

# **The Stone**

## *Nothing Is Impossible for God*

### **PREP**

#### **Supplies:**

- Stones, one for each student. Try to find stones that are as flat and as easy to write on as possible.
- Permanent Markers, one for every 2-3 students to share.

Mark a Bible to Matthew 28:1-4.

### **DEMONSTRATION**

Give each student a stone and a permanent marker to share. Have them write on their stone, “Nothing is impossible for God” or “Nothing stands in God’s way.”

### **OBJECT LESSON**

The Bible tells us that after Jesus died on the cross his body was taken and placed in a tomb. This tomb was some kind of cave made of rock.

The tomb was closed off by placing a huge stone in front of the entrance. Then a seal was put on the stone. A seal is like a special picture that was used by someone in authority to show that the tomb was closed by their permission and that no one was allowed to open it. Finally, guards were put outside Jesus’ tomb to keep anyone from breaking in.

You see, the government and the religious leaders of Jesus’ day were worried that someone would break into Jesus’ tomb and steal His body to make it appear as if Jesus had risen from the dead, as He had promised He would.

But, they didn’t realize that Jesus didn’t need anyone to steal his body.

Matthew 28:1–4 tells us the crazy events that happened after Jesus’ body lay dead in that tomb for 3 days.

“... Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb. There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning and his clothes were white as snow. The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men.”

So, the two Mary’s show up to visit Jesus’ tomb, and the giant stone had been rolled away from its entrance. And the guards were scared to death by the angel that was sitting on top of it.

Next the angel tells the women that Jesus had risen from the dead and was not in the tomb anymore. When Jesus rose again, He had a perfect spirit body and could walk through walls. So the angel didn't open the tomb so Jesus could leave, but rather he opened it so people could see that his body was gone like Jesus said it would be.

Nothing is too hard for God. Jesus has power over death, power over angels, power over giant rocks, and power over nature... Power over EVERYTHING!

### **WRAP UP**

"The Easter story reminds us that God has the power to do anything and that's why we can fully trust him with every part of our lives!"