

Supplementary Arts & Crafts for Book 3



LESSON ONE:

Craft: **Brilliant Star**

Materials needed:

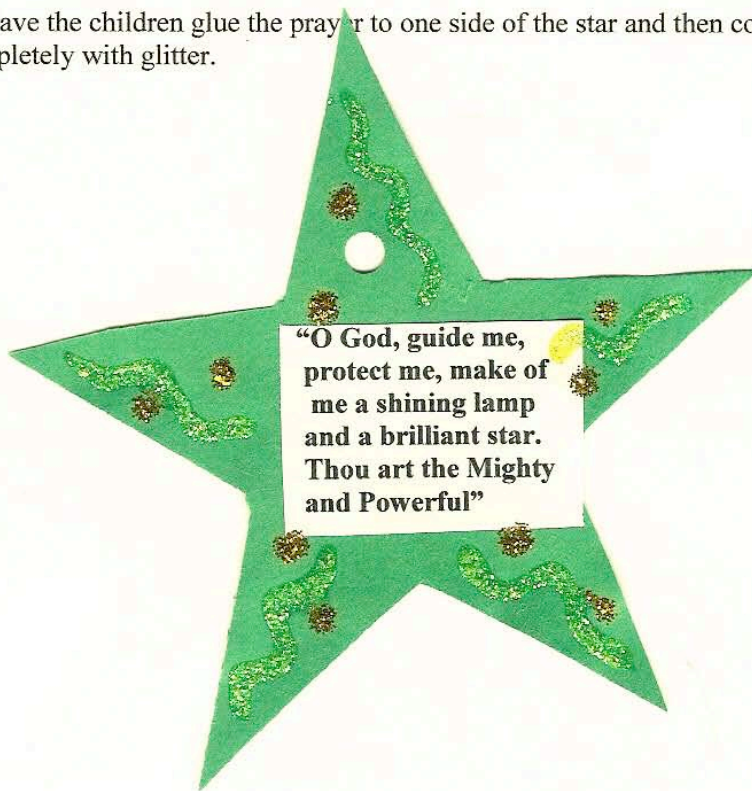
Medium size to large star cutout
Colored construction paper or card stock
Scissors
Glue
Glitter
Hole punch
Small pieces of yarn, thread or ribbon
Prayer for each child

Activity:

After teaching the prayer “O God, guide me,…” to the children, explaining new words, and practicing it several times, tell them that they will now make their own brilliant star. For younger children it is best to already have the stars pre-cut. Older children can trace the star pattern onto the construction paper or card stock and cut it out themselves.

Have the children glue the prayer onto the star and decorate the star’s points with glitter. Using the hole punch, punch a hole in the star and tie a small piece of yarn through it so the children can hang the prayer in their bedroom and memorize it during the week.

Alternative: Have the children glue the prayer to one side of the star and then cover the other side completely with glitter.



LESSON ONE: (Alternative craft for older kids or for another class later in the year)
This craft will need 2 class periods to complete since painting is involved.

Sun of Unity

Materials needed:

Construction or manila paper- 1 piece for each child
Water color paints
Scissors
Glue
Marker

Day One:

Each child will completely cover one paper with paint- see example. They will not paint a picture; only cover the paper with paint.

Day Two: (This part of the project takes quite a long time so plan accordingly)

The children will create the scene from the first coloring sheet using the painted paper. All of the painted papers are put into one pile- everyone can use any color and/or paper to create their own picture. The children free hand cut out the shapes to create their picture and glue them onto a different paper. Once they have created the picture, they can write the quote on the paper with marker, or the teacher can write it for them.



“ So powerful is the light of unity
that it can illumine the whole earth.”



LESSON ONE: SUN OF UNITY (Alternative Lesson)

Materials Needed:

Small wooden circle
Wooden dowel
Yellow tempera paint
Small paint brushes
Hot glue gun
Hot glue sticks

This craft will take two lessons-

On the first day, teach the quote, "So powerful is the light of unity..." (Lesson One), the children will paint the wooden circles with yellow tempera paint.

Next lesson: Have the children glue the quote onto one side of the painted circle. On the opposite side, they will glue 5 or 6 "sunrays" which are pre-cut from bright yellow poster board. The teacher will then hot glue the wooden dowel onto the circle.



