Learning about God and growing together as a family

Passage: Matthew 28:1 - 20. Read this beforehand to see what it says (different people read different parts?)

Talk time:

During talks:

 Use separate sheets to help remember main points and think through what each talk is looking at.

After talks and service, chat about:

- Can you remember what the big idea in each of the talks was?
- Discuss the question "What difference does it make that Jesus is risen"?
- How will knowing Jesus is risen change our lives this week?
- What might we do to help tell others the great news that Jesus has defeated death?

Pray in response:

Say sorry that Jesus had to die for our sins.

I am thankful that Jesus is alive... Share answers and then thank Jesus for these.

Ask God to help you live with Jesus as your risen king this week.

Things to do this week:

- Think about "I am thankful that Jesus is alive because..." each day and share it with others in your family and others outside.
- Retell the Easter story using the Easter Scavenger Hunt (see website for this).
- Make an empty tomb craft to help remember that Jesus is risen. Here is one example: https://ministry-to-children.com/empty-tomb-easter-craft/
- Make an Easter tree: YES, an Easter Tree! Decorate a tree with homemade decorations. Write and cut-out Bible verses, or key Easter words (Cross, Salvation, Tomb, Resurrection, etc.) to hang up on the tree. Line the tree with paper garlands, origami flowers and other decorations.
- Draw a picture where death is the end of game baddy (as in a video game) and Jesus is the one defeating death Talk about why this is so great and why people need to know this.
- Retell the Easter story using Lego figures.

Songs to sing or listen to this week:

- Greatest day in history: https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=_1-cgDRRqCE
- Super Saviour: https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=TclGT1utHhE
- Jesus paid it all: https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=6n5qfUwVCcU