

RESURRECTION ROLLS

Sunday | April 4



Ingredients

- Crescent roll dough
- 12 Marshmallows
- 1 Tablespoon Cinnamon & 1/4 Cup sugar mixed together
- 1/4 Cup Butter, melted

Getting Started

Preheat oven to 350F and put parchment on baking sheet and read from John 19:

While some people loved Jesus for his kindness, some people were angry with him and planned to kill him. After dinner, Jesus went to the garden to pray. Some men came to take Jesus away. They dressed him in a purple robe and gave him a crown of thorns. The soldiers made Jesus carry his own cross up a big hill. There they nailed him to a cross to kill him. Jesus said, "It is finished." With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit. Jesus died. Darkness came over all the earth. Joseph of Arimathea, a disciple of Jesus asked Pilate for the body of Jesus. He and Nicodemus came and took the body away to a garden where there was a tomb to bury Jesus. They wrapped it, with the spices, in strips of cloth according to custom. They laid Jesus' body in the tomb and rolled a big heavy stone to cover the door. They did not want anyone to take Jesus' body away.

Next Steps

1. Open the crescent roll dough and give each child a section, explaining that this is like the cloth they wrapped Jesus in to bury him.
2. Hand each child a marshmallow and explain that it is like the body of Jesus.
3. Have the children take turns rolling the marshmallow in a small bowl of melted butter and then the cinnamon/sugar mixture. Explain that these are like the spices they put on Jesus' body before burial.
4. Help the kids wrap the marshmallow in crescent roll dough and pinch all the sides together tightly. Explain that this represents how they wrapped Jesus' body in cloth.

Transformation

Put the rolls on a baking sheet and into the "tomb" oven for 8-10 minutes and read:

Three days later, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb. She was surprised to find that the stone had been rolled away. Mary stood outside the tomb crying. Suddenly a man appeared and asked her, "Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?" Thinking he was the gardener, she said, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him." The man said to her, "Mary." She realized it was Jesus and turned toward him and cried out "Rabbi" (which means "Teacher"). Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: "I have seen the Lord! He is risen"

Take the rolls out of the oven, let them cool and then open them for the kids. The rolls will be empty just like the tomb was empty!