LESSON THREE:

Materials:

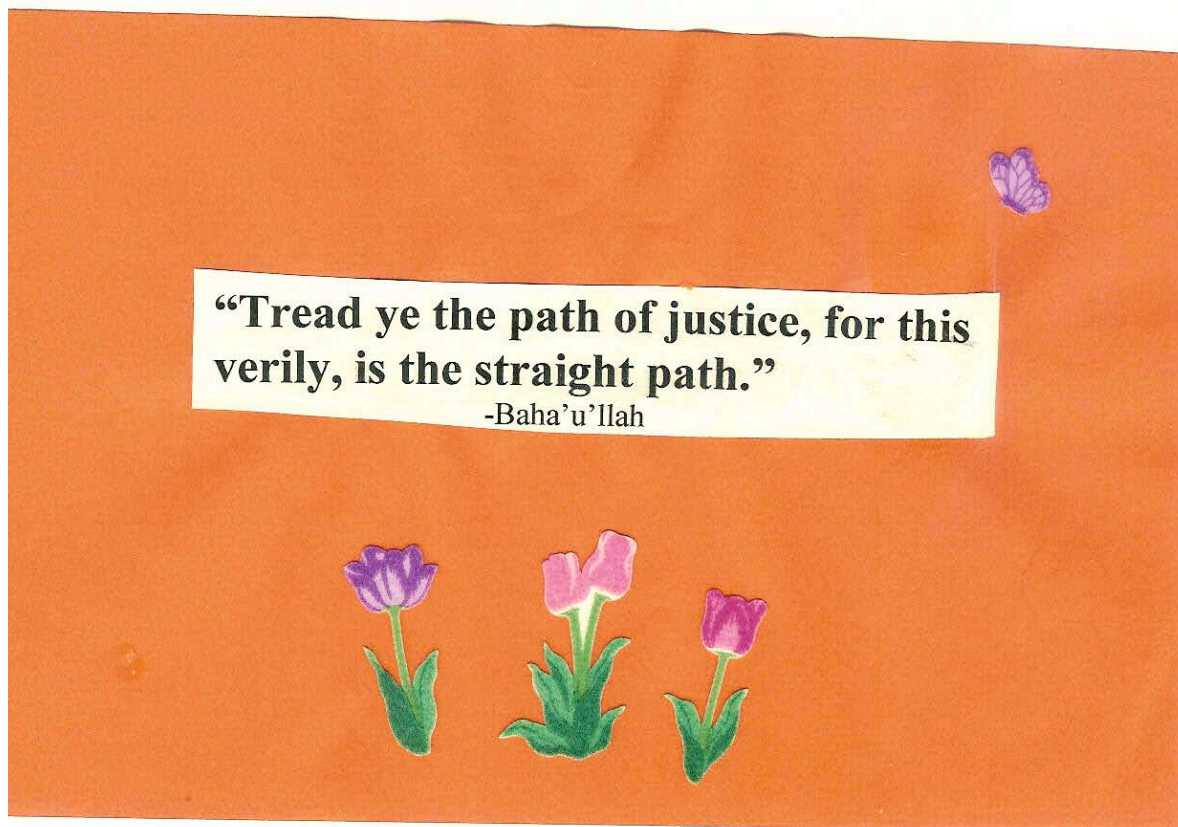
Colored tag board or construction paper

Assorted stickers

Decorative hole punches

Quote from Lesson Three

After teaching the quote for the lesson, give each child a small piece of paper, a copy of the quote and glue. Let them glue the quote onto the colored paper and then decorate it as they please, using stickers and/or decorative hole punches. They can decorate it as elaborately or simply as they please.



LESSON FOUR

Craft: Rose of Love

Materials Needed:

One card stock paper with rose and quote on it for each child. Red(or pink) and green tissue paper cut into small squares.

Glue

Small amount of water

Small paint brushes

Before you start the activity, water down the glue by putting glue in a dish (frozen dinner plastic dishes are ideal- especially Lean Cuisine or Weight Watchers dinners)

Activity:

1. Using a paint brush, each child will “paint” the watered down glue on the rose, making sure it is completely covered. Then the child will crumble up the tissue paper, one small piece at a time, and put it on the glue covered rose until it is completely covered.

“O Friend! In the garden of thy heart plant naught but
the rose of love...”



LESSON FIVE- (this craft can be used with any lesson.)

