

EASTER WITH M & S

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This sketch was accompanied by a powerpoint – a possible version is attached. Some form of illustration is essential.

[SLIDE ONE]

[SLIDE TWO] This isn't just a lamb. This is the lamb provided by God Himself as a sacrifice. The innocent Lamb of God.

[SLIDE THREE] The lamb who was silent before his persecutors, and who takes away the sin of the world. A perfect lamb, chosen before the creation of the world, but revealed now for our sake.

[SLIDE FOUR] This isn't just a hot cross bun. This is the bread of God, who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world; the Bread of Life.

[SLIDE FIVE] And this is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ; the cross that He died on in our place so that we could be rid of guilt and free to live the right way.

[SLIDE SIX] These aren't just Easter lilies. These are bulbs that were buried in the ground, just as Jesus was buried in a stone cold tomb on the first Good Friday, but now springing back into vibrant life – full of joy and truth.

[SLIDE SEVEN] This is Jesus, our Messiah, raised from the dead through the power of the Father, so that we too may live a new life; a life full of light and truth.

[SLIDE EIGHT] This isn't just an Easter egg. This is the new garden tomb in which our saviour lay, but which was broken open again on that glorious first Easter Sunday.

[SLIDE NINE] This is the tomb with the stone that was rolled away on the third day; giving us a new hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead – a new living hope thanks to the amazing mercy and power of our loving, gracious God and Father.

[SLIDE TEN] This isn't just an Easter chick. This is the life that emerges from the broken egg shell. This is the life which is in Christ Jesus, who conquered death and emerged triumphant from the now empty tomb.

[SLIDE ELEVEN] This is Jesus showing us that we can be made alive together with Him, that anyone in Christ is a new creation, that we have the offer of eternal life, and that we are invited to become members of his royal family. This is Christ telling us that when He returns to Earth to claim his rightful throne we can rule with him in his glory.

[SLIDE TWELVE] This isn't just the Easter bank holiday. This is a celebration of the best news in the world.

[SLIDE TWELVE – SECOND CLICK] This is Jesus saying to us afresh, "I am your MESSIAH AND SAVIOUR."