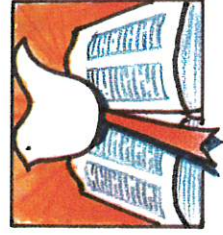
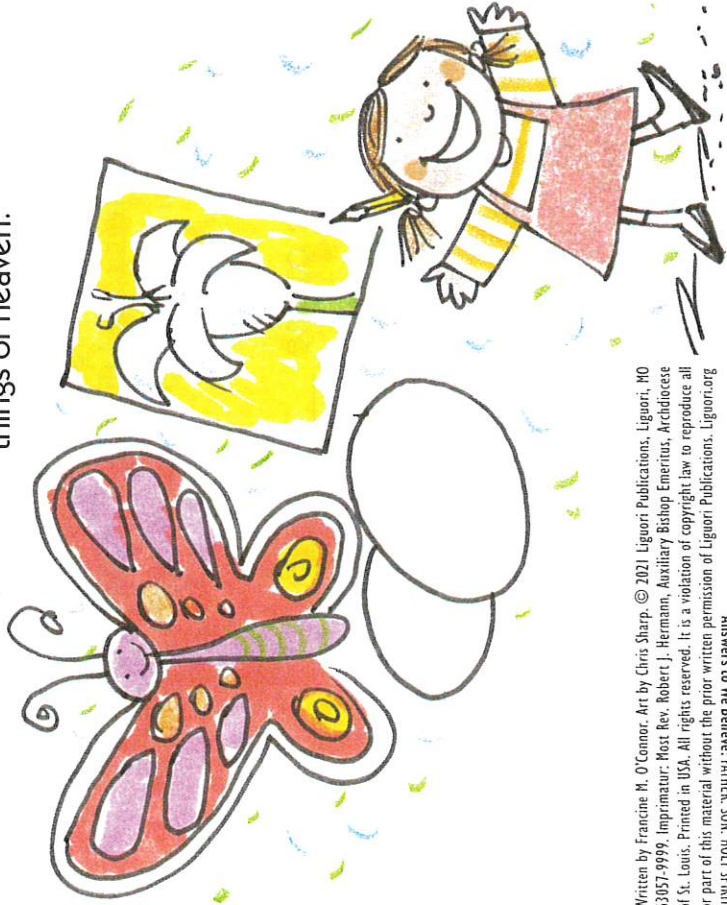


Family Age

The message of today's gospel is faith. To help your children grow in their faith, play the "Show and Tell and Believe" game with them.

