Easter is about Jesus. Let's tell Lisa our memory verse so that she can tell her grandparents what the Bible says about Easter. (Shine the flashlight on the memory verse.) Revelation 1:18, "Jesus is alive!"

Mighty Mouse: Great job, kids! That will really help Lisa. I need to go home now.

Teacher: Bye Mighty Mouse.