Nunc Licet Temple Collage

Make a collage of the special temple that Emanuel Swedenborg saw in heaven.

Suggested Materials:

colored markers, colored pencils, or crayons glue scissors gold glitter paper for the background (8.5 x 11 inches, or larger to have additional room for Swedenborg, trees, flowers, *etc.*) pattern pieces (see below)

Note: This project is designed so that it can be used in one of two ways. Either use the pattern pieces to make templates that can be traced around to make collage pieces out of construction paper and other kinds of paper. Or use the pattern pieces themselves to make the collage—perhaps printing the patterns onto cover stock paper to make it a bit sturdier.

Procedure:

- 1) Talk with the children about the beauty of the temple. It had walls of crystal so that one could see through them as if they were windows. And the doors were made of something like pearl. The Word shone with a bright light. The angel nearby was clothed in gold and held a shining sword.
- 2) Give each child the collage pieces to color.
- Cut out all of the pieces. Then cut along the solid lines of the door of the temple. (The lines with dashes show where to fold the doors to open them.)
- 4) Take the background paper and place the large temple piece on it. (If making a larger collage with flowers and trees, etc. turn the background paper lengthwise before gluing the temple onto it.)
- 5) Then lay the roof piece just above it. Make sure both fit on the page before gluing down either piece! (*Note:* Children may need help with gluing the temple around the sides and top so that the doors can still open.)
- 6) Now put the angel inside the doorway and have him hold the sword in the air. Place the altar beside the angel and put the Word on top of it. Make sure all of these pieces fit within the doorway before gluing down any of them!
- 7) Optional steps:
 - a. Add some glitter on the temple or the angel's clothing.
 - b. Draw some beautiful flowers and trees beside the temple.
 - c. If you use a piece of paper larger than 8.5 by 11 inches, you could show Swedenborg standing beside the temple.









