

Lesson 39: RESURRECTION
Matthew 28

READING:

Have the children take turns reading the Easter story in **Matthew 28**. Then do the following project. (Or, you can read the story to them while they do the project.)

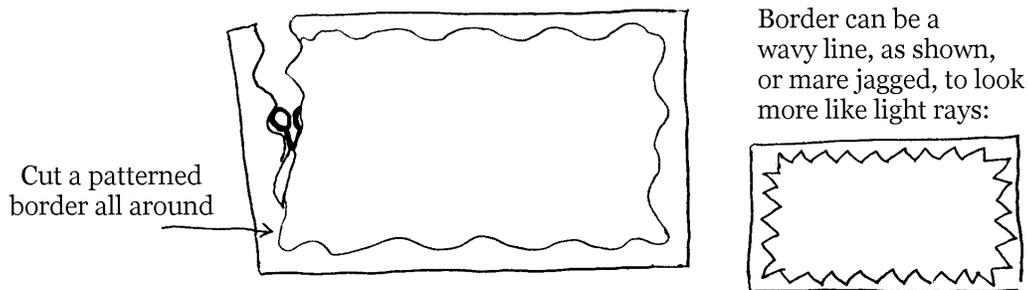
PROJECT: Chalk Picture

Supplies:

- Sheets of 11.5" x 17.5" paper, two for each child
- Art chalk in many colors
- Scissors for each child
- A roll of paper towels
- Newspaper
- Clear acrylic or fixative spray

Procedure:

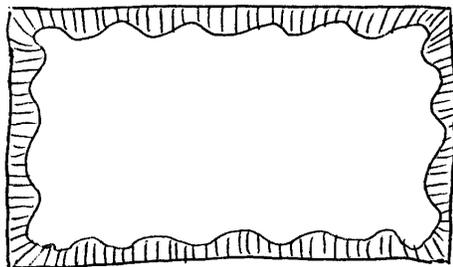
1. Spread out newspaper to cover the surface on which the children are working.
2. Have them each lay down a blank white 11.5" x 17.5" sheet of paper in front of them.
3. Have them choose one of the angel or Lord patterns to trace onto the center of that sheet, or have them draw their own shape from the Easter story.
4. Tell them that they will be gradually cutting closer and closer to the figure they have drawn or traced, to make many borders, one inside the other, to be the brilliant light coming from this vision. Show them how to make a first cut around the edge of the paper, an inch or two in from the edge, something like this:



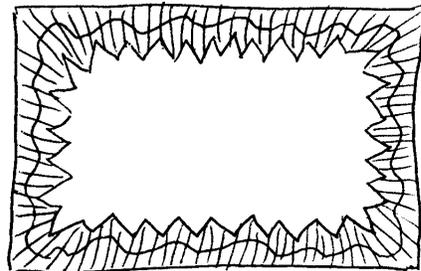
5. Once they've cut away the edge of the paper in this manner, have them lay this page down on top of the blank sheet that is lying in front of them, centering it so there is an edge all around.
6. Have them choose a piece of chalk (it is best to start with darker colors, and then move to the lighter ones later.) Have them rub chalk near the outer edge of the top piece of paper, all the way around.

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7. Now have them each take a paper towel and, holding the papers steady, wipe the color from the top paper onto the exposed part of the bottom paper, wiping right onto the newspaper to create a “rays of light” effect. When they finish doing this all the way around, they can lift the top paper and see the beautiful first border they have made.
8. Next, have them cut away another border on the top sheet of paper, again about an inch or two in, and repeat the process by again laying it down centered onto the bottom sheet, rubbing a new chalk color around the edge, wiping it *right over* the first color, and lifting to see the results.



Bottom paper after first rubbing

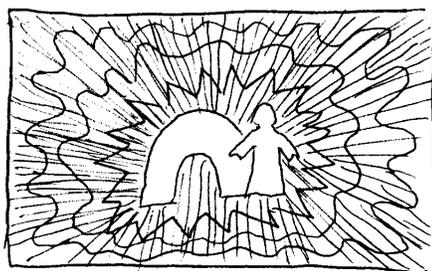


Bottom paper after second rubbing

9. Have them keep repeating this until they are cutting around the solid line that surround the figure of the Lord or the angel. Use this shape to perform the same process as they have been doing. When they lift this last pattern piece, they will have at the center a pure white angel or figure of the Lord.
10. If desired, the child can write “He is risen!” somewhere near the edge of the picture, perhaps with a dark marker.
11. When each child is finished, take his or her picture outdoors and coat it lightly with the fixative spray. This dries in just a few minutes, and it will keep the chalk from rubbing off onto anything it touches.

