

The Lord Lost and Found

On the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb.... Mary stood outside by the tomb weeping, and as she wept she stooped down and looked into the tomb. And she saw two angels in white.... Then they said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "Because they have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid Him." Now when she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, and did not know that it was Jesus (John 20: 1, 11-14).

Help Mary Magdalene look for the Lord and then find Him.

Suggested Materials

cover stock or construction paper
transparent paper such as tracing paper or an overhead transparency
colored markers or wax crayons
optional: special markers for writing on transparencies, if using these

Procedure

1. Make a picture of Mary in the garden, standing to one side of the page.
2. Draw a picture of the Lord on transparent paper such as tracing paper or an overhead transparency. Position the Lord so that He and Mary are looking at each other when the transparent paper is laid on top of the picture of Mary.
3. Use tape to fasten the transparent paper to the top of the background paper. (You want to be able to flip the transparent paper to the back or front of the background page.)
4. Retell the story of Mary Magdalene looking for the Lord. Flip the picture of the Lord behind the background page when Mary Magdalene is searching in the wrong places for the Lord. Bring it in front of the background when she is finally able to see Him.