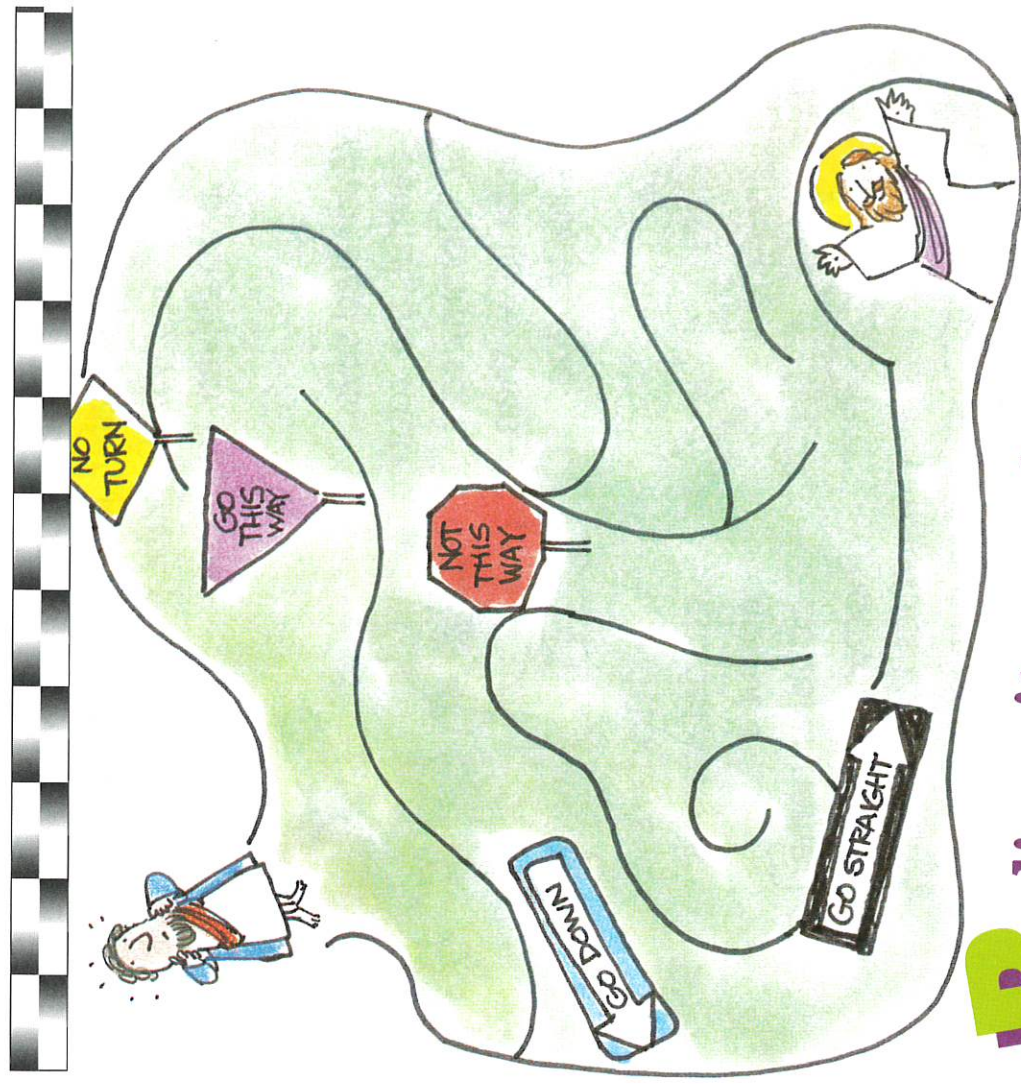


- 1 Have each member draw a picture of something that reminds him or her of Easter. It could be a lily or a butterfly or an egg.
- 2 Open your "Show and Tell and Believe" game by reading the Gospel of John 20:24-29.
- 3 Have members take turns showing what they have drawn and explaining why they chose that particular image.
- 4 Close by discussing how certain things of the world can help us to understand and believe the things of heaven.



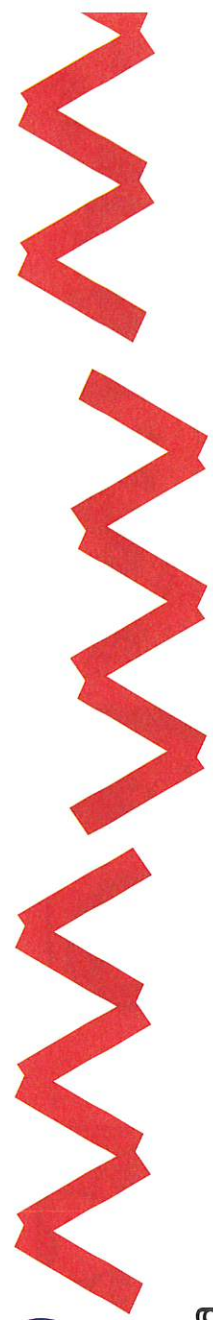
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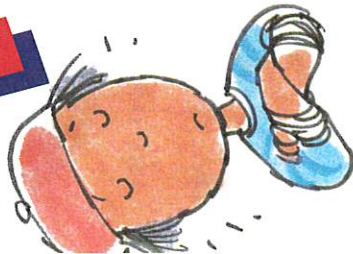


Believe it or not! Can you help Thomas find his way through this maze to Jesus? If you believe in the directions you are given, you and Thomas will both find Jesus.

"I doubt it!"



This is Tommy. Tommy is a doubter. Doubters learn everything the hard way.



When Mom says, "Wear your sweater, it's cold out," Tommy says, "I doubt it" —

then shivers from the cold.



When Dad says, "Be careful, the soup is hot," Tommy says, "I doubt it" — then burns his tongue.



Today's gospel story is about a doubter named Thomas. When the apostles told Thomas about seeing Jesus risen from the dead, Thomas did not

believe them. Thomas had to see Jesus for himself before he would believe.

Jesus said, "Blessed are they who have not seen and have believed." That means YOU! You have not seen Jesus, but you believe in him. You listen to his words. You know he lives in your heart. That's FAITH — the best gift God can ever give.



We Believe

There is a prayer-sign that you make before you talk to God. It is called the "Sign of the Cross." It tells God you believe all that Jesus taught us. Fill in the missing words.

In the name of the _____,
and of the _____,
and of the _____. Amen

Word list: HOLY SPIRIT FATHER SON

