

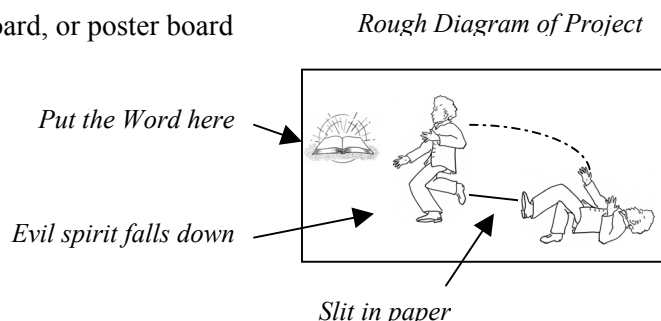
When an Evil Person Touches the Word

[In the spiritual world] if someone who believes falsities looks toward the Word, darkness covers his eyes and the Word then appears black to him. And if he touches the Word, there is an explosion which throws him into across the room, and he lies there for awhile as if he was dead.
(see *True Christian Religion* 209:3)

This project will allow a child to reenact what happens when an evil person in the spiritual world tries to touch the Word.

Suggested materials:

heavy paper such as cardstock, cover stock, tag board, or poster board
large piece of construction paper
scissors
tape or glue
crayons, colored pencils, or colored markers
optional: glitter
optional: drawings of evil spirit and the Word



Procedure:

1. Using the heavy paper, make a picture of a person reaching out his hand toward the Word. Because this person is in the spiritual world and doesn't believe in what is true, this person should look rather ugly and have messy hair. Cut out the picture of the person. (Help younger children cut out the person or show them how to cut out a large oval or circle around the figure.)
OR Color and cut out the attached picture of an evil spirit.
2. Take an 8.5" by 11" piece of paper and draw a beautiful picture of the Word toward one side of the page. When the angels look at the Word in heaven, it is very beautiful!
OR Color and cut out the attached picture of the Lord's Word in heaven.
3. Place the figure of the person so that he is touching the Word. You want to be able to pivot the figure to show how the explosion threw him back, into a corner. Here are two ways that you can finish the project:
 - a. Put a paper fastener (or brad) through the feet or lower legs of the figure so that you can tip the person backwards.
 - b. Attach a popsicle stick or pencil to the figure and then cut a slit in the paper so that the person can be moved back from the Word and rotated backwards.
4. Add a text slip on the project:

What happens when an evil person tries to touch the Word in the spiritual world?

Dramatizing the Action:

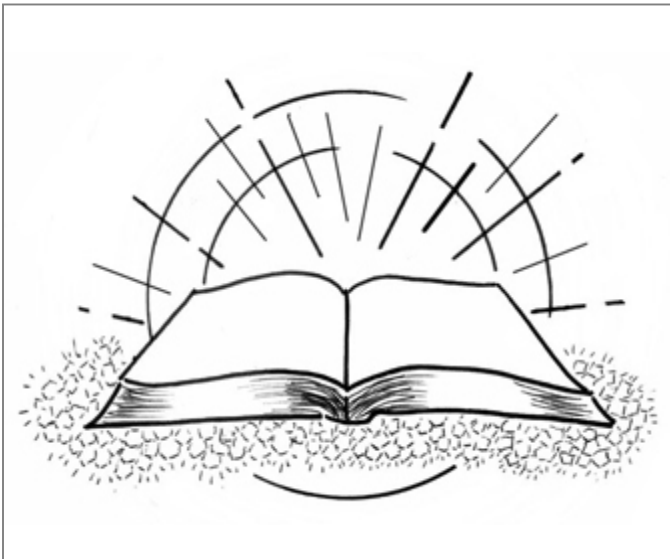
1. Talk about how the Word looks in heaven. It is very beautiful. It shines with light, sometimes looking like a great star or sun. And it has beautiful rainbows around it. The angels love the Lord's Word and see its beauty.
2. Evil people in the spiritual world can also look at the Word, but it doesn't shine with light for them. They don't believe the beautiful truths in the Word. Angels warn the evil spirits not to touch the Word. What happens if an evil spirit does touch the Word? There is a great explosion which throws him across the room. He is stunned for about an hour and lies on the floor as if he were dead. The truths of the Lord's Word are very powerful against evil!

Pictures of the Lord's Word in Heaven and an Evil Spirit

These are pictures that could be used for this project if you would rather not draw your own. Be sure to use beautiful colors for coloring the Word to show how it looks in heaven. To make it easier for younger children to cut them out, there is a rectangle around the Word and an oval around the person. Younger children should be encouraged to cut along these lines.

The person pictured here is a bad person who thought he could touch the Word in the spiritual world without being harmed. Because he falsified the truths of the Lord's Word, it was dangerous for him to touch it! Make his clothing and hair an ugly color to reflect ugly loves in his heart.

Picture of the Word to Color and Cut Out for Project



A Picture of an Evil Spirit Who Touched the Word

