

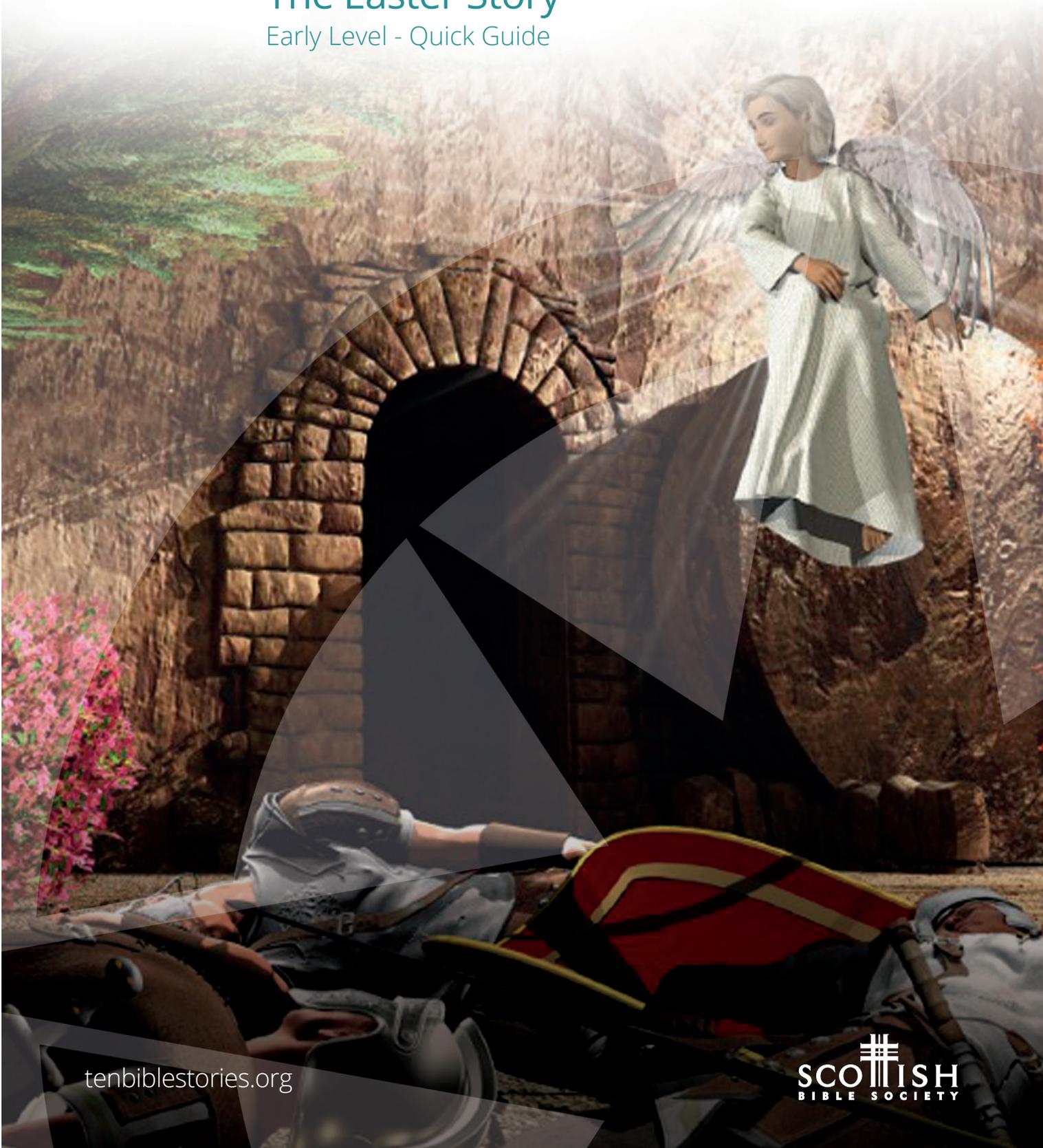


MUST KNOW BIBLE STORIES

stories worth exploring

The Easter Story

Early Level - Quick Guide



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The Early Level Easter Story material is in four parts:

1. The Easter Story: The story is the most important part! We've included a simple script to help you tell the story to your class. Tell the story more than once. Tell it at the start of your learning and then repeat it throughout the days you're exploring this Bible story. Why not try telling it outdoors? You could also use video, drama or books to help you vary the way you recap the story. Allow time for discussion and questions from the children.

2. Teacher-led Activities: A number of teacher-led, interactive activities to help you follow-on from the story and explore it in different ways. After telling the story, choose from the selection, those that you think will work for your class. These don't all have to be done during one lesson, spread them out throughout your learning.

3. Contexts to Explore the Easter Story

For the children to benefit from the story and the teacher-led activities, it is good if they can be embedded into an environment that allows children to revisit the story and explore it freely in their own way.

To help you do this, we have given you suggestions to help you bring learning about the story into the many different aspects of early years education that you will already be doing. There's lots to explore, so we've given you a few of our favourite ideas, but they are only a small sample, so do feel free to use your own creativity and imagination, the possibilities are endless!

Our suggestions are contained in three files. All three present similar material in a different way:

- a. A list of contexts to explore the Easter story. This is the most detailed of the three files and provides practical pointers for some of the activities.
- b. A mind map of normal Nursery contexts with some suggestions of activities to include in each area.
- c. An Easter-themed mind map with a few suggested ideas of how to bring the Easter story into some common Easter themes.

If you are limited in time, why not try these three simple contexts:

Easter story small world

A cross craft activity or an outdoor cross hunt

Decorating and rolling Easter eggs

4. Curricular Links: These show where the Easter story fits into the Early level Curriculum for Excellence.