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SUNDAY

MAY 31-PENTECOST

LEWINSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH-"BRINGING HOME THE MESS"

PENTECOST - THE HOLY SPIRIT COMES



Rushing Winds: Acts 2:1-2

"When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled, they were all in one place together. And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were."

Tongues of Fire: Acts 2:3

"Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them."

Holy Spirit: Acts 2:4

"And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim."

Rushing Winds...

Pin-less Pentecost Pinwheel

On the day of Pentecost the Holy Spirit appeared as wind and fire (Tongues of Fire) This craft is meant to help remind children of those two symbols.

You will need:

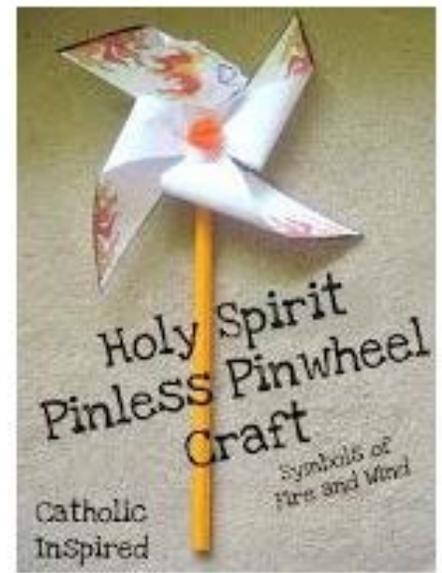
- A new pencil
- 3-inch pipe cleaner
- Paper Pinwheel (next page has 2 pinwheels)
- Scissors
- Hole punch
- Glue (something fast drying...gluesticks work)

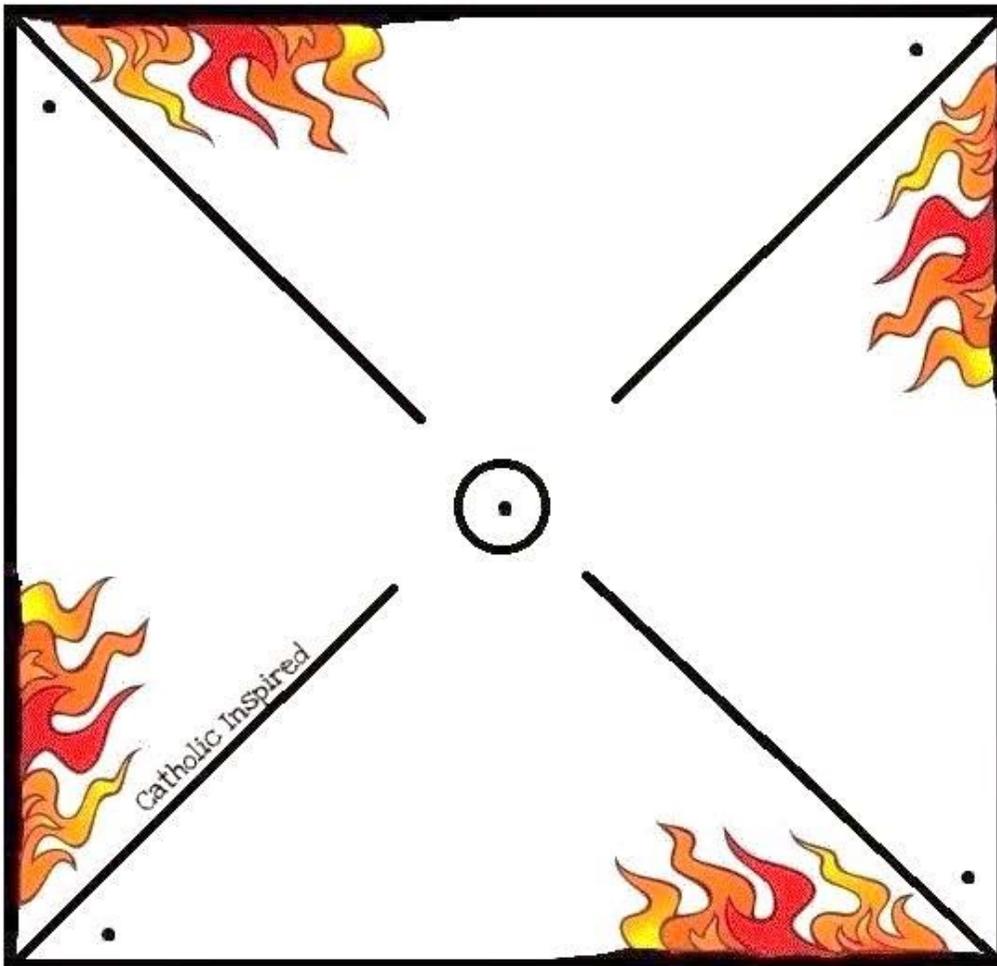
Instructions:

