

Crafts

Craft Activity: "Promise Bracelet"

Objective:

This craft helps students understand the theme of making commitments and valuing promises as seen in Leviticus 27, which focuses on the dedication and valuation of offerings made to God.

Materials List:

- Colorful yarn or embroidery thread
- Beads (various colors and sizes)
- Scissors
- Small pieces of paper
- Hole punch
- Pens or markers

Instructions:

1. Introduction (5 minutes):

- Briefly explain the concept of commitments and promises from Leviticus 27, emphasizing that making promises and offering oneself or possessions to God is an act of dedication and faith.
- Discuss how promises are valuable and important to keep.

2. Cut the Yarn (5 minutes):

- Give each student three strands of different colored yarn or thread, each about 12-18 inches long. Explain that the three strands represent how life can be more meaningful when promises to God are kept and intertwined with daily life.

3. Create the Bracelet Base (10 minutes):

- Instruct students to tie a knot with the three strands at one end, leaving a tail for tying.
- Show them how to braid the strands together, periodically adding beads into the braid as symbols of the promises they are making.

4. Add Personalized Promise Tags (10 minutes):

- Give each student a small piece of paper to write a simple promise or commitment they wish to make, whether it's a promise to help others, be kind, or pray regularly.
- Punch a hole in the paper, and thread it onto the bracelet.

5. Finish the Bracelet (5 minutes):

- Once the braiding is complete, help students tie off the end with a knot, leaving enough yarn to tie the bracelet around their wrist.

6. Class Discussion and Sharing (10 minutes):

- Encourage students to share the promise written on their tag with the class if they feel comfortable.
- Conclude by emphasizing that just as the bracelet keeps their little promise close, they should try to keep their everyday commitments.

Reinforcement:

This craft reinforces the lesson from Leviticus 27 by allowing children to create a tangible reminder

of their commitments. The act of braiding symbolizes the intertwining of promises with their lives, while the beads represent the value and beauty of keeping those promises. The activity encourages students to visualize the importance of dedication and think critically about how they can incorporate these values into their daily lives.