



CRAFT

Jumping Jesus!

[20 min]

Supplies

- “Jesus Figure” handout, printed on card stock
- “Jumping Jesus Instructions” handout
- markers
- scissors
- rubber bands
- pins
- pencils
- clear packing tape
- roughly half-gallon milk or orange juice cartons
- stickers

Easy Prep

- Cut apart the Jesus figures on the handout.
- Slice the milk carton into 1-inch squares as shown below.
- Make a sample craft to show kids.



Tip

- You can use any *square* cardboard cartons for this craft, but rectangular ones such as broth containers won't work.



Make Jumping Jesus Figures

Show kids the sample craft you made. Lay it flat as you explain that Jesus died, and then exclaim that he came back to life as the figure pops up.

Give each child a Jesus figure and a square from the carton. Set out the remaining supplies to share, and have kids follow the directions on the “Jumping Jesus Instructions” handout to make Jumping Jesus figures.

- Color the Jesus figure.
- Use a pin to poke a hole in two opposite corners of your carton square.
- Use a pencil to make the hole big enough to poke a rubber band through.
- Cut a rubber band and thread it through both holes.
- Tape the rubber band in place on the outside of the carton square. You’ll want about 2 inches stretching in between the two corners.
- Fold your Jesus figure in half, and tape it over a corner that *doesn’t* have a rubber band poked through it.
- Decorate the milk carton with stickers.

Make Jumping Jesus Figures

- Stretch your Jumping Jesus toy so that the Jesus figure lies flat on top while the two corners with the rubber band are stretched as far apart as possible.
- Release the toy and watch Jesus spring to life!

Talk About It

Ask: • **What do you think it *really* looked like when Jesus came back to life?**

• **How could you use this toy to share the good news of Jesus?**

Say: **Jesus died for us, but he came back to life! He’s alive today, and he wants to be friends with everyone! You can share the good news that Jesus is alive by showing people your fun jumping toy!**