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WELCOME TO YOUR VIRTUAL CRAFT BOX! WHAT'S IN THE BOX?

**4 BIBLE STORIES WITH CRAFT INSTRUCTIONS
AND SUPPLY LIST**

THEME:

HE LIVES! THE REAL EASTER STORY

**“BUT GOD DEMONSTRATES HIS OWN LOVE FOR
US IN THIS: WHILE WE WERE STILL SINNERS,
CHRIST DIED FOR US.” ROMANS 5:8**

SUPPLIES:

- + **SCISSORS**
- + **TAPE**
- + **GLUE**
- + **CONTACT PAPER *SEE SUBSTITUTION IN CRAFT DETAILS**
- + **TISSUE PAPER SQUARES *SEE SUBSTITUTION IN CRAFT DETAILS**
- + **MARKERS/CRAYONS**
- + **STAPLER *SEE SUBSTITUTIONS IN CRAFT DETAILS**
- + **CONSTRUCTION PAPER**
- + **WHITE FELT *SEE SUBSTITUTION IN CRAFT DETAILS**
- + **DOWNLOAD AND PRINT TEMPLATES AND COLORING PAGES
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STORY 1

JESUS PRAYS IN THE GARDEN

JESUS HAD BEEN TRAVELING WITH HIS CLOSE FRIENDS, THE DISCIPLES, SPREADING THE GOOD NEWS ABOUT GOD'S LOVE. BUT JESUS KNEW THAT IN A LITTLE WHILE, HE WOULD HAVE TO LEAVE HIS FRIENDS. GOD SENT JESUS TO EARTH TO SAVE EVERYONE FROM THEIR SINS. WHEN PEOPLE SIN, THEY HAVE TO BE PUNISHED, AND DEATH IS ONE OF THE PUNISHMENTS FOR SIN. SO, JESUS WAS PREPARING TO DIE, SO THAT HE COULD TAKE THE PUNISHMENT FOR ALL HUMAN BEINGS. JESUS' DEATH MEANT THAT PEOPLE WOULD HAVE A CHANCE TO GO TO HEAVEN AND LIVE WITH GOD.

JESUS WENT INTO THE GARDEN OF GETHSEMANE TO PRAY, AND HE ASKED SOME OF HIS DISCIPLES TO COME WITH HIM. JESUS NEEDED TO TALK TO GOD AND ASK FOR THE STRENGTH TO BE BRAVE. WHILE JESUS WAS PRAYING IN THE GARDEN, HIS DISCIPLES FELL ASLEEP. JESUS WAS DISAPPOINTED BECAUSE HE WANTED HIS FRIENDS TO STAY AWAKE AND PRAY WITH HIM. JESUS ASKED GOD IF THERE WAS ANY OTHER WAY HE COULD SAVE THE PEOPLE ON EARTH, BUT GOD SAID NO. SO, JESUS ASKED GOD TO HELP HIM TO BE OBEDIENT.

JUDAS, A MAN WHO PRETENDED TO BE ONE OF JESUS' DISCIPLES, CAME TO THE GARDEN AND BROUGHT MEN WITH HIM TO ARREST JESUS. JESUS' DISCIPLES WOKE UP, AND PETER, ONE OF JESUS' FRIENDS WHO LOVED HIM VERY MUCH, CUT OFF THE EAR OF ONE OF THE MEN WHO CAME TO ARREST JESUS. BUT, JESUS DIDN'T WANT ANYONE TO GET HURT, SO HE PERFORMED A MIRACLE AND PUT THE MAN'S EAR BACK ON HIS HEAD. THEN, JESUS LET THE MEN TAKE HIM AWAY.



CRAFT/ACTIVITY INSTRUCTIONS

WHAT YOU NEED:

- + JESUS PRAYING TEMPLATE
- + 2 PIECES OF CONTACT PAPER
- + TISSUE PAPER SQUARES (ASSORTED COLORS)
- + SCISSORS
- + TAPE

1. REMOVE THE PROTECTIVE BACKING FROM ONE PIECE OF CONTACT PAPER AND LAY IT ON A FLAT SURFACE ADHESIVE SIDE UP.
2. TAKE THE PRECUT TEMPLATE OF JESUS PRAYING AND LAY IT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE CONTACT PAPER, LEAVING SOME EXPOSED CONTACT PAPER AROUND THE TEMPLATE.
3. TAKE SINGLE SHEETS OF THE TISSUE PAPER SQUARES (ASSORTED COLORS) AND LAY THEM ON THE EXPOSED CONTACT PAPER AROUND JESUS PRAYING UNTIL ALL THE AREAS HAVE BEEN COVERED.
4. REMOVE THE PROTECTIVE BACKING FROM THE SECOND PIECE OF CONTACT PAPER AND CAREFULLY LAY IT (ADHESIVE SIDE DOWN) ON TOP OF THE TEMPLATE.
5. SMOOTH OUT ANY WRINKLES WORKING FROM THE INSIDE TO THE OUTSIDE.
6. TAPE YOUR PRAYING JESUS PICTURE ON A WINDOW TO ALLOW LIGHT TO SHINE THROUGH YOUR "STAINED GLASS"