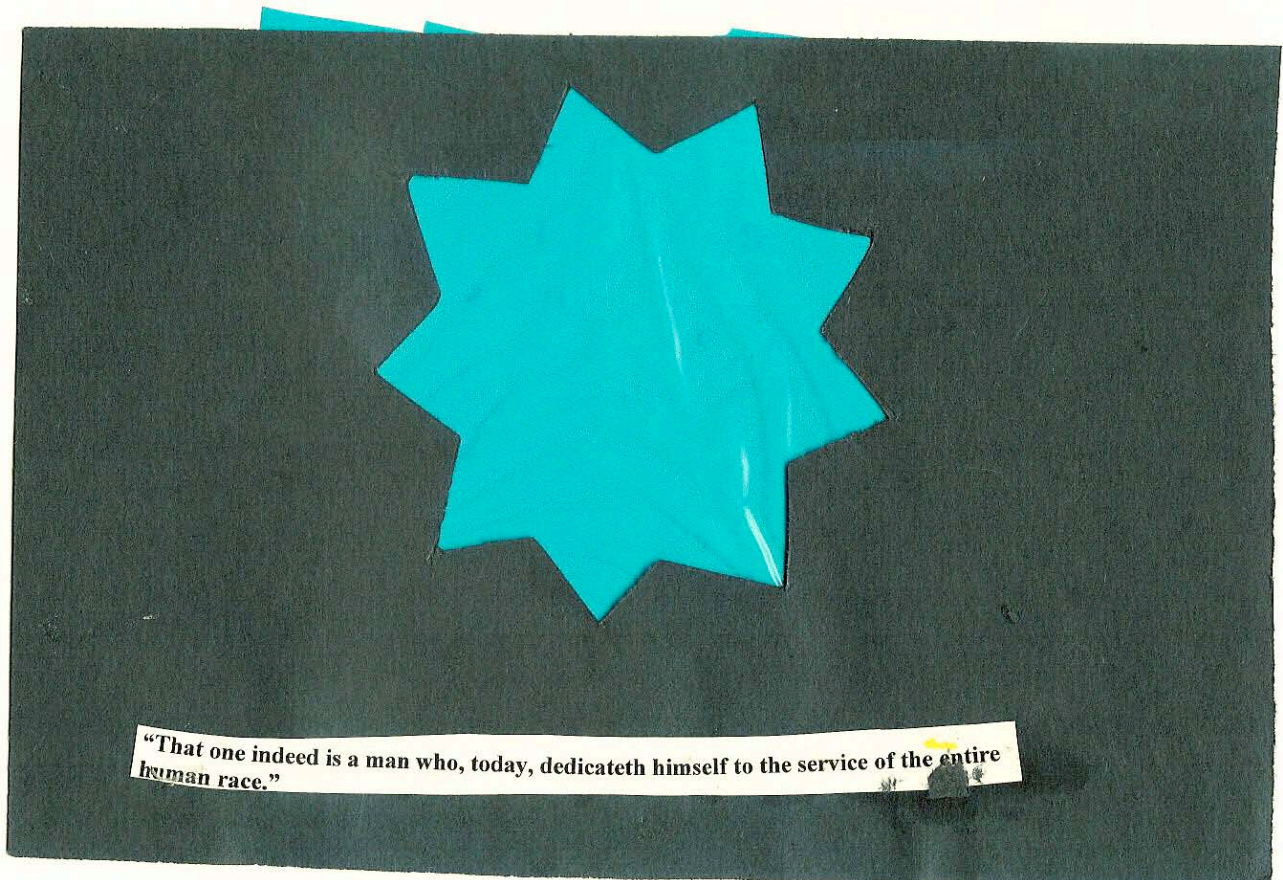
Craft: The star of service

Materials:

Black construction paper
Cellophane tape
Colored cellophane paper (can be purchased in most stores- dollar stores, Wal-Mart, etc. around Easter time)
Scissors
Quote (one for each child)
Glue
Pencils
Nine pointed star template

Activity:

Let each child trace a nine pointed star onto his/her black paper with a pencil. (For younger children you'll probably have to do this)
Help children cut out the inside of the star.
Glue the quote onto the black paper.
Turn the paper over and tape the colored cellophane paper onto the star.
(It's best if the paper is pre-cut to the desired size.)



LESSON SIX

Materials needed: large craft sticks (tongue depressors), 4 per child

Hot glue gun

Craft glue

Quote

Buttons or small shells

1. Before class, have the craft stick 'frames' already made. Glue them together with hot glue.
2. Have each child glue the quote to the back so that it shows through the front of the frame. (They may need help with this.)
3. The children can decorate the frame as they wish with the Buttons or shells using craft glue.



LESSON EIGHT: Sparkles

Materials Needed:

