



## THE INVITATION

"In the child is much knowledge, much wisdom. If we do not profit from it, it is only because of neglect on our part to become humble and to see the wonder of this soul and learn what the child can teach." -Maria Montessori

In Godly Play, the spirituality of all ages is nurtured through wonder, narrative, rhythm, and play. We invite you individually or in community to experience a story, reflect, and respond, engaging in some of the rhythms in this guide.

## FACES OF EASTER II

*They even looked in the Temple—and there he was talking to the priests...Mary and Joseph then asked Jesus the question all parents ask their children, the question you can never answer: "Why did you do this?" And Jesus said something very strange. "Didn't you know I would be in my Father's house?" Mary and Joseph did not understand. Their house was in Nazareth...They did not understand, but they did not forget.*



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## WE WONDER

*Wondering is an open-ended practice where each person makes meaning for themselves. Engaging in active listening and being present with one another, there are no right answers but rather opportunities to say, "I wonder that too."*

### **At the end of this story, we wonder together:**

*I wonder if you have been asked "Why did you do this?"*

*I wonder if you've witnessed something you didn't understand but never forgot?*

*I wonder what you might add to the story about the boy Jesus being lost and found?*

*I wonder which part of this story is especially for you*



## WE RESPOND

When we respond to the story or to anything that may be present in our lives, the focus for this time is on process and not product. Whether it's coloring, drawing, sculpting with clay, reading, meditating, the gift of this time and space should support each person to express themselves in the way they see fit.

## BLESSING

*May you be blessed to witness that which you do not understand.*

*May you have the courage to relinquish the need to know and understand.*

*May you recognize the power of remembering is sometimes greater than the power of knowing.*

## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Tune in to our podcast, [Mess Makes Meaning](#) or visit our Everyday Godly Play page [HERE](#).

