



Easter: He Is Risen!

Today we celebrate Easter, the day when Jesus rose from his tomb and returned to life here on earth with us.

Why did Jesus do this?

Jesus performed this miracle to show us that death doesn't win. Hatred doesn't win. Violence doesn't win. God, and the love God has for us, is always more powerful than anything here on earth that makes us sad, angry, or hurt.

How do we know?

Because Jesus showed us! When people tried to hurt him by using violence and hatred, they thought they had won. He was dead, so they thought he would be gone forever.

But he wasn't!

Even though violence, hatred, and cruelty still existed, and were still able to hurt Jesus, they weren't enough to stop him. They weren't enough to prevent God from doing amazing, loving, miraculous things!

Easter reminds us that no matter what's going on, no matter how sad or scary or painful things get, there is always the love of God.

Reflection Questions:

Have you ever seen a movie where love is stronger than hate? What happened? How is that similar to the Easter story?

Do you ever worry that God's love isn't strong enough to overcome things like sadness, hatred, and violence? How does Easter show that God's love is always bigger?

What can you do to remember the miracle of Easter in your daily life?