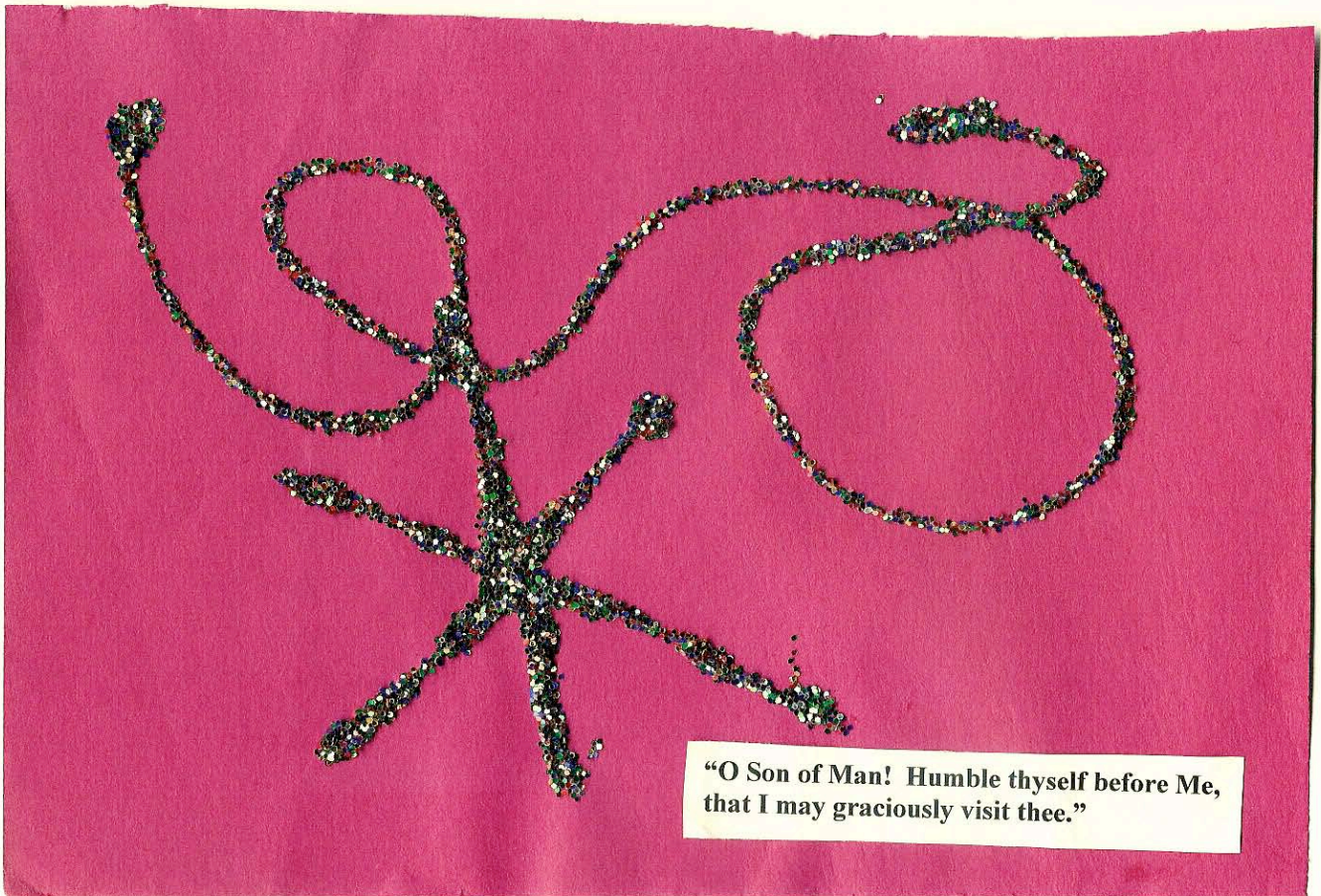
Any Color Construction Paper (1 piece for each child)

White Glue

Glitter

Quote

Children can make any types of designs on their colored paper with the white glue. They should only do one design at a time. Put the glitter on each glue design. After the glitter is on and slightly dried, the children can glue on the quote.

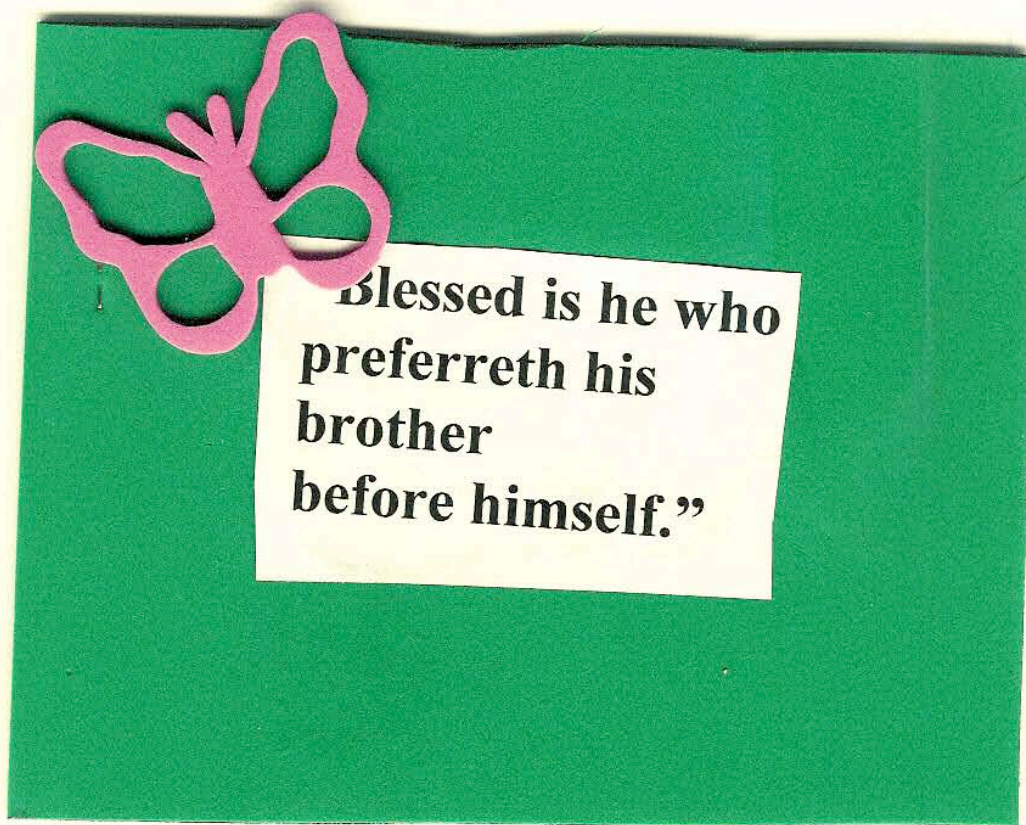


**“O Son of Man! Humble thyself before Me,
that I may graciously visit thee.”**

LESSON NINE: Foam Frames

For each **Frame** you will need:

- A piece of fun foam a few inches larger than the quote
- a quote to frame
- a hole punch
- scissors
- glue (school glue or tacky glue)
- about 6 inches of thin ribbon or yarn (for hanging the frame) OR a small piece of magnet strip so you can put it on the fridge)
- fabric paint, glitter glue, sequins, buttons, yarn, ribbon, feathers, etc. (optional)
- Foam shape cut outs to decorate with.



LESSON 10

Craft: Ornament of Honesty

Materials:

Piece of yarn or ribbon for each child (long enough to use for a necklace)
Colored pasta (directions for coloring the pasta are below)
“ornament” cut out of paper or card stock with the word “honesty” written on it.

Activity:

Explain to the children that they are going to “adorn” their bodies with the word “honesty”- like we will adorn our hearts and souls with honesty itself. Give each child a piece of yarn or ribbon and an “ornament” to string on it. The children may add the colored pasta as they choose.

TO COLOR PASTA: Place dry, uncooked pasta in a Ziplock bag. Add several drops of food coloring. Add approximately ¼ C. of rubbing alcohol. Close the bag and with your hands, mix it up until the pasta looks like it’s covered fairly evenly with the color. Spread the wet pasta onto newspaper to dry. After it dries, it can be kept indefinitely in a Ziplock bag.

NOTE: It is much easier to string pasta if the hole in the pasta is large.



LESSON ELEVEN

Craft: Baha'u'llah's sheep (paper bag puppet)

Do this craft after telling the story of 'Abdu'l-Baha giving away Baha'u'llah's sheep to the inspectors.

Materials:

One paper bag for each child,
One sheep face paper for each child

Glue

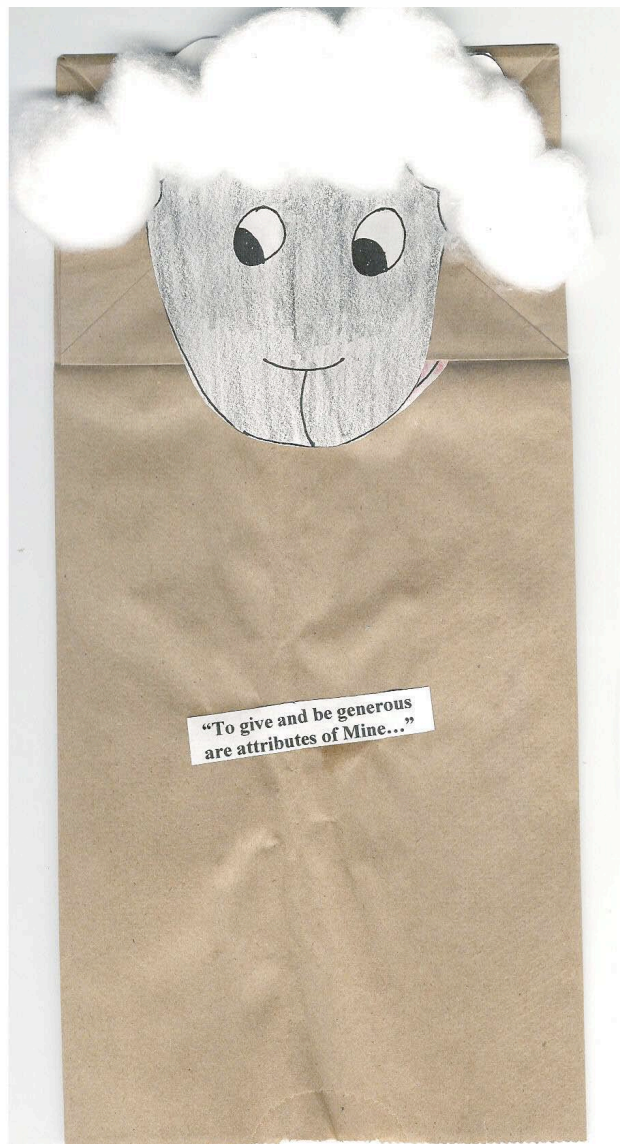
Scissors

Cotton balls

Crayons

One quote for each child to glue on the puppet

- 1) The children will first color the sheep face and then cut it out.
- 2) Show the children how to glue the face onto the paper bag so they can open the "mouth".
- 3) The children will glue cotton balls all over the sheep's head to make his wool.
- 4) The children will glue the quote onto the lower part of the paper bag.



