

Crafts

Craft Activity: "David's Shield of Protection"

Materials List:

- Cardstock or sturdy paper
- Scissors
- Markers or crayons
- Aluminum foil
- Glue sticks
- Decorative stickers or gems
- Hole punch
- String or yarn

Step-by-Step Instructions:

1. Draw the Shield:

- On the cardstock, have the students draw a large shield shape. Use an example to guide them if needed.

2. Cut out the Shield:

- Assist students in cutting out their shield shape from the cardstock.

3. Decorate with Aluminum Foil:

- Cover the front of the shield with pieces of aluminum foil. Use glue to stick the foil smoothly over the surface, making it look metallic.

4. Design the Shield:

- Using markers or crayons, students can decorate their shields. Encourage them to add symbols or words that represent protection, strength, and faith.

5. Add Decorations:

- Adorn the shield with stickers or gems to make it vibrant and personalized.

6. Attach a Handle:

- Flip the shield to the back and glue two strips of cardstock as handles or hand grips. Ensure they are firmly attached so the shield can be held comfortably.

7. Punch Holes and Add Strings (Optional):

- Punch a hole on each side of the shield's top and thread a piece of yarn through, tying knots on each end. This allows the shield to be hung or displayed.

Connection to the Lesson:

In 2 Samuel 21, David exemplifies the qualities of leadership and protection as he addresses the famine and defends Israel from their enemies. Creating "David's Shield of Protection" reinforces the lesson of God's protection and David's role as a protector of his people. By designing personal shields, students engage with the concept of protection — both divine and communal — and reflect on how they, too, can embody protective qualities in their daily lives.