

Faith Talk *Activity* - April 5, 2026

Family Activity: "Wash Away the Old"

This activity helps families experience resurrection as a present reality: the power that raised Jesus gives us brand-new, never-before-seen life in relationship with God.

Materials needed:

- Dark construction paper (black, brown, or dark blue)
- White crayon or chalk
- Wet paper towel or sponge
- Fresh white paper
- Regular crayons or markers

Instructions:

- 1. Draw the "old life":**
 - On dark paper, use a white crayon/chalk to draw or write things from old life
 - Examples: sad face, crossed-out heart, words like "mean," "scared," "alone."
 - Say: "This is what life looks like without Jesus—dark and broken."
- 2. Wash it away:**
 - Use a wet paper towel to wipe across the dark paper
 - Watch the white marks disappear or smear away
 - Say: "When Jesus died on the cross, He washed away our old life!"
- 3. Draw the "new life":**
 - On fresh white paper, draw bright, colorful pictures
 - Examples: smiling faces, hearts, sunshine, words like "loved," "happy," "new."
 - Say: "Jesus gives us brand new life—bright, clean, and beautiful!"
- 4. Compare them side by side:**
 - Put the dark (wiped) paper next to the bright new paper
 - Ask: "Which one shows new life in Jesus?"
- 5. Hang up your "new life" picture:**
 - Put it on the fridge or in your room
 - Every time you see it, remember: "Jesus gave me new life!"

Simple truth: Jesus doesn't just clean up our old life, He gives us a completely new one! Like going from dark, messy paper to bright, clean paper.