Baha'u'llah's Sheep (Lesson 11) Alternative

Materials Needed:

Paper (1 piece per child)
Crayons
Cotton balls (2-3 per child)
White glue
Quote

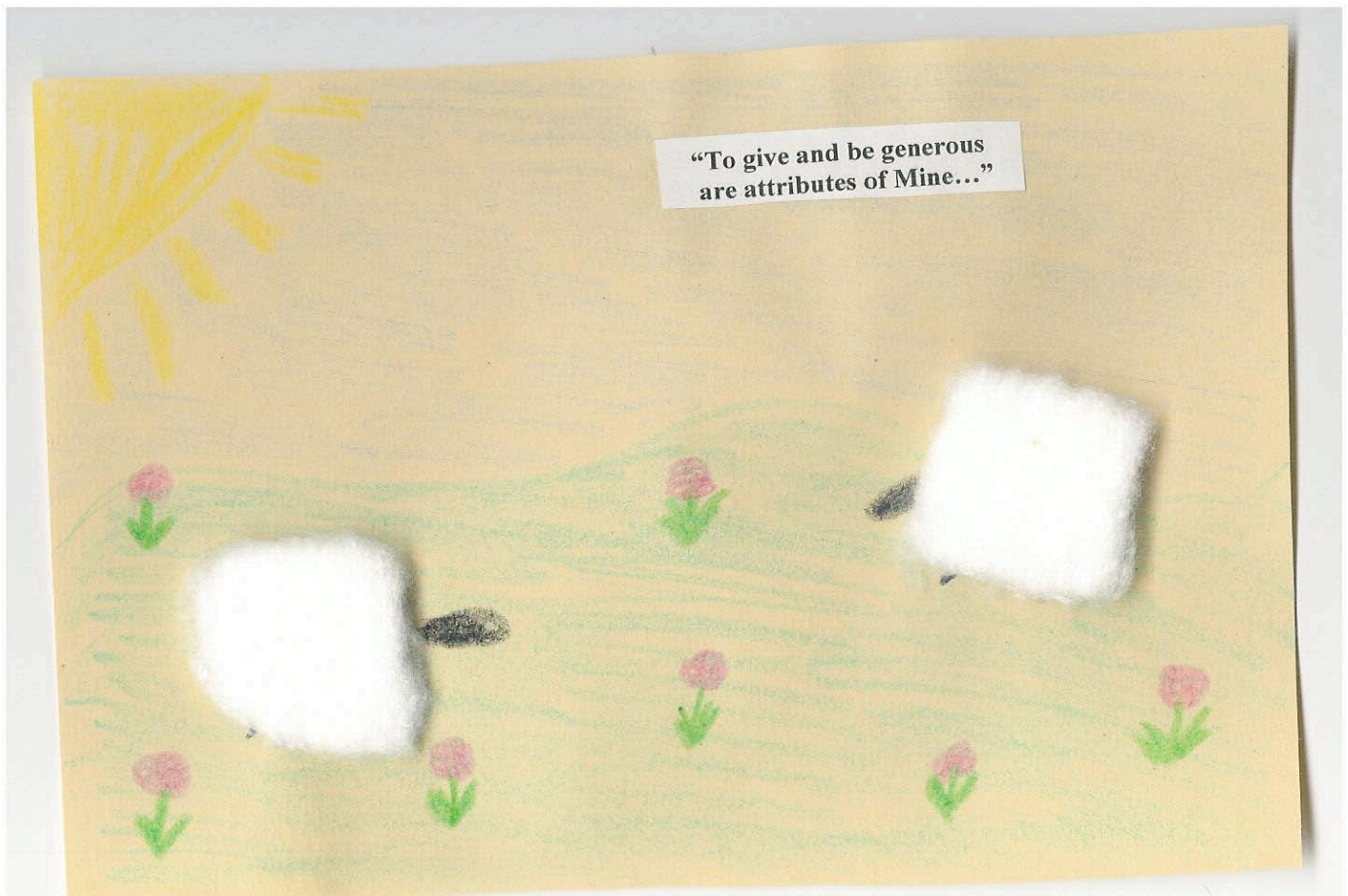
The children will:

color a picture of a meadow.

Glue the cotton balls on the grass.

Using a black crayon, color the head and feet of the cotton ball sheep.

Glue the quote on the paper



LESSON TWELVE

Craft: Citizens of One World

Materials:

For each child:

1 blue paper plate or large circle cut out of blue paper

5 or 6 multi-colored children cut outs (you can get these at teacher supply stores- they are calendar cut outs- or you can cut your own).

Green continents cut out (a sample is given or you can free hand cut them)

Glue

Quote

Activity: Teach the quote, "The earth is but one country and mankind its citizens..."

Talk about how we are all the same and we are all different.

Have 2 children stand in front of the class and have the other children tell ways they are the same, then ways in which they are different.

