

Friendship Challenge

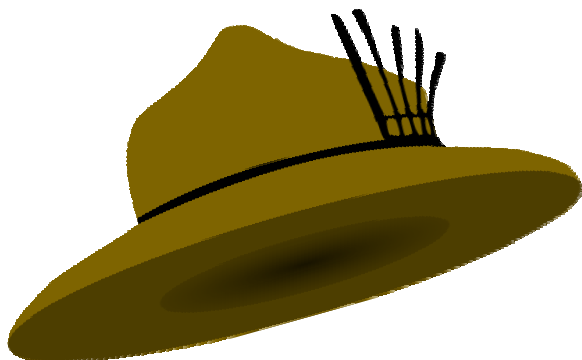
God Is Your Friend

Part 2



God has given us a world to live in that is full of beauties and wonders and He has given us not only eyes to see them but minds to understand them, if we only have the sense to look at them in that light.

Sir Robert Baden-Powell



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God Loves Me I Love God Too

*In What Ways does God show us his love and
in what ways do we love him in return....*

God loves me...

He gives me the fields, animals and birds to enjoy
He gives me friends to play with
He gives me my family who love me
He gives me my Leaders and other Beaver Scouts to be with.
He is with me always: when I am Happy, when I am Sad, when I feel
lonely, when I am playing...

I Love God too...

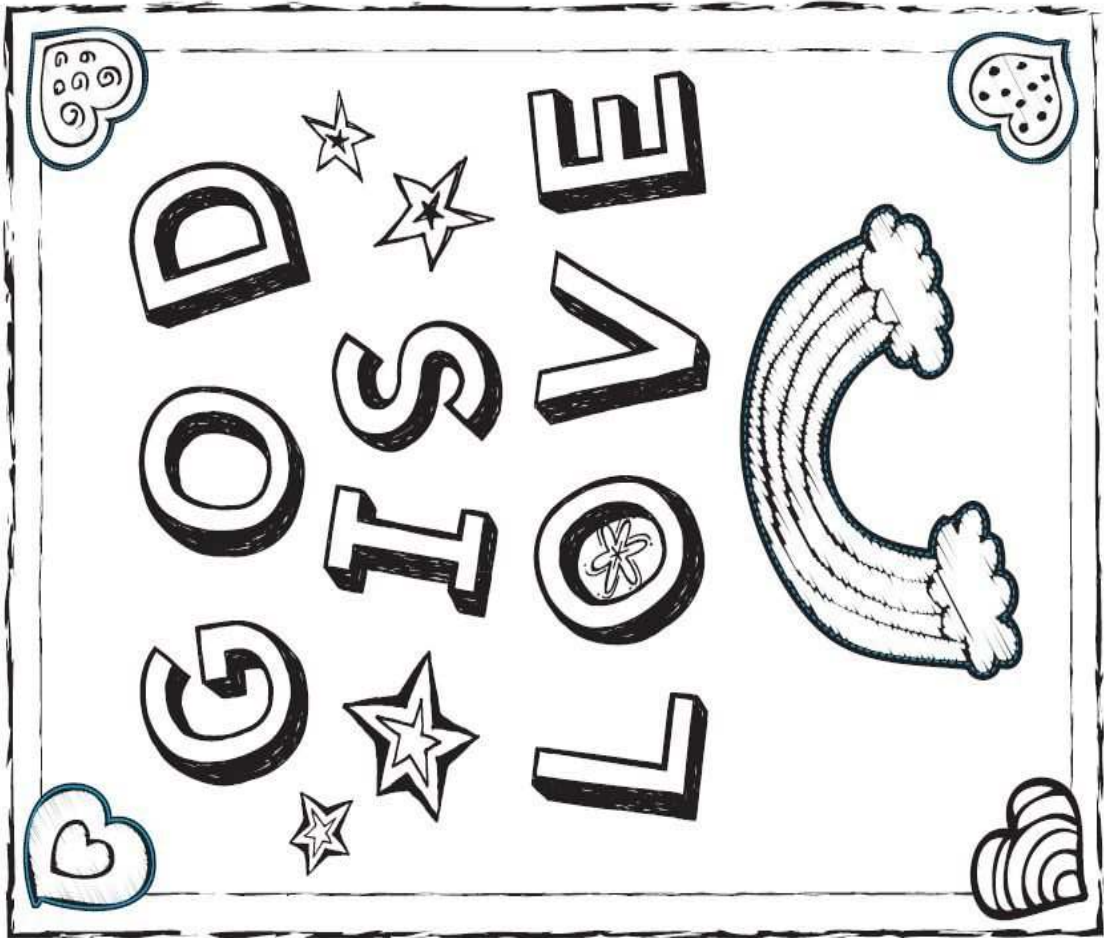
I speak with Him
I thank Him
I take care of all the things that He has given me
I protect the living things around me
I love the people around me as He does with me
I leave a place better than the way I found it.

