

Sunday School Ideas

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The Lion and the Lamb



I wish I had a pet lion and lamb.

We used our fuzzy white dog one Christmas program as a lamb. He growled, whined, and finally choked up a cracker that flew in a high arc across the nativity as the whole audience moved their heads in unison, watching it go up and then down to land on the altar. Not quite what I had envisioned.

Every school I teach in has a bulletin board that says, "March, in like a lion and out like a lamb." I do not have a problem with that, as long as Sunday school teachers everywhere take the opportunity to talk about Isaiah's prophecy.

"The wolf shall also dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them" (Isaiah 11:6).



Happy teaching!

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A lot of people collect Lions and Lambs. Artist Mary Beatty did a series of pictures around Isaiah's prophecy. I liked her explanation enough to include it here. See more of her art at

<http://www.marybeattyart.com>.

Lion and Lamb Collectors



“Interested in knowing how my series evolved? While studying the Book of Revelation, my mind wandered. (Sorry Pastor...) Although people were collecting the original Lion and Lambs, nowhere could I find this Scripture. What I found was ‘The wolf shall also dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them’ (Isaiah 11:6). So, it is all there but for the painting and collecting. The Lion and Lamb combination is more symbolic and more familiar to most people!

“The Lion and Lamb symbolize the peaceful end times and God's promise of a peaceful kingdom.

“So, how could I bring *The Peaceful Kingdom* into the ‘everyday art’ of our lives? Light Bulb! (...and a little child shall lead them) Why not make it childlike with stuffed animals and let them tell the story!”

Mary Beatty

I like the idea of letting an older class create artwork from Scriptures. I love church art displays. I also love these pillows. How hard could they be if you made the pillows out of felt and just added the loopy yarn?



I will work on it . . . #756 art project I want to try with a class.

Lion and the Lamb Cupcakes



- White and chocolate frosting
 - Pink food coloring
 - 2 ½ tablespoons chocolate chips, melted
 - Cupcakes
 - 2 oz mini marshