

Resurrection Cookies

These cookies help tell the story of Jesus' death and resurrection, and included with the recipe are verses from Scripture to read with your children as you bake.

Ingredients

1 cup pecans or mini chocolate chips

1 tsp vinegar

pinch of salt

1 cup sugar

3 egg whites

Instructions

Preheat oven to 300 degrees F.

1: Place pecans in a plastic baggie and seal. Beat the nuts with a wooden spoon to break them into small pieces. This represents that Jesus was arrested and beaten by Roman soldiers **(Read John 19:1-3; Isaiah 53:5)**

2: Add egg whites to the bowl. Egg whites are clear and clean, and this represents how Jesus lived a perfect life, without any sin. Eggs also represent life and that by giving His life, Jesus gave us eternal life. **(Read John 10:10-11)**

3: Smell the vinegar. Talk about how Jesus was forced to drink it when he was thirsty on the cross. Add the vinegar to the bowl. **(John 19:28-30)**

4: Give everyone a little salt in their hand and encourage them to taste it. The salt represents the salty tears that were shed by Jesus' followers and reminds us of the bitterness of our sin. A pinch of salt is added to the bowl. **(Read Luke 23: 27-28; Romans 3:23)**

5: Add the sugar. Sugar is added to show that the sweetest part of the story is that Jesus died because He loves us. **(Read Psalms 34:8 and John 3:16)**

6: Beat the egg whites to form peaks, about 10-12 minutes.

7: Fold in the nuts and drop by teaspoons onto parchment paper covered cookie sheet. Each mound represents the rocky tomb where Jesus' body was placed. **(Read Matthew 27:57-60)**

8: Place cookie sheet in preheated oven and turn the oven OFF. We used masking tape to seal the oven just as the tomb was sealed. **(Read Matthew 27:64-66)**

9. Go to bed! Just as you may feel sad to leave the cookies in the oven overnight, Jesus' followers were sad when the tomb was sealed and they had to leave his body there. **(Read John 16:20,22)**

10. On Easter morning open the oven and give everyone a cookie. As they take a bite they will discover that the cookies are hollow. Just as on the first Easter morning Jesus' followers discovered the empty tomb. **Jesus is alive!!! (Read Matthew 28:1-9)**

OPTION 2: Bake cookies for 30 minutes, then turn oven OFF. Crack the oven door, and allow the cookies to sit for 30 minutes.