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God is Working...He Gives Life!

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The story of Lazarus ([John 11:38-42](#)) is an amazing miracle and can be a fun opportunity for games and crafts. Bringing the dead back to life is always sensational! There's a lot we can take away from this story, though, besides just the resurrection of a dead guy. We see a foreshadow of Jesus Himself, for one thing, buried in a tomb and brought back to life. In this story we also have a glimpse of Jesus weeping, demonstrating that He loved and cared for His friend Lazarus. Well, if that was true, why did he have to die? That demonstrates one of the most significant elements of this story: sometimes we don't understand what God is doing in our lives. Sometimes things are hard. But God is always at work, and promises that things will work out, if we trust Him.

Bible Verses or Craft Captions to Consider...

*Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?"
-John 11:40*

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life.^[d] Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live,²⁶ and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. -John 11:25-26

He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away. -Revelation 21:4

All things are made new...Lazarus was raised and I will be, too!

Even when things are rocky...God is at work!

I may not understand...but God is in control!

More ideas on Jesus Raising Lazarus back to life

- [Bible Lesson: The Resurrection of Lazarus for Kids](#)
- [Children's Sermon: Jesus Raises Lazarus from the Dead](#)
- [Sunday School Lesson \(John 11:38-44\) Lazarus is Raised by Jesus](#)



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Craft one: “Lazarus out of the Tomb ”

You will need:

- Scissors
- Construction paper
- Paper or Styrofoam cups
- Markers or decorating materials
- Glue or tape
- Toilet Paper tube or popsicle stick
- Felt or cloth



Procedure:

1. Decorate the tube with a “face” like Lazarus.
2. Wrap the tube with cloth or paper strips, to be “mummified” and glue or tape them securely.
3. Decorate the cup with rock colors or “tomb-like” decorations. Cut a slit into it as a stone opening.
4. Place the “Lazarus” inside the cup “tomb.”
5. Add a verse caption, and enjoy making Lazarus come out of his tomb!



Craft Two: "Lazarus Mask"

You will need:

- Paper plates
- Glue, tape, or staples
- Markers or crayons
- Scissors
- Popsicle stick
- Paper or felt



Procedure:

1. Cut two eye-holes out of the paper plate, so it can be a mask.
2. Decorate the plate with a mouth and nose, if desired.
3. On the side of the plate that does not have a mouth and nose, decorate with stone colors.
4. Cut strips of paper or cloth, and attach them over the plate to look like strips of linen. Secure with staples or tape/glue.
5. If desired, tape a stick to the back of the plate, so it can be held up like a mask. Add a verse caption and/or a caption over the eye holes.





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