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EASTER EGG HUNT

OVERVIEW

This is a variation on the traditional Easter egg hunt. Its purpose is to have a good time while reviewing the concept of the new life we celebrate at Easter. While the main treasure that will be found in the eggs is not candy, you need to include some just to save disappointment. We use small jelly beans, and tell the teams they can be eaten as they are found.

We provide you with clues for up to six “hunts.” If you have more than one child, you can have them work in teams or work alone. Each child or team can do multiple hunts.

If you would like, you can also link multiple hunts together, by placing at the end of one hunt the first clue of the next hunt.

PREPARATION

1. You will need large plastic eggs, divided into groups of six, each for a different hunt and in a different color. If you are unable to get enough different colors, make them by mixing halves. This way you would have a team of blue and red eggs, as well as a team of just blue or just red.
2. Clues for the hunts are provided here. Each hunt will have *six* eggs of one color (different from other hunts). Put one clue in each egg. The first egg is given to the team. The other eggs will be hidden according to the directions.
3. Each team will need a basket for their eggs. Place the basket, the first egg, and a *New American Bible* in a separate area for each team. If you don't have a Bible, they can use a Bible app on a phone (preferably the *New American Bible* translation).
4. You will need some kind of “treasure” to place at the end of the hunt.
5. As leader, you will want to *read through all the Scripture quotes*, and hide the rest of the eggs in the designated spots.
6. If necessary, help your child learn how to look up Bible verses. A good explanation can be found at this link: <https://www.wikihow.com/Look-up-a-Bible-Verse>

CLUES

Hunt 1

1. Ephesians 1:22 - given to the team
2. 1 Corinthians 10:31 - near shoes, or anything to do with feet
3. Luke 7:32 - near food
4. Luke 6:44 - near organ, piano, musical instrument, or stereo
5. Mark 16:9 - near a tree, or in a bowl of fruit
6. This treasure is placed by a calendar

Hunt 2

1. 1 Corinthians 15:36-37 - given to team
2. Luke 5:18 - in a garden
3. Luke 5:37 - on couch or bed
4. Isaiah 44:3 - on a wine bottle
5. Mark 14:36 - by water of some kind
6. This treasure is placed by coffee cups

Hunt 3

1. Luke 4:11 - given to team
2. Mark 9:50 - on a stone
3. Isaiah 43:2 - near a salt shaker
4. Psalm 17:8 - near fireplace, grill, or candle
5. Ezekiel 34:13b - near bowl of apples
6. This treasure is hidden near water

Hunt 4

1. Ephesians 2:10 - given to team
2. Mark 14:18 - near art, a children's project (the word is "handiwork")
3. John 5:2 - at table for eating
4. Mark 12:41 - near a pool, or just near water if that is not possible
5. John 8:12 - near a wallet or money of some kind
6. This treasure is near a light

Hunt 5

1. Song of Songs 4:16 - given to team
2. 2 Corinthians 4:1 - in a garden
3. Psalm 3:5 - near a desk
4. Psalm 11:1 - by bed or couch
5. Luke 13:6 - by a bird feeder
6. This treasure is by a tree

Hunt 6

1. John 4:13 - given to team
2. Mark 1:33 - by a faucet
3. Mark 6:38 - by a door
4. Luke 12:7 - on a loaf of bread
5. Daniel 3:21 - on a hairbrush in a bathroom
6. This treasure is in an oven