

**Theme: Death is not the end!**

**Games:**

**Mountains and Valleys:** Use sports cones. Put a certain number face down around the room and the same number upturned, spaced well out. Divide the children into two teams, mountains and valleys. When you say 'go' each team must turn the cones their way and at the end when you say 'stop', the team with the most cones is the winner.

**Balloon Bash:** Have two teams. Place a bench or two for each team, who face each other with a gap in the middle of about 1 metre. Each team must stay sitting on the benches and pat the balloon between them. Points are scored each time the balloon falls over the top of the opposing team.

**Hide and Seek:** Sit in a circle. One player 'detective' leaves the room. The others decide who hides a small object. The person selected hides it about his or her person and the 'detective' has to decide who has it. Everyone should look as guilty / innocent as possible!

**Intro:** Ask the children some questions to which the answer will be '**IMPOSSIBLE**' or '**POSSIBLE**'. Put signs up at each end of the room and the children must go to the one they think is the right answer. i.e Can a fish live out of water? Can a person get younger instead of older? Can a person make a million pounds starting from just one pound? Can a person turn his or her head 360 degrees? The final question should be, Can a dead person live again?

**Story:** The Empty tomb! Matthew 28, Mark 16, Luke 24, John 20.....  
There is also a good account on the Miracle Maker DVD

**Memory Verse:** "God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son" 1 John 5 verse 11.

**Application:** Jesus came back to life! He is alive today!  
Get the children to think what they would do if Jesus appeared today! What sort of questions would they ask Him?  
The good news for us is that when we accept Jesus as Lord of our lives we can be sure that we will be with Him forever! Death is not the end. The Bible says that God loves all people and wants us to love Him. To accept this amazing love from the creator of the universe, is the best thing we can do! We can be sure we will be with God forever.....Wow!

**Prayer:** Play some quiet reflective music and ask the children to close their eyes and think about Jesus. After a few minutes they could get into a circle and share their thoughts. Then encourage them to pray and thank God for His amazing love, for sending Jesus and for giving us eternal life.

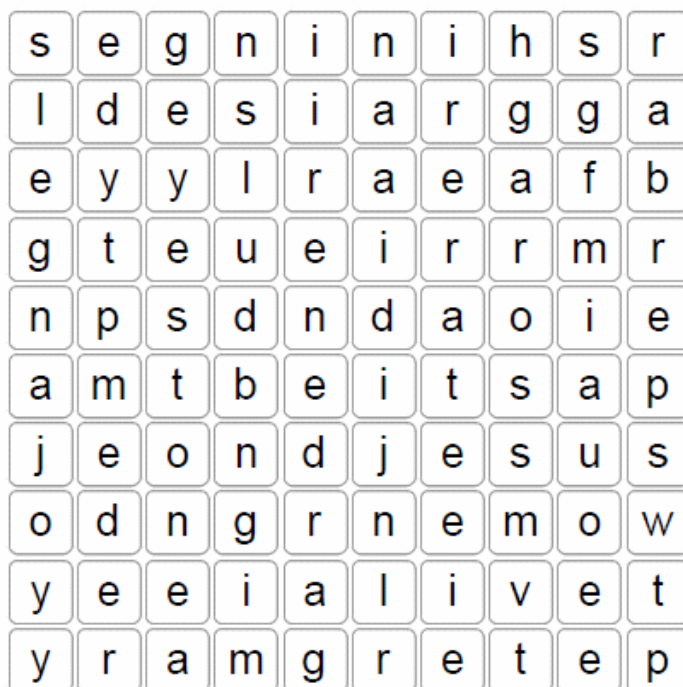
**Song:** "I want to be out of my depth in your love" Doug Horley

**Resources:** Funsheet

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Week 6

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us eternal life,  
and this life is  
in his Son"  
1 John 5 v 11*



## Words to find:

afraid, alive, angels, body, early, empty, garden, gardener, jesus, joy, mary, peter, raised, risen, shining, stone, tomb, women.