***IF YOU DON'T HAVE CONTACT PAPER OR TISSUE PAPER, DON'T WORRY! YOU CAN CREATE THIS SAME CRAFT USING OTHER HOUSEHOLD ITEMS. (SUPPLY LIST AND INSTRUCTIONS ON NEXT PAGE)**



STORY 1

CRAFT/ACTIVITY INSTRUCTIONS (OPTION 2)

WHAT YOU NEED:

- + MARKERS**
- + ZIPLOC BAG**
- + JESUS PRAYING TEMPLATE**
- + TAPE**
- + SCISSORS**

- 1. PRINT OUT THE PRAYING JESUS TEMPLATE AND USE SCISSORS TO CUT IT OUT.**
- 2. PLACE THE TEMPLATE INTO THE ZIPLOC BAG**
- 3. USING THE TEMPLATE AS A GUIDE, COLOR THE OUTSIDE OF THE ZIPLOC BACK WITH THE MARKERS.**
- 4. ONCE THE PICTURE IS COMPLETE, REMOVE THE TEMPLATE FROM THE BAG AND TAPE THE ZIPLOC BAG ON A WINDOW TO SEE THE LIGHT SHINE THROUGH THE PICTURE.**
- 5. ALLOW TIME FOR THE MARKER TO DRY BEFORE DISPLAYING ON A WINDOW.**
- 6. IF YOU'RE CONCERNED ABOUT THE MARKER WIPING OFF, TURN THE ZIPLOC BAG INSIDE OUT TO PROTECT THE DRAWING FROM GETTING SMUDGED.**



STORY 2

JESUS PAYS THE ULTIMATE PRICE

THE MEN WHO ARRESTED JESUS BROUGHT HIM TO THE MOST POWERFUL MAN IN THE CITY, NAMED PONTIUS PILATE. THERE WERE PEOPLE IN THE CROWD WATCHING PILATE TALK TO JESUS, AND THE PEOPLE WANTED HIM TO CRUCIFY JESUS. PILATE GAVE THE PEOPLE WHAT THEY WANTED AND ORDERED JESUS TO BE CRUCIFIED. EVEN THOUGH JESUS HAD PERFORMED MIRACLES, AND HELPED SO MANY PEOPLE, THEY STILL DIDN'T BELIEVE IN JESUS.

THE SOLDIERS WHO WORKED FOR PILATE TORE JESUS' CLOTHES AND BEAT HIM WITH WHIPS. THEY TEASED HIM ABOUT BEING THE SO-CALLED KING OF THE JEWS, AND PUT A CROWN MADE OUT OF THORNS ON HIS HEAD. THEN THEY LED JESUS UP A HILL AND NAILED HIM TO A CROSS. AT THAT MOMENT THE SUN STOPPED SHINING FOR THREE HOURS. THIS WAS GOD'S WAY OF TRYING TO SHOW THE PEOPLE THAT JESUS REALLY WAS THE SON OF GOD. BUT THE SOLDIERS AND THE CROWD KEPT MAKING FUN OF JESUS. THEY TOLD JESUS TO GET DOWN FROM THE CROSS IF HE WAS TRULY GOD'S SON. JESUS COULD HAVE GOTTEN DOWN, OR CALLED ANGELS TO HELP HIM. BUT JESUS LOVED US SO MUCH THAT HE PRAYED TO GOD INSTEAD. JESUS SAID "FATHER PLEASE FORGIVE THEM. I PLACE MY LIFE IN YOUR HANDS," AND THEN JESUS HUNG HIS HEAD AND DIED. AT THAT MOMENT, THE SOLDIERS WHO KILLED JESUS REALIZED THAT HE REALLY WAS THE SON OF GOD.



CRAFT/ACTIVITY INSTRUCTIONS

EASTER BOOK (PART 1)

WHAT YOU NEED:

- + CRAYONS**
- + EASTER BOOK COLORING PAGES 1 AND 2**

- 1. DOWNLOAD/PRINT PAGES 1 AND 2 OF THE EASTER BOOK**
- 2. USING THE CRAYONS COLOR EACH OF THE PAGES.**
- 3. SET ASIDE TO COMBINE WITH EASTER BOOK PART 2.**



HE'S ALIVE!

AFTER JESUS DIED, HIS BODY WAS PLACED IN A TOMB AND A HUGE ROCK WAS PLACED OVER THE TOMB. GUARDS WERE ALSO PLACED IN FRONT OF THE TOMB BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T WANT ANYONE TO TAKE JESUS' BODY AWAY. JESUS' FRIENDS THOUGHT THAT HE WAS GONE FOREVER, AND THEY WERE VERY SAD. BUT, THREE DAYS LATER, AND THE ANGEL CAME FROM HEAVEN, ROLLED THE STONE AWAY FROM THE TOMB, AND JESUS ROSE AND CAME OUT OF THE TOMB. HE WAS ALIVE!

WHEN JESUS' FRIENDS CAME TO THE TOMB, THE ANGEL SAID TO THEM, "DON'T BE AFRAID. I KNOW YOU ARE LOOKING FOR JESUS WHO WAS CRUCIFIED, BUT HE IS NOT HERE. HE IS ALIVE! COME SEE THE EMPTY TOMB." JESUS' FRIENDS SAW THAT THE TOMB WAS EMPTY AND THEY WERE SO HAPPY! THEY LEFT THE TOMB AND WENT QUICKLY TO TELL EVERYONE THAT JESUS WAS ALIVE.

JESUS PROVED ONCE AND FOR ALL THAT HE WAS THE SON OF GOD WHEN HE ROSE FROM THE DEAD. NOW, WHENEVER WE DO SOMETHING WRONG, WE CAN ASK FOR GOD'S FORGIVENESS, AND GOD WILL FORGIVE OUR SINS BECAUSE OF THE SACRIFICE THAT JESUS MADE ON THE CROSS.



CRAFT/ACTIVITY INSTRUCTIONS

EASTER BOOK (PART 2)

WHAT YOU NEED:

- + CRAYONS**
- + COLORING PAGES 3 AND 4**
- + STAPLER**

- 1. DOWNLOAD/PRINT PAGES 3 AND 4 OF THE EASTER BOOK**
- 2. USING CRAYONS, COLOR EACH COLORING PAGE.**
- 3. ASSEMBLE THE PAGES IN NUMERICAL ORDER WITH THE COVER PAGE ON TOP.**
- 4. STAPLE THE BOOK PAGES TOGETHER.**
- 5. *IF YOU HAVE A HOLE PUNCHER: PUNCH 2 HOLES ON THE LEFT SIDE OF EACH PAGE. USING YARN THREAD THE YARN THROUGH EACH HOLE OF THE ASSEMBLED BOOK AND TIE A KNOT, BINDING THE BOOK TOGETHER. TAPE CAN ALSO BE USED TO BIND THE BOOK TOGETHER.**
- 6. ENJOY READING THE EASTER STORY BOOK YOU HAVE CREATED!**



STORY 4

JESUS RETURNS TO HEAVEN

EVEN THOUGH MANY OF JESUS' FRIENDS WERE EXCITED TO TELL EVERYONE THAT JESUS HAD RISEN FROM THE TOMB, SOME OF HIS FRIENDS WERE VERY AFRAID. AFTER ALL, IT IS HARD TO BELIEVE THAT A PERSON WHO DIED COULD COME BACK TO LIFE! SO, JESUS CAME TO HIS FRIENDS AND SHOWED THEM THE SCARS IN HIS HANDS. JESUS GOT THESE SCARS WHEN HE WAS NAILED TO THE CROSS, AND HE WANTED TO PROVE TO HIS FRIENDS THAT HE REALLY WAS ALIVE. THEN, JESUS' FRIENDS STARTED TO TELL EVEN MORE PEOPLE ABOUT JESUS, HIS DEATH, AND HIS RESURRECTION.

JESUS APPEARED TO MORE THAN 500 PEOPLE AFTER THAT, CONTINUING TO SHARE THE GOOD NEWS ABOUT GOD AND HIS LOVE. THE GOOD NEWS THAT JESUS AND HIS FRIENDS SHARED IS CALLED THE GOSPEL. AS FOLLOWERS OF JESUS, WE ARE SUPPOSED TO SHARE THE GOSPEL WITH OUR FRIENDS, TOO!

AFTER JESUS APPEARED TO SHOW THE PEOPLE THAT HE WAS ALIVE, HE WENT BACK UP TO HEAVEN. BUT, HE PROMISED THAT HE WOULD COME BACK TO TAKE ALL THE PEOPLE WHO BELIEVE IN HIM TO HEAVEN. WHILE WE WAIT FOR JESUS TO COME BACK, WE CAN SPEND OUR TIME BEING KIND TO OTHERS, SHARING WHAT WE KNOW ABOUT JESUS, AND ASKING JESUS TO CHANGE OUR MINDS AND HEARTS SO THAT WE CAN BE MORE LIKE HIM, AND BE READY WHEN HE RETURNS.



CRAFT/ACTIVITY INSTRUCTIONS

JESUS IN THE CLOUDS

WHAT YOU NEED:

- + WHITE FELT OR WHITE PAPER**
- + JESUS COLORING PAGE**
- + YELLOW CONSTRUCTION PAPER**
- + GLUE**
- + SCISSORS**
- + MARKERS OR CRAYONS**

- 1. WITH MARKERS OR CRAYONS COLOR THE JESUS COLORING PAGE, THEN CUT OUT THE PICTURE**
- 2. USING SCISSORS CUT OUT 2 CLOUD SHAPES OUT OF THE FELT OR PAPER**
- 3. CUT THE YELLOW CONSTRUCTION PAPER INTO THE SHAPE OF A LARGE ROUND SUN**
- 4. GLUE THE CLOUDS BEHIND THE FEET OF JESUS**
- 5. GLUE THE SUN BEHIND THE HEAD OF JESUS**
- 6. LET GLUE DRY**