Have children glue the continents in the center of the blue plate and then glue the quote over it.

Give each child 5 or 6 cut outs to glue around the "world".

LESSON THIRTEEN

Craft: The Hunter's bird

Do this craft after telling the story of the hunter who was told by Baha'u'llah to not kill innocent animals.

Materials:

One bird for each child cut out of card stock or poster board.

Feathers

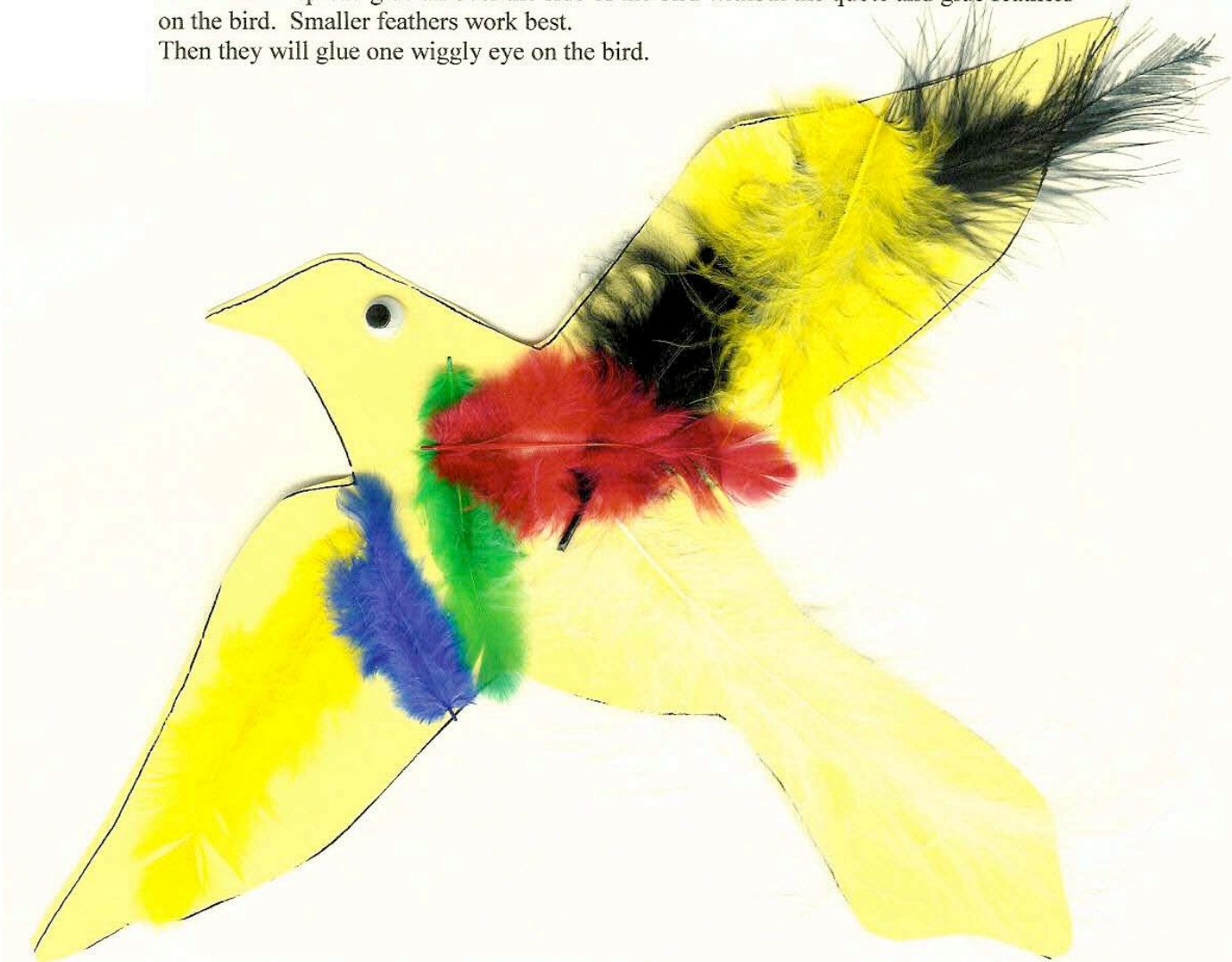
Glue.

Wiggly eyes

1 quote for each child

Before the class, if you have a large class or if the children are young, glue the quote onto one side of the bird so these are dry by the time you take them to class.

The children spread glue all over the side of the bird without the quote and glue feathers on the bird. Smaller feathers work best.
Then they will glue one wiggly eye on the bird.