Log Chew

- Then give each Beaver a large sheet of paper and a pencil.
- Ask the Beavers what God means to them and they write/draw what God means to them.
- Then each Beaver gets a turn at showing his picture and telling its story.
- Discuss the above with the Beavers.

At the end of the meeting instead of the usual prayer, ask each Beaver Scout to say his own prayer to God.

Card Template



God's Eye

The God's Eye started as a traditional craft from the Huichol tribe of Mexico.

It was made when there was a celebration in a particular house or when a house was blessed. This ensured that the household and its occupants lived under God's vigilant eye at all times and had His blessing continuously.



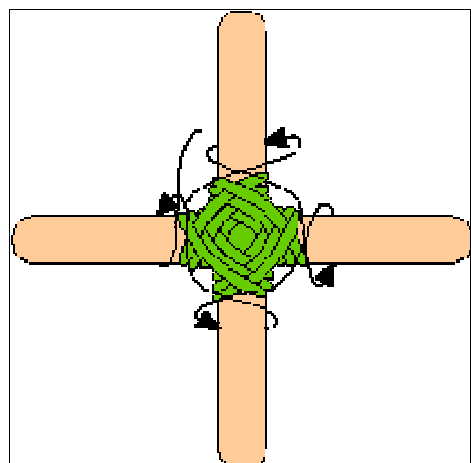
Kids can easily create many of these colorful God's Eyes with Popsicle sticks and yarn as shown the below.

What you'll need:

- String or yarn in several colors
- 2 Popsicle or craft sticks
- Glue
- Scissors

How to do it:

- Glue the two craft sticks together in a cross.
- Take one color of yarn and wrap it over and around one stick, then over and around the next, over and around the next, and so on.
- Keep doing that until the color is used up.
- Tie a different color string onto the old one with a tight knot.
- Repeat steps 2 and 3 until complete.
- Take a piece of string for a hanger, cut it, and tie or glue it to your God's Eye.
- Hang it up in your room to enjoy.



Peace Boot

God teaches us that to be good friends we have to be at peace with the World.

The Peace Boot symbolizes the journey that we have to do in order to make peace with someone. You have to put some effort into something for it to work. Things do not just happen by themselves. So no more fighting! Let us put the effort into something more craftilicious!



This Craft can be used as a gift for someone. Alternatively we can hang it in our room as a reminder that we have to keep the peace with world.

What you'll need:

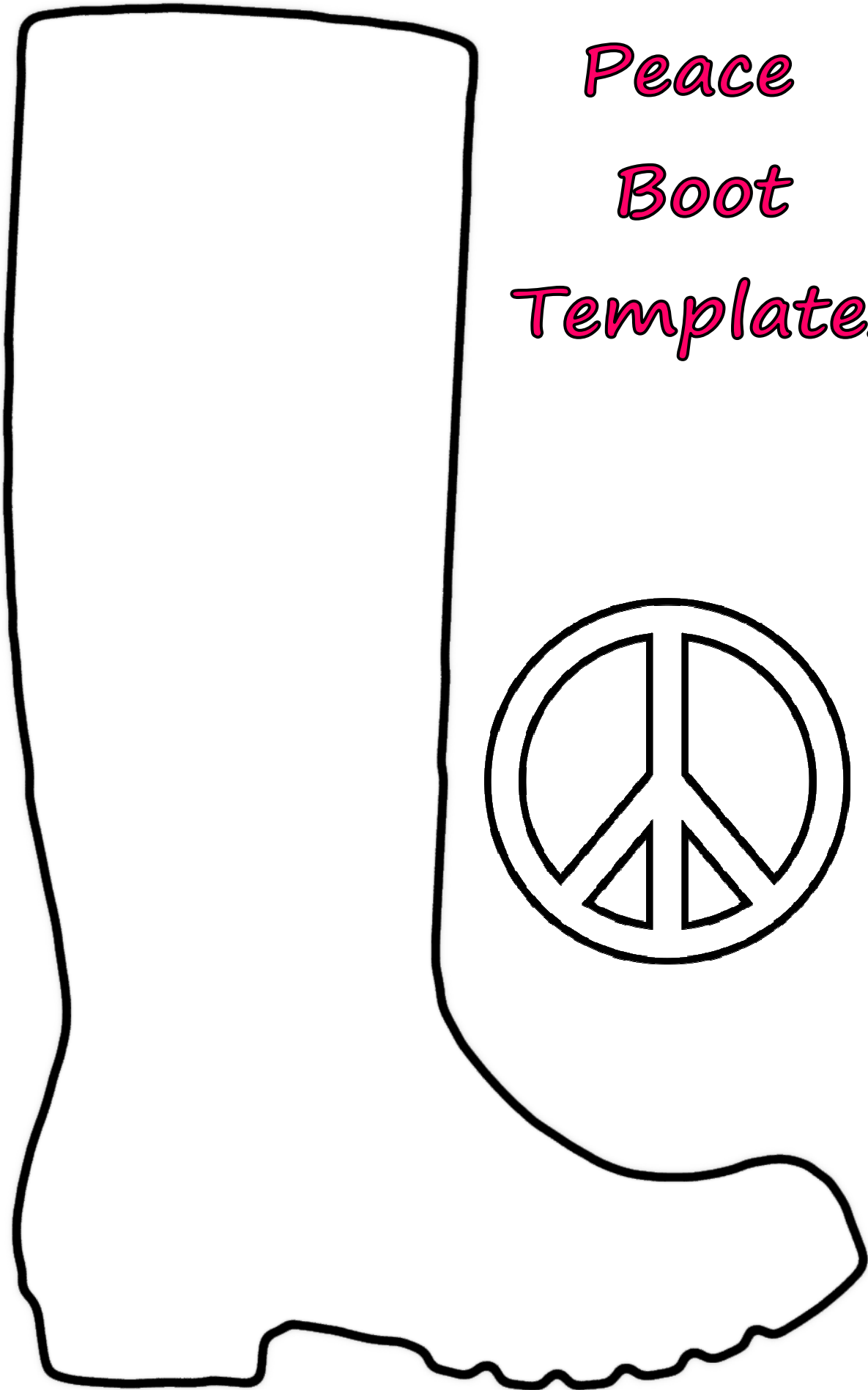
- Boot template
- Peace sign picture
- Kite paper
- Cardboard paper
- Coloured yarn
- Glue
- Scissors
- Hole puncher

How to do it:

- Cut out the boot template from cardboard paper.
- Cut out small squares of kite paper
- Glue the squares onto the boot covering it completely
- Put the peace sign in the middle of the boot
- With a hole puncher make a hole at the top of the boot.
- Thread the coloured yarn through the hole.



*Peace
Boot
Templates*



A Simple Friendship Bracelet

God wants us to show our friends that we care and that we should always celebrate the gift of friendship. Then why not show it to the whole world?

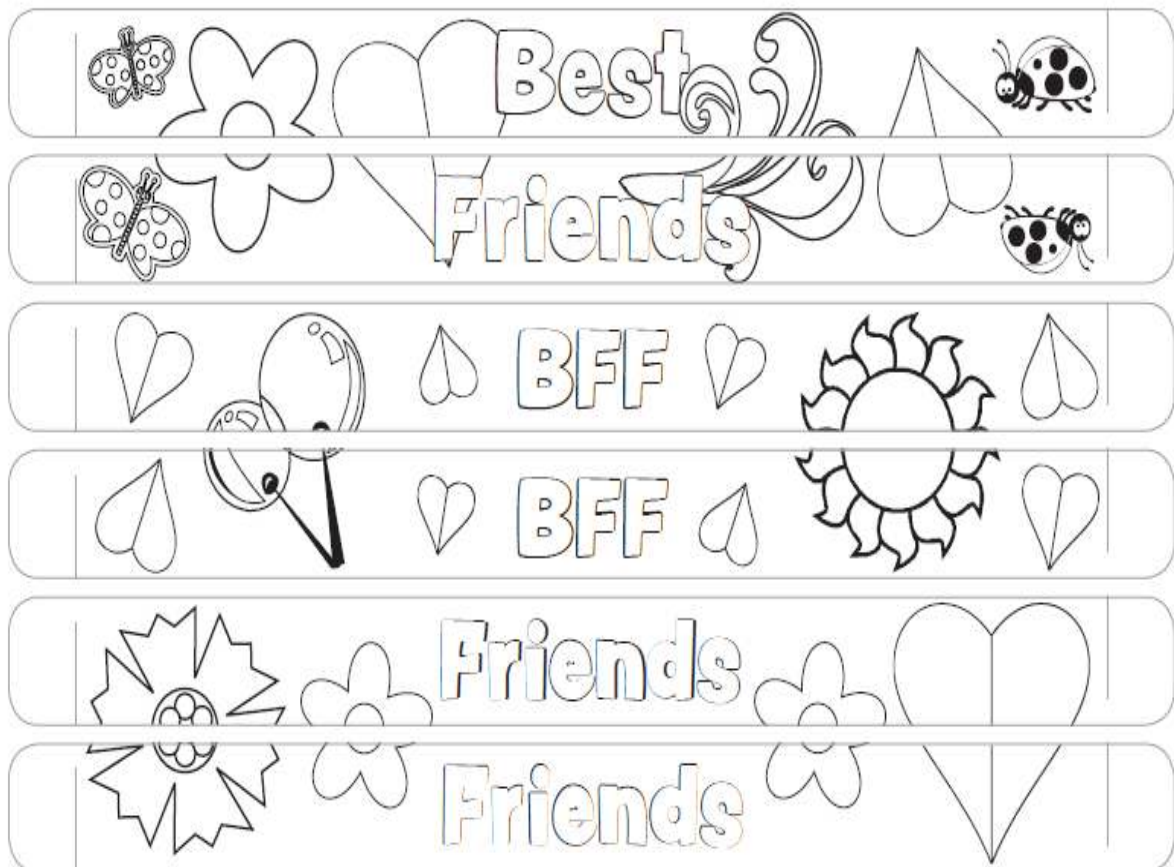
What you'll need:

- Bracelet template
- Bright Colours
- Scissors
- Decorations—sequins, glitter glue, etc.



How to do it:

- Enlarge and print the template on cardboard paper.
- Cut out the bracelet template.
- Colour it in.
- Put a small slit at each end so that the ends will slide through each other and the bracelet will not open up.



Nativity Stick Puppets

What you'll need:

- Nativity Pictures
- Scissors
- Glue
- Colours—Pencil Colours / Crayons / Markers
- Ice Lolly sticks or Wooden Clothes Peg
- Glitter Glue to decorate
- Craft Foam or Felt
- Ribbons



How to do it:

- Print out Nativity pictures
- Cut them out
- Colour them in
- Decorate them
- Stick them onto the Ice Lolly Sticks or the Wooden Clothes Pegs

Variation:

Instead of using nativity pictures, try your hand at building the puppets as shown in the picture below.

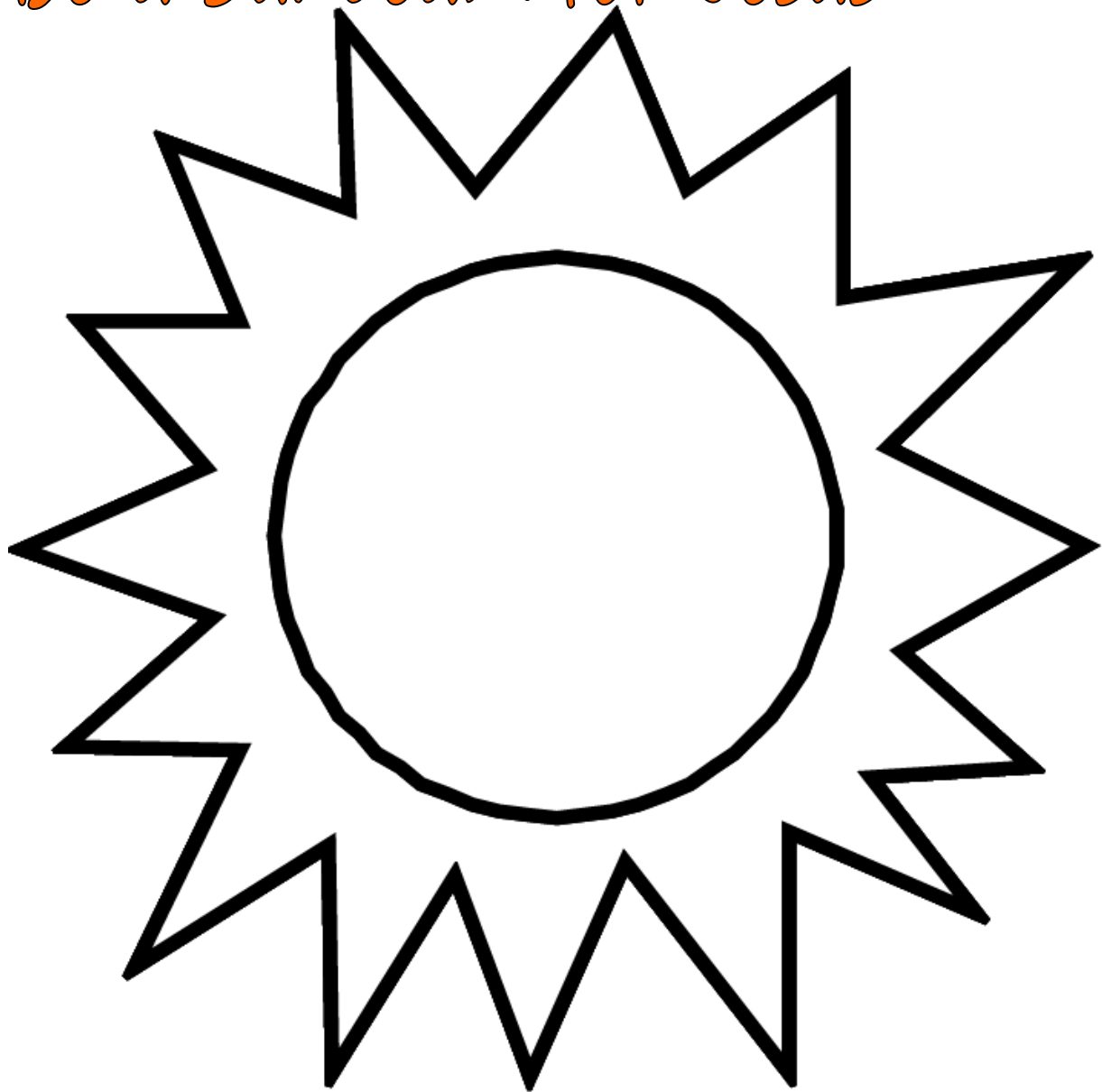
LOG CHEW:

Why not try and having your very own Beaver Colony Stick puppet show??!! The Beavers can recount the Nativity story using their stick puppets.

In an other chapters you will even find how to build your own small theatre.



Be a Sunbeam for Jesus



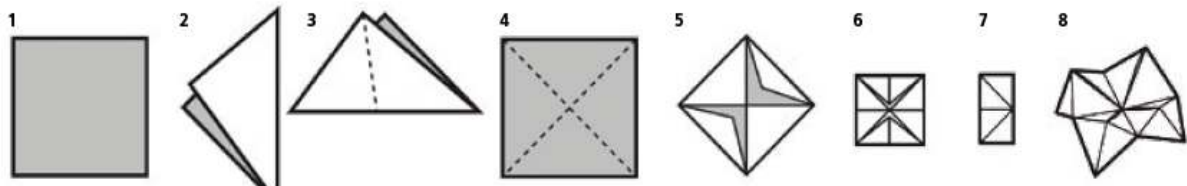
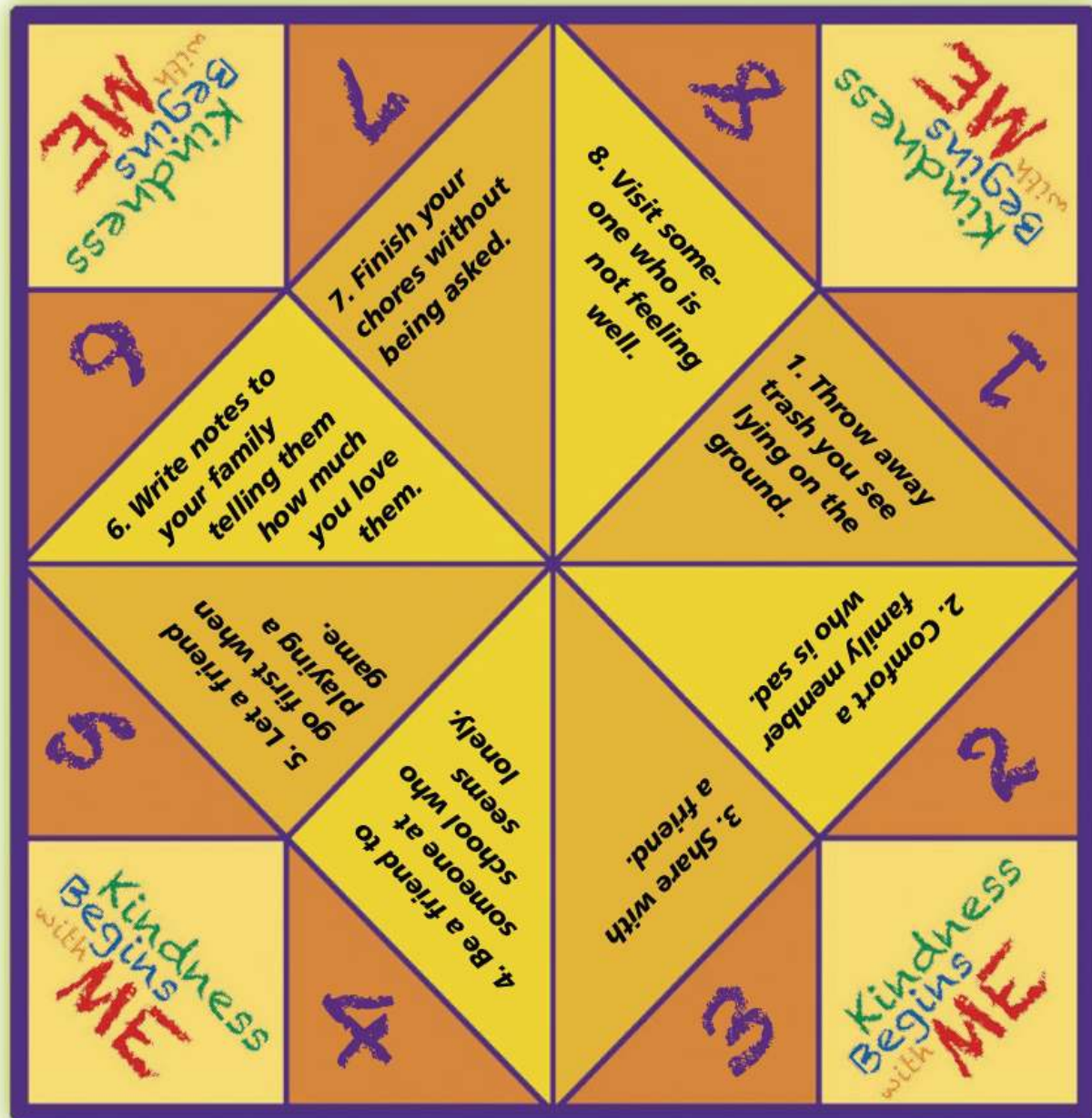
A wise man went to church, he heard the song "Jesus Wants Me for a Sunbeam." You can be a sunbeam in your family by doing kind deeds and leaving cheery thank-you notes.

This is how:

- Trace the sun shape onto a piece of thin paper, and cut it out.
- Write the name of a family member on one side of the sun, and then color it in your favorite sunny colors.
- On the other side, write a note thanking a family member for something he/she does for you.
- Do a secret kind deed for that person, such as making a bed or folding clothes, and leave a sunshine note.

Kindness Catcher

Kindness Begins with ME



A Story of Faith

Daniel in the Lion's Den

Paul Dallgas-Frey



Some people don't like it when you always do what is good and right. I guess it's because it makes THEM look bad. That's what happened with Daniel.

The King of Babylon, King Belshazzar, died, and Darius the Mede became the new king.

King Darius decided to appoint a hundred and twenty supervisors and governors to help rule over his kingdom. And he made Daniel and two others their boss. The other supervisors and governors didn't like it. Daniel worked harder, and did much better work than any of them. The King was so impressed he was going to put Daniel in charge of the whole kingdom.

"We have to do something about this Daniel," the supervisors, the governors, the lieutenant governors, and all the other officials said to themselves. But no matter how hard they looked, they couldn't find anything wrong with Daniel because Daniel was completely faithful and honest in everything he did.

"Maybe we can use his religion against him," they said.

And so they came up with a devious plan. They came before King Darius one day and said, "King Darius! May you live forever! All of us who help to rule your kingdom; the supervisors, the governors, the lieutenant governors, and all the other officials, think that it would be very wise of you to issue a command that for thirty days no one should be able to ask for anything from any god or man except you, O Great and Mighty King. And if anyone should ask for anything from any god or man besides you, they should be thrown into the lions' den."

King Darius accepted the idea of the supervisors, the governors, the lieutenant governors, and all the other officials, and signed the decree.

It became a law of the Medes and Persians that could not be changed.

Daniel heard the King's decree, but still, the next morning he went to his window to pray, just as he did every morning, noon and night.

This was exactly what the supervisors, the governors, the lieutenant governors, and all the other officials were looking for.



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They went straight to the king.

“Your Majesty, may you live forever!” they said. “Didn’t you sign a decree that said for thirty days no one should ask for anything from any god or man except you, O Great and Mighty King. And if anyone should ask for anything from any god or man besides you, they should be thrown into the lions’ den?”

“Yes,” said the king. “It is a law of the Medes and Persians that cannot be changed.”

Then the supervisors, the governors, the lieutenant governors, and all the other officials said, “We saw Daniel praying to his God this very morning! He does not respect you or your order.”

When King Darius heard this news he was very sad. He knew that Daniel was a good and honest man, who served him faithfully. And so he worked into the night, trying to find some way to rescue Daniel. But he couldn’t.

The supervisors, the governors, the lieutenant governors, and all the other officials came back the next morning and demanded, “Your Majesty, you know a law of the Medes and Persians can never be changed. Daniel must be thrown into the lions’ den!” Which was just what they wanted all along.

And so, the king had no choice but to have Daniel thrown into the lions’ den. The King said to Daniel, “May the God whom you serve so faithfully save you!”

And then the king’s men grabbed Daniel and threw him into a pit filled with pacing, roaring, hot-breathed lions.



They rolled a stone over the mouth of the den, and the King sealed it with his royal seal, so that no one could move the stone and rescue Daniel.

That night, the king could not sleep at all.

The first thing the next morning, just as the sun was beginning to rise, the king ran to the lions’ den.



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He shouted out, “Daniel! servant of the living God! Was the God you serve so faithfully able to save you from the lions’ jaws?”

“Daniel...?”

“May your majesty live forever!” Daniel called from inside the lions’ den. “God sent his angel to shut the lions mouths all through the night. God has saved me so that you will know that I am innocent, and I have served you faithfully!”

The king was so happy. Immediately he ordered his servants to pull Daniel from the lions’ den. There wasn’t even a scratch on him. Everyone saw that Daniel had trusted God, and God had saved him.

And then the king sent for all the supervisors, the governors, the lieutenant governors, and all the other officials who had accused Daniel. They were in trouble now! Right then and there, the king had them arrested and thrown into lions’ den themselves.

The lions were not so friendly this time.

Then King Darius issued a new decree. It said,

“Greetings, people of all nations, races, and languages!

I, King Darius, decree that all people everywhere should honor and fear the God that Daniel serves so faithfully.

He is the living God
who rules for all time.
His kingdom will never end,
and his power will last forever.

He rescues and he saves.
He can do mighty things,
for he has saved Daniel from
the lions’ jaws!”



Once again, Daniel was faithful.

And God was able to show us that he is always able to do great and wonderful things.

A Beaver's Prayer



Dear Lord,

Help me be a Good Beaver

Always busy and bright.

Be with those who are dear to me

And help me do things right.



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Games



MY SECRET FRIEND

Every member of the group puts his or her name on the scrap of paper and puts it in the bag. When everybody has finished shake the bag, carefully. Then let your beavers take one of the scraps & secretly read the name. This person will be her/his secret friend during the game. At the end of the game all beavers are to find out who the secret friend of hers/his is.



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Songs

Jesus wants me For a Sunbeam



Jesus wants me for a sunbeam,
To shine for him each day;
In ev'ry way try to please him,
At home, at school, at play.

Chorus

A sunbeam, a sunbeam,
Jesus wants me for a sunbeam.
A sunbeam, a sunbeam,
I'll be a sunbeam for him.

Jesus wants me to be loving
And kind to all I see,
Showing how pleasant and happy
His little one can be.

Chorus

A sunbeam, a sunbeam,
Jesus wants me for a sunbeam.
A sunbeam, a sunbeam,
I'll be a sunbeam for him.

Jesus Has Risen

Jesus has risen,
Jesus, our friend.

Joy fills our hearts;
He lives again.

Praises we sing to him,
This Easter-time.



Jesus has risen,
Savior divine.

Jesus has risen,
Savior divine!

