

Resurrection cookies

Tell the Easter story as you make these cookies!

INGREDIENTS

1 cup whole pecans (or chocolate chips)
1 teaspoon vinegar
3 egg whites
1 pinch salt
1 cup sugar

SUPPLIES

1 zip top plastic bag
1 wooden spoon
scotch tape
Bible

Each ingredient represents part of the Easter story. Read the corresponding Bible verses as you add the ingredients.

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Preheat oven to 300F (don't skip this step).
2. Place pecans (or chocolate chips) in zip top bag, and let children beat them with the wooden spoon.
The Roman soldiers arrested and beat Jesus. Read John 19:1-3.
3. Let each child smell the vinegar, then put 1 teaspoon vinegar into a mixing bowl.
The soldiers gave Jesus vinegar to drink when he was thirsty on the cross. Read John 19:28-30.
4. Add egg whites to vinegar.
Eggs represent life. Jesus gave His life to give us life. Read John 10:10-11.
5. Sprinkle a little salt into each child's hand. Let each child taste it, then put the rest into the mixing bowl.
Jesus' followers had salty tears. Read Luke 23:27.
6. Add 1 cup sugar.
The sweetest part of the story is that Jesus died because He loves us! He wants us to know and belong to Him. Read Psalm 34:8 and John 3:16.
7. Beat on high speed for 12 -15 minutes until stiff peaks form.
The color white represents the purity in God's eyes for those whose sins have been cleansed by Jesus. Read Isaiah 1:18 and John 3:1-3.
8. Fold in broken nuts. Drop by teaspoon onto a cookie sheet covered with waxed paper.
Each mound represents the rocky tomb where Jesus' body was laid. Read Matthew 27:57-60.
9. Put the cookie sheet in the oven; close the door, and turn the oven OFF. Give each child a piece of tape, and seal the oven door.
Jesus' tomb was sealed. Read Matthew 27:65-66.
10. GO TO BED! Your child may feel sad to leave the cookies in the oven overnight.
Jesus' followers were in despair when the tomb was sealed. Read John 16:20&22.
11. On Easter morning, open the oven and give everyone a cookie. Notice the cracked surface and take a bite. The cookies are hollow! *On the first Easter, Jesus' followers were amazed to find the tomb open and empty! Read Matthew 28:1-9.*

