

"Our story is about Jesus and His friends. Jesus died and came back, just like He said He would. Jesus' friends knew that **Jesus is alive** because they saw Him and talked with Him and even ate breakfast with Him on the beach!

"One day, Jesus told His friends to meet Him on a mountain. Okay, story helpers. I want you to stand up and pretend you are climbing a mountain like this. (*Demonstrate.*) Climb, climb to the top of the mountain! Whew! We made it! Thank you, story helpers! You can sit down now.

"Jesus' friends did what He said and they met Him on a mountain. When they were on the mountain together, Jesus told His friends He had a very important job for them to do. It's an important job He wants US to do, too.

"Do you want to know what it is? Say, 'I want to know!"

(Pause for child to respond.)

"Jesus said our important job is to tell EVERYONE (hold arms out straight in front of you, palms up, and bring them back to holding them up on each side of you) EVERYWHERE (raise both arms straight up overhead and down on each side like making a rainbow in the air) that **Jesus is alive** and we can follow Him!

"Whoa! That is a very important job! Do you think we can do it? Sure we can! Stand up, story helper, and let's say that together. Just say what I say and do what I do."

CHILD and PARENT (say together): "Go and tell EVERYONE (hold arms out straight in front of you, palms up, and bring them back to holding them up on each side of you) EVERYWHERE (raise both arms straight up overhead and down on each side like making a rainbow in the air) that Jesus is alive and we can follow Him!"

PARENT: "You're doing great, Let's do that together again!"

CHILD and PARENT: "Go and tell EVERYONE (hold arms out straight in front of you, palms up, and bring them back to holding them up on each side of you) EVERYWHERE (raise both arms straight up overhead and down on each side like making a rainbow in the air) that Jesus is alive and we can follow Him!"

PARENT: "Great job You can sit down.

"That is the important job that Jesus told His friends on the mountain to do, AND He is telling us to do today. Jesus wants us to go and tell EVERYONE (hold arms out straight in front of you, palms up, and bring them back to holding them up on each side of

you) EVERYWHERE (raise both arms straight up overhead and down on each side like making a rainbow in the air) that **Jesus is alive** and we can follow Him! **Who is alive?**"

CHILD AND PARENT (say together): "Jesus is alive!"

PARENT: "One more time. Who is alive?"

CHILD: "Jesus is alive!"

PARENT: "Thank you for being such great story helper today.

Now it's time to close our eyes and talk to God."

PRAYER

PARENT: "Dear God, we want to do the important job Jesus gave us and tell everyone everywhere that **Jesus is alive** and we can follow Him. Please help us do this very important job so everyone will know how much Jesus loves them and that He wants to be their friend forever. We love You, God. In Jesus' name, amen."