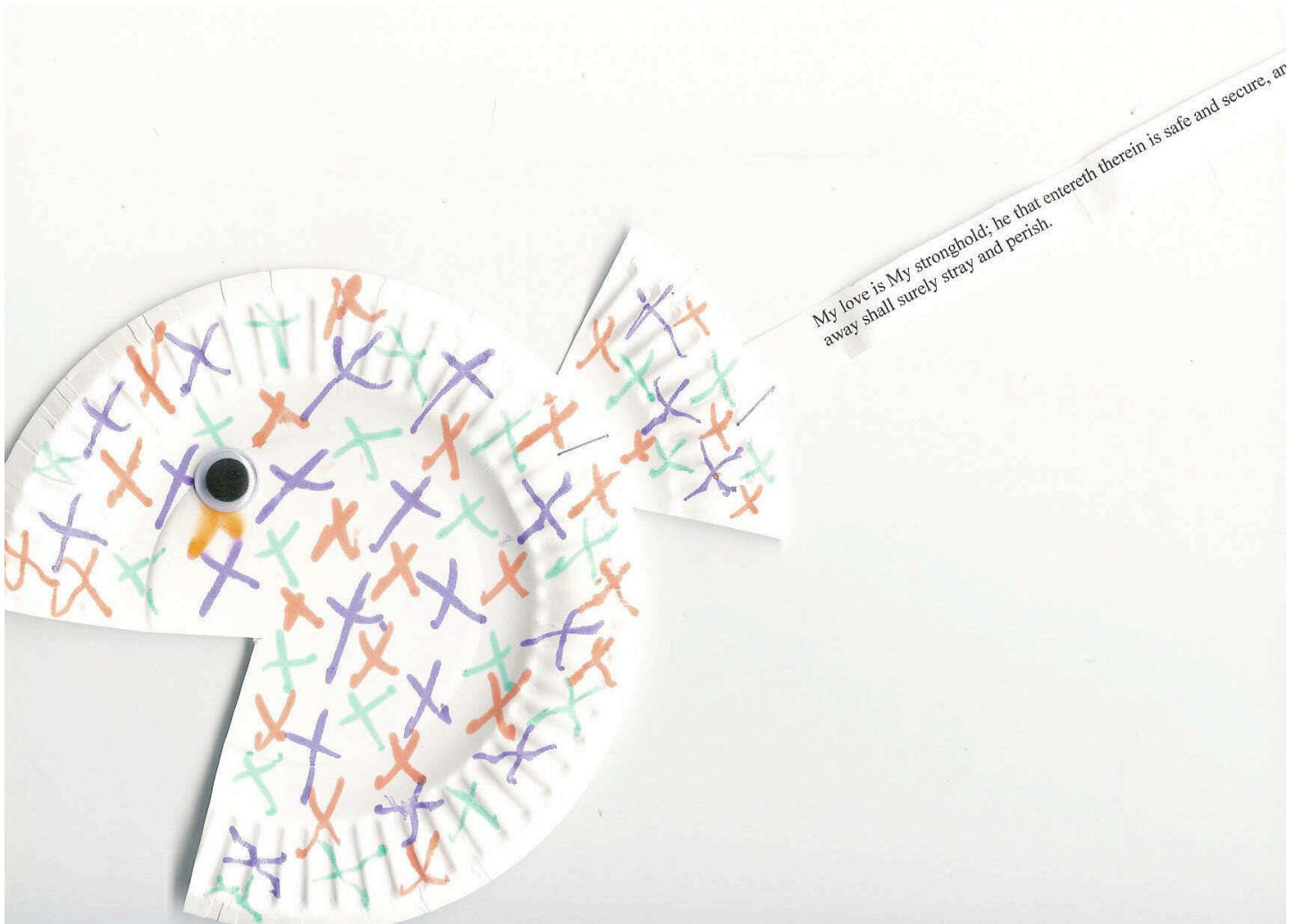
PAPER PLATE FISH (Lesson 14)

Materials Needed:

1 small paper plate per child.
1 wiggly eye per child
markers
stapler
white glue
scissors (for teacher)

Before the lesson prepare the “fish”
Cut a triangle out of the paper plate.
Staple it to the back of the cut to make the “tail”
Glue (or staple) the quote onto the “tail”

The children will decorate the fish and glue the wiggly eye on.



LESSON FOURTEEN

Craft: Fish puppets

Materials:

Fish patterns copied onto colorful paper

Stapler

Tongue depressors or craft sticks

Glue stick

Quote- pre cut

Activity:

After reading the story of the fish and the dam, have the children cut out the colored fish, glue a quote on the back, and staple the stick to it to use as a puppet. If you have enough fish, each child can make 3. (as per the story).

ALTERNATIVE: For older kids or if you have more time, just give the children colored paper and let them (free hand) create the fish, crocodiles, dam and other objects in the story. Then they can do an actual puppet show.



LESSON FIFTEEN

Difficulty Level: Easy

MATERIALS NEEDED:

Foam door knob hanger (or you can trace and cut out of thin cardboard.)

Foam self-stick shapes

Quote

Hot glue gun (if you use cardboard, you won't need a glue gun, but paper does not stick to the foam with regular glue.)

Before class glue the quote onto one side of the door hanger. Then children can decorate the hanger as they please.

