

“Easter is a Broken Egg”

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What In this monologue, the image of a broken egg is used to remind us why Easter happened—to redeem broken people.

Themes: Easter, Resurrection, Redemption, Broken, Redeemer, Salvation, Sin

Who Actor

When Present

Wear (Props) Choose wardrobe carefully. You want to give the effect of a person who may have had hard times (ex-gang member for example) but you don't want to be cheesy and overdo unrealistic efforts. Authenticity is the key.

Why Luke 19:10, John 3:16, 1 Peter 1:13

How If possible, use a dyed hardboiled egg for the monologue. The poignant moment is having a visible broken egg. If not, a plastic egg is acceptable and the speaker can add a line such as “What if this had been a real egg?”. The speaker should start off chipper and positive, then experience and change tone when the egg breaks, culminating in a victorious and passionate tone.

Time Approximately 3 minutes

Actor enters with egg in pocket or tucked in hand.

Actor: Someone asked me about my favorite Easter tradition. And with all the chocolates and egg hunts and family and food, it's actually not hard for me to pick out my favorite part of Easter. *(displays egg)* I absolutely loved dyeing Easter eggs. As a kid it was fascinating to me to watch.

You know how much fun it is, right? *(gradually getting more excited)* You put the egg in the cup with the different dyes and somehow the hard shell would come out a different color. *(as if remembering something)* Oh man! Then they came out with those pen things where you can write on the eggs! I had it made then! Then you go out and find the eggs that you painted all those colors. *(starts moving the egg in hand as if to indicate hiding places)* They would be up in trees, or in the windowsill or—

Drops egg. Egg should break if at all possible. Pauses, disappointed and more somber.

Oh no! Aw, man. I hate it when that happens. *(pauses and picks up the egg; speaks to egg)* Sorry little guy. I ruined you. Momma always said that the Easter bunny doesn't want broken eggs. Now we can't use you.

Pauses

I know what it's like to be you. I've been broken plenty of times. As much as I tried, my outer shell couldn't hold together all the broken pieces of me I have inside. *(pauses; scoffs)* I'm glad my Easter is more hopeful than yours. *(addressing the public again)* I mean, what would happen if broken people couldn't have Easter? Would you be here today?

Broken things may not be good enough for the Easter bunny, or the clothes we put on to go to church. But thinking about it, Jesus was all about broken people. He spent his whole life fixing brokenness in people. He even died right beside broken people.

I think most of us can relate, whether its hard times, bad choices, the wrong people, addiction, loss of a loved one, abuse, unmet expectations...I could go on all day. Something has hit you hard. And you've been broken.

But Easter is about the broken people. If you remember, Jesus was broken too. Physically...emotionally... And we have Easter because he rose up from his brokenness. For two days, the broken shell sat in a cave ...discarded. But from brokenness, victory arose. And victory will come for all of us. Easter isn't just for the nice, pretty, perfect things. Even the broken eggs, the broken people, can celebrate together. Momma said broken eggs aren't any good. *(pauses)* Jesus said, I want them all...and I'm coming from the grave to find them. *(Exits)*