Examples:

EXAMPLES:

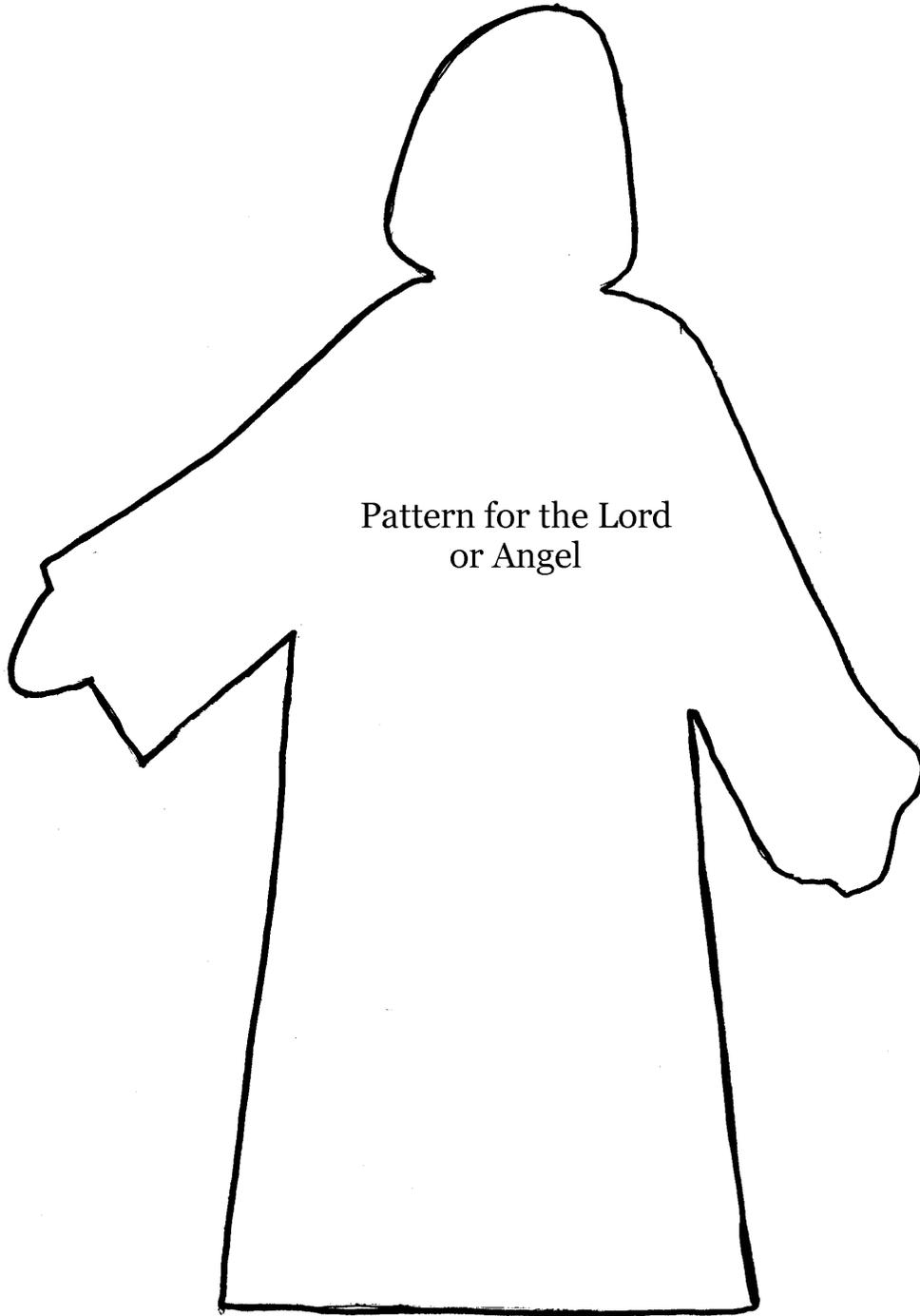


After final step

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Project Patterns



Pattern for the Lord
or Angel

Pattern for an Angel



Angel by the empty tomb pattern.

