Crafts

Craft Activity: "Sharing Hands" Craft

Materials List:
- Construction paper (variety of colors)
- Scissors
- Glue sticks
- Crayons or markers
- Stickers (optional)
- Hand wipes (for clean-up)

Step-by-Step Instructions:
1. Begin by talking about the story in Acts 5, focusing on the importance of sharing and being honest.

2. Have each child select a piece of construction paper. This will be the base of their handprint craft.

3. Ask each child to trace one of their hands on a piece of construction paper using a crayon or marker. If necessary, assist younger children with the tracing.

4. Carefully cut out the traced hand shapes. Offer assistance with scissors as needed for safety.

5. Using another color of construction paper, cut out simple shapes (e.g., hearts or circles) that represent sharing or gifts.

6. Invite the children to glue their cut-out hand onto the base paper. Encourage them to also glue the shapes onto the hand or around it.

7. Allow the children to decorate their handprints and shapes with crayons, markers, and stickers. Encourage them to draw or write things they can share with friends or family.

8. As the children work, reinforce the lesson by discussing how sharing makes everyone happy and helps us be closer to our friends, just like in the community from the story.

9. Once the crafts are completed, you can display them in the classroom as a reminder of the lesson.

Reinforcement of the Lesson:
This craft reinforces the story from Acts 5 by focusing on the themes of sharing and honesty. The act of creating a handprint reminds children of their own ability to give and share with others. Discussing and decorating with the ideas of what can be shared helps solidify the lesson of community and generosity, encouraging preschoolers to practice these values in their daily interactions.