

# Resurrection Ice

## Read & Do

You'll need: 8 clear disposable plastic cups, water and one each of the following items: small leaf, 3 coins, small cup, thorn or toothpick, small cross, a die, small stone and a little hammer.

This activity is a variation on the Resurrection Eggs. Fill all the cups with water. Put one each of the items into the cups. One cup will contain water only. Place all the cups in the freezer until the water is completely frozen. From Palm Sunday to Easter Monday, the children get one frozen item per day. Hold the cup under some running water to loosen the ice inside. Tip the ice block out on a table or outside deck or path. The children can use the little hammer (I gave my little ones a big bolt to use) to un'lock' each day's treasure. A messy activity but lots of fun!

## Talk

- Day 1: Leaf – Matthew 21: 1-11. Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey. The people waved palm branches.
- Day 2: Small cup – Matthew 26: 17-19. Jesus at the Last Supper with His disciples.
- Day 3: Coins – Matthew 27:3. Judas betrayed Jesus for 30 pieces of silver.
- Day 4: Thorn/Toothpick – John 19:2. The soldiers placed a crown of thorns on Jesus' head.
- Day 5: Dice – John 19:23. The soldiers took Jesus' garments and cast lots for his coat. Talk about what it means to cast lots.
- Day 6: Cross – John 19:18,37 and John 20: 25-29. Jesus was nailed to a cross and pierced in his side.
- Day 7: Stone – John 19:1. The stone covering Jesus' tomb was rolled away.
- Day 8: Nothing – Luke 24:6. The tomb is empty. He has risen!

Talk about how each item fits into the story of Jesus' journey. You could display the pieces and get the children to use them, as well as the Paper People on page 4 to retell the story each day.

