

Crafts

Craft Title: Celebrating God's Festivals Banner

Materials List:

- Large sheet of white or colored construction paper (poster size)
- Markers and crayons
- Safety scissors
- Glue sticks
- Yarn or ribbon
- Hole punch
- Stickers or decorative elements (like stars, fruits, or animals)
- Printouts of symbols for each festival mentioned in Leviticus 23 (one per child)
- Tape

Step-by-Step Instructions:

1. Introduction:

- Begin with a brief discussion about Leviticus 23, explaining that it outlines special festivals that God instructed the Israelites to celebrate.

2. Prepare the Banner:

- Distribute the large sheet of construction paper to each student.
- Encourage students to draw a border around the edge and label the top of the paper "God's Festivals."

3. Festival Symbols:

- Provide each student with printouts of simple symbols representing each festival (e.g., a sheaf of wheat for the Feast of Firstfruits, a tent for the Feast of Booths).
- Students can color and cut out the symbols.

4. Attach Symbols:

- Hand out glue sticks to attach the colored symbols onto their banner in the order the festivals occur in the chapter.

5. Decorate the Banner:

- Allow students to further decorate their banners using markers, crayons, stickers, and other decorative elements to make them vibrant and festive.

6. Make It Hangable:

- Use a hole punch to make holes at the top left and right corners.
- Thread a piece of yarn or ribbon through the holes, tying knots to secure the banner for hanging.

7. Summary:

- Gather the students and allow them time to present their banners and say a line about one festival that stands out to them.

Reinforcement of Lesson:

This craft helps reinforce the lesson of Leviticus 23 by allowing students to visualize and remember the festivals through symbols and engaging decoration. By creating a tangible banner, they

connect with the themes of celebration and thankfulness, understanding the importance of observing special times as outlined in the scriptures. The act of discussing each festival as they create the symbols further embeds the events and their meanings in the students' minds.