Crafts

Craft Activity: "Promised Land Diorama"

Materials List:
- Shoe boxes or small cardboard boxes (one per student)
- Construction paper (green, blue, and various other colors)
- Scissors
- Glue sticks
- Markers or crayons
- Small figurines or cut-outs (e.g., people, animals)
- Cotton balls (for clouds)
- Tissue paper (for mountains or hills)
- Stickers (optional)
- Tape

Step-by-Step Instructions:

1. Prepare the Box:
- Begin by turning the shoe box on its side, so the open side faces out. This will be the base for the diorama.

2. Create the Background:
- Cut a piece of blue construction paper to fit the back of the box and glue it in place to represent the sky.
- Use cotton balls to create clouds and glue them onto the blue paper.

3. Build the Land:
- Cut green construction paper to fit the bottom inside of the box to represent the land. Glue it down.
- Use pieces of tissue paper to make hills or mountains and attach them to the back or sides of the box.

4. Add Elements:
- Let students create additional elements such as rivers, trees, or stones using paper or markers. Encourage creativity in depicting the landscape of the Promised Land.
- Students can draw or cut out figures that represent the Israelites and place them in their dioramas. Use small figurines or paper cut-outs for this.

5. Decorate and Personalize:
- Use markers or crayons for additional details, like flowers or animals.
- Stickers can be added to embellish the scene further.

6. Display:
- Once completed, each student can present their diorama to the class and share their understanding of the land God promised to the Israelites.

Reinforcement of the Lesson:
This craft activity allows students to visually and tangibly engage with the concept of the Promised Land as discussed in Deuteronomy 7. By creating the diorama, students can reflect on the

significance of the land promised by God and the faithfulness required to follow His commands. As they discuss their creations, students can make connections between the biblical lesson and the themes of trust and obedience, understanding the enduring importance of God's promises.