1. Cut out the paper pinwheels square. Cut the diagonal lines.
2. Glue the corners with the dots to the center, one on top of the other. Hold it in place until it's dry.
3. Create one hole through the center of the pin wheel using a hole punch. Be careful not to crush the pinwheel.
4. Cut out and **glue the fiery dove** to one of the pinwheel peddles. (**See update below)
5. Twist the pipe cleaner around the pencil top. Make sure it's tight.
6. Put the pipe cleaner through the pinwheel's center.
7. Wrap the end of the pipe cleaner around itself making a ball, but leave space to allow the pinwheel to spin.
8. Now give it a blow!

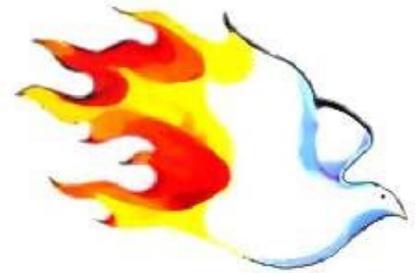
** CRAFT UPDATE....

We discovered that the dove needs to be added carefully or the pin-wheel has trouble spinning. You may prefer to just skip adding the dove because it can be frustrating to children. Sorry for any confusion or frustration.



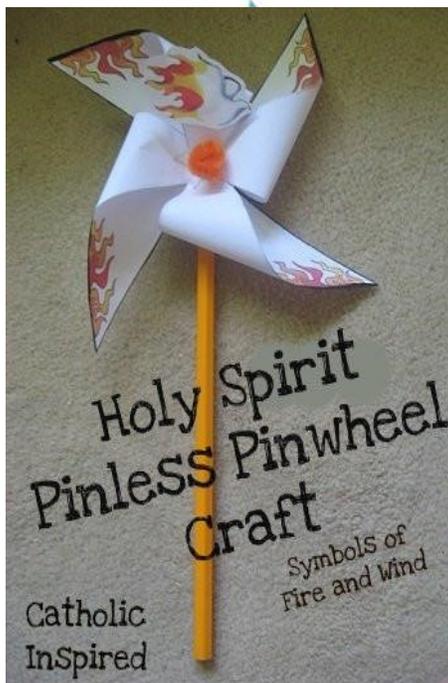


Pinwheel and Holy Spirit
for the
Symbols of the Holy Spirit
Pinless Pinwheel



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PENTECOST PRAYERS



Suddenly a sound from heaven like the howling of a fierce wind filled the entire house where they were sitting.
(acts 2)

Blow your prayers into the pinwheel.

Pray for love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. These are gifts of the Holy Spirit.

As you blow on the pinwheel, may your prayers fill the room.

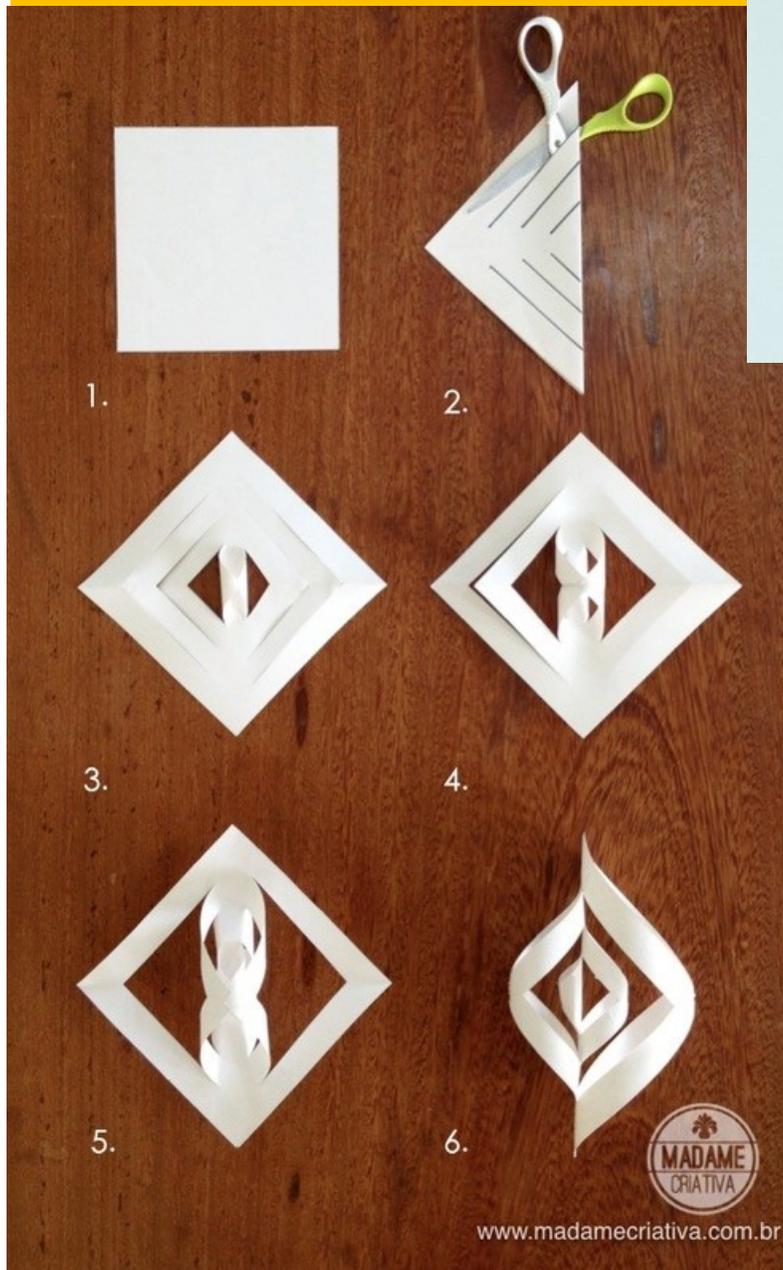
Tongues of Fire...

Paper Spinning Flame

MATERIALS:

- DOUBLE SIDED (RED, YELLOW) ORIGAMI PAPER OR REGULAR COLORED PAPER CUT INTO A SQUARE
- SCISSORS
- TAPE
- HOLE PUNCH AND STRING

CLICK ON THE PICTURE TO VIEW THE DIRECTIONS



1. CUT THE PAPER INTO A SQUARE SHAPE.
2. FOLD THE SQUARE INTO A TRIANGLE ONCE AND THEN AGAIN TWICE. FROM THE FOLD CUT SEVERAL STRAIGHT LINES LEAVING 1/2 INCH FROM THE END.
3. CAREFULLY OPEN THE SQUARE AND LAY IT FLAT. CURL UP AND TAPE THE CENTER CUT.
4. FLIP THE SQUARE OVER AND FOLD AND TAPE THE NEXT CUT.
5. FLIP THE SQUARE OVER AND FOLD AND TAPE THE THIRD CUT....CONTINUE IN THIS FASHION UNTIL ALL THE CUTS HAVE BEEN CURLED AND TAPED TOGETHER.
6. ATTACH A STRING AT THE TOP AND HANG YOUR "FLAME".

Holy Spirit!



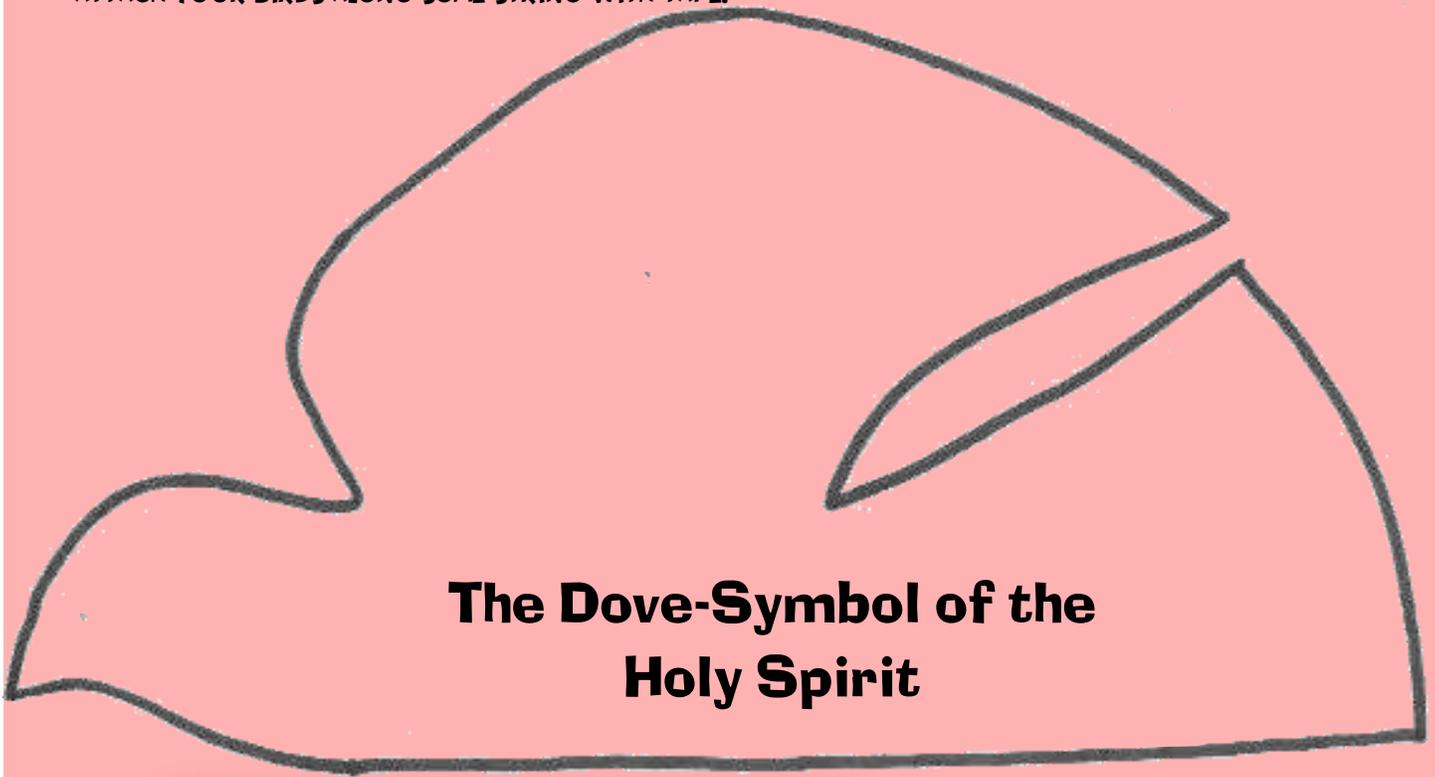
DIRECTIONS:

PRINT OUT AND CUT OUT THE TEMPLATE FROM CARD STOCK.

FOLD 2 OR 3 COFFEE FILTERS IN HALF AND LINE UP THE PATTERN SO THAT THE BELLY OF THE DOVE IS ON THE CREASE OF THE FOLD. INVITE YOUR CHILD OVER TO TRACE THE PATTERN!

CUT OUT YOUR DOVES! SINCE THE FILTERS ARE THIN, YOU CAN CUT 2 OR 3 AT A TIME. SEPARATE YOUR BEAUTIFUL BIRDS!

ATTACH YOUR BIRDS ALONG SOME STRING WITH TAPE.



The Dove-Symbol of the Holy Spirit



PAPER DOVE

MATERIALS:

- WHITE PAPER
- PENCIL
- SCISSORS
- GLUE OR GLUE STICK

BIG IDEAS FROM PAUL



BODY OF CHRIST COTTON BUD (Q-TIP) PAINTING

THIS CRAFT WILL GIVE CHILDREN THE CHANCE TO CREATIVELY AND VISUALLY REFLECT ON THE MAKE UP OF THE BODY OF CHRIST- DIFFERENT PEOPLE WITH DIFFERENT GIFTS BUT BELONGING TO THE SAME CHRISTIAN FAMILY AND WORKING TOGETHER FOR JESUS. PLUS IT INVOLVES PAINT AND THAT'S ALWAYS GOOD!

YOU WILL NEED: COTTON BUDS, CARD OR PAPER, PAINT

CUT THE CARD OR PAPER INTO A CROSS SHAPE OR FAINTLY DRAW A CROSS SHAPE ON THE PAGE. ASK CHILDREN TO DIP THEIR COTTON BUDS INTO THE PAINT AND MAKE DOTS OF COLOR TO COVER THE CROSS SHAPE. YOU WILL NEED LOTS OF COTTON BUDS SO THAT COLORS DON'T ACCIDENTALLY MIXED TOGETHER! CHILDREN CAN USE COLORS AND PATTERNS THAT REFLECT THEMSELVES AND THE PERSONALITIES OF OTHER CHRISTIANS THAT THEY KNOW.



THINK ABOUT:

HOW MANY PARTS OF THE HUMAN BODY CAN YOU NAME? WHAT JOBS DO THEY DO? HOW ARE THEY DIFFERENT FROM EACH OTHER? ARE THERE ANY WE DON'T NEED? WHICH PARTS OF THE BODY CAN'T YOU SEE? DO YOU KNOW WHAT THEY DO?

THINK ABOUT THE DIFFERENT PEOPLE IN YOUR FAMILY AND THE DIFFERENT PERSONALITIES AND GIFTS THEY BRING EVEN THOUGH THEY ARE ONE FAMILY UNIT.

WHAT DIFFERENT THINGS DO CHRISTIANS DO TO SHOW THEY BELONG TO JESUS AND THE CHRISTIAN FAMILY? IN CHURCH? AT HOME? AT WORK/ SCHOOL?

WHAT COULD YOU DO TO SHOW YOU ARE PART OF THE CHRISTIAN FAMILY? WHAT GIFTS DO YOU THINK THAT GOD HAS GIVEN YOU?

PRAY:

LOOK AT ALL THE DIFFERENT COLORED DOTS ON YOUR PAINTING AND THANK GOD FOR ALL THE DIFFERENT PEOPLE WHO ARE DOING DIFFERENT THINGS BUT WORKING TOGETHER FOR JESUS

for the **BODY**

is NOT one member,
but many?

If the FOOT

Should say to the HAND,

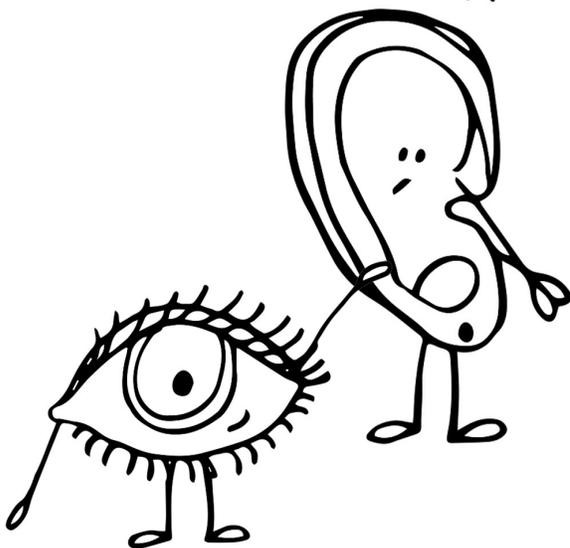
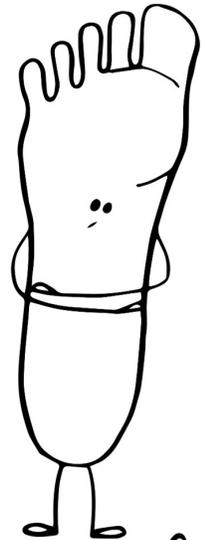
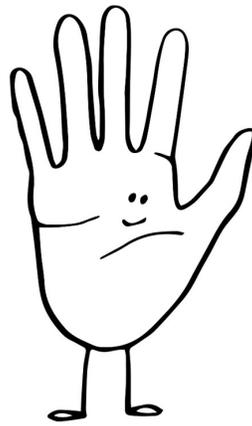
"Because I'm NOT the hand, I'm not part of
the BODY," it is NOT therefore

NOT part of the BODY. If the EAR

Should say, "Because I'm not the EYE,
I'm not part of the BODY,"

it's NOT therefore NOT part
of the BODY...

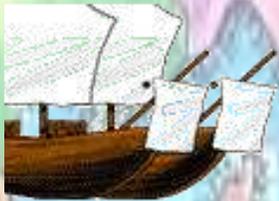
But NOW **GOD**
has set the
MEMBERS,
each one of them,
in the BODY,
just as
HE DESIRED. (m)



