

Crafts

Craft Activity: "Mountain of God Diorama"

Materials Needed:

- Cardstock paper or cardboard (for the base)
- Construction paper (green, brown, white, and blue)
- Scissors
- Glue sticks
- Cotton balls
- Aluminum foil
- Markers or crayons
- Small rocks or pebbles
- Stickers (optional)

Step-by-Step Instructions:

1. Prepare the Base:

- Cut a piece of cardstock or cardboard to serve as the base of the diorama.

2. Create the Mountain:

- Take a piece of brown construction paper and cut it into a large triangle to represent Mount Sinai.
- Cut smaller triangles in varying shades of brown to add layers to the mountain for texture and depth.
- Glue the mountain onto the base.

3. Add Snow to the Mountain:

- Tear small pieces of white construction paper or use cotton balls to create snow caps for the top of the mountain. Glue them at the top of the brown triangle.

4. Make the Cloud:

- Model the clouds hovering over the mountain by gluing cotton balls above the mountain peak to illustrate God's presence.

5. Create Lightning and Thunder:

- Cut thin strips of aluminum foil to represent the lightning and glue them coming from the clouds.

6. Decorate the Scene:

- Use green construction paper to cut out small bushes or trees and place them around the base of the mountain.
- Arrange some small rocks or pebbles at the foot of the mountain for added texture.
- Use blue construction paper to represent the sky and cut it out to fit the space above the clouds.

7. Add Final Touches:

- Use markers or crayons to draw any additional details such as more rock texture on the mountain or grass around the base.
- Optionally, add stickers or drawings of people at the foot of the mountain to represent the Israelites.

Reinforcement of Exodus 19 Lesson:

This diorama craft highlights the significant moment when God reveals Himself to Moses on Mount Sinai. Children will remember the awe and power of the event through creating a visual representation of the mountain, clouds, and lightning associated with this pivotal story. The activity allows students to collaborate, discuss the key themes of God's presence and power, and understand the setting where God gave Moses the Ten Commandments, reinforcing the lesson's importance effectively through hands-on creativity.