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Bible Pathway Adventures

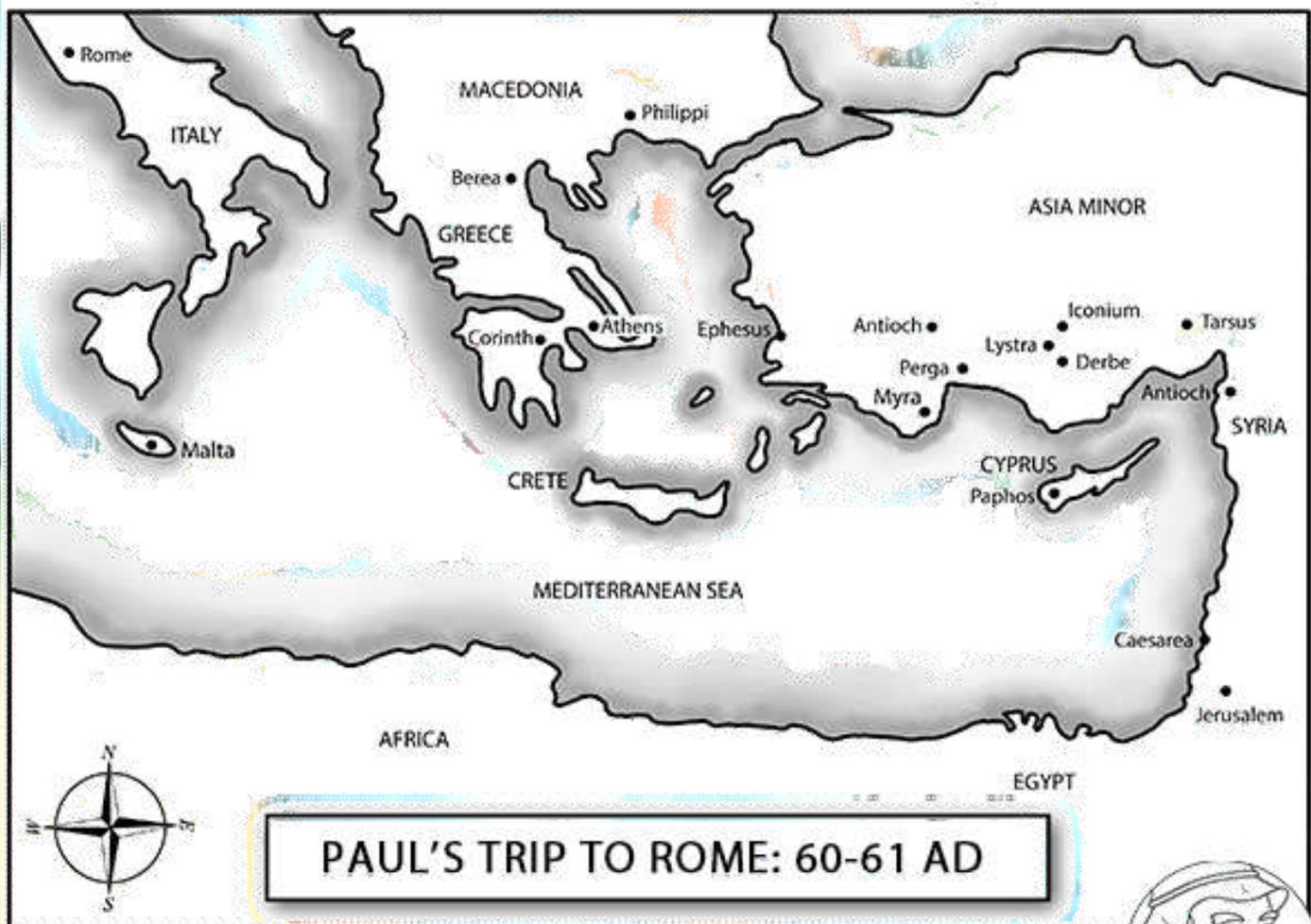
WORKSHEET



SHIPWRECKED!

Read Acts 27-28.

Trace Paul's journey from Jerusalem to Rome on the map.



Paul - Shipwrecked on Malta!

ACTS 27



CHILDREN LOVE TO ROLE PLAY AND USE THEIR IMAGINATION. THIS CRAFTS HELPS FACILITATE THE AMAZING, ADVENTUROUS STORY OF PAUL BEING SHIPWRECKED. FROM BEING VISITED BY AN ANGEL, BEING IN A STORM AT SEA FOR 14 DAYS, BEING SHIPWRECKED, AND MAKING THEIR WAY TO THE ISLAND OF MALTA, GETTING BITTEN BY A POISONOUS SNAKE AND SURVIVING, AND IN JESUS' NAME HEAL THE LOCALS!

MATERIALS:

PRINTER + PAPER

SCISSORS

CRAFT KNIFE

GLUE

STICKY TAPE

SHORT STICK (LIKE A TOOTHPICK, COCKTAIL STICK, ETC)

DIRECTIONS:

1. PRINT 1 PAGE PER CRAFT ON CARD STOCK.
2. CUT UP PIECES.
3. FOLD THE BACKGROUND PIECE SO THE GREY RECTANGLES ARE FLAT ON THE TABLE AND THE SKY IS 90° TO THE TABLE.
4. FOLD THE WAVES SO THE GREY RECTANGLE FOLDS BEHIND THE WAVE.
5. MATCH THE RECTANGLES BY NUMBERS AND GLUE WAVES TO BACKGROUND.
6. TAPE A COCKTAIL STICK TO THE BACK OF THE SHIP.
7. **ADULTS ONLY! USING A CRAFT KNIFE (STANLY KNIFE), CUT A SLIT BEHIND THE MIDDLE WAVE, LEAVING A THUMB SIZE SPACE AT THE EDGES.**

DONE! NOW YOU CAN INSERT THE BOAT (FROM THE TOP, NOT BOTTOM), AND HAVE FUN IMAGING THIS INCREDIBLE STORY.

NOTE: USE CARD STOCK BECAUSE IT'S A BIT THICKER THAN ORDINARY PRINTER PAPER.



GLUE #3

GLUE #2

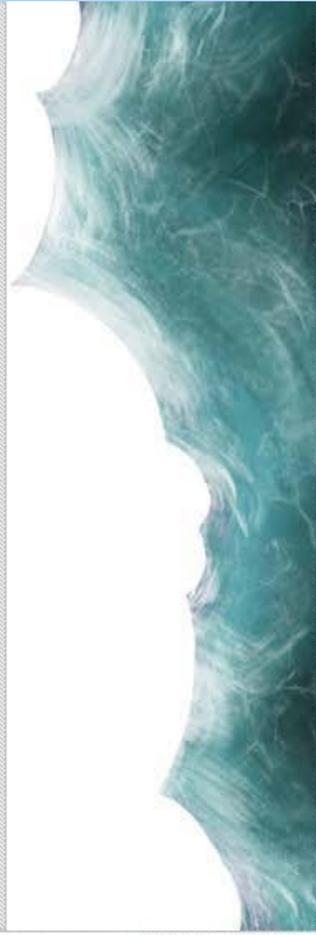
GLUE #1



#2



#3



#1

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PIPECLEANER & PERLER BEAD Snake Craft

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MATERIALS REQUIRED:

PIPE CLEANERS IN ASSORTED COLORS
PERLER BEADS IN ASSORTED COLORS
RED FELT

GLUE
GOOGLY EYES

ACTS 28:1-6

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INSTRUCTIONS:

1. START BY MAKING THE SNAKE'S HEAD. TAKE ONE END OF THE PIPE CLEANER AND BEND IT TO FORM AN OVAL SHAPE WITHOUT ANY EMPTY SPACES.
2. START ADDING PERLER BEADS OF DIFFERENT COLORS. STRING THEM ALONG BY INSERTING THEM THROUGH THE TAIL END OF THE SNAKE. YOU CAN CREATE A PATTERN OR JUST GO RANDOM!
3. TIME TO ADD A FRIENDLY FACE TO OUR LITTLE SNAKE! YOU CAN MAKE A TONGUE OUT OF RED FELT OR A PIPE CLEANER AND FIX IT WITH GLUE. STICK ON GOOGLY EYES AND YOUR SNAKE IS DONE!



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They had just come ashore from a shipwreck where the ship was lost but everybody survived. An angel of God had told Paul everybody would be saved. A poisonous snake attacks and bites him, but he suffers no ill effects, to the amazement of the onlookers. Even a poisonous snake could not stop Paul getting to Rome.

PENTECOST SUNDAE

CHOCK FULL OF HOLY SPIRIT AND PENTECOST SYMBOLISM.
DO YOU SEE IT?



- STRAWBERRY SYRUP - RED, THE SYMBOLIC COLOR OF THE HOLY SPIRIT AND THE LITURGICAL COLOR OF PENTECOST SUNDAY.
- DOVE CHOCOLATES-



- DOVE, THE MOST COMMON SYMBOL OF THE HOLY SPIRIT BECAUSE THE HOLY SPIRIT DESCENDED UPON JESUS IN THE FORM OF A DOVE AT HIS BAPTISM. (YOU CAN ALSO GET ACTUAL DOVE SHAPED CANDIES IN THE WEDDING SECTION OF CRAFT STORES.)
- TOPPED WITH A FIRE BALL!- WHAT, NO CHERRY? FIRE BALL, REPRESENTS THE 'TONGUES OF FIRE'. "THEN THERE APPEARED TO THEM TONGUES AS OF FIRE, WHICH PARTED AND CAME TO REST ON EACH ONE OF THEM." ACTS 2:3
- ALL SERVED ON VANILLA ICE CREAM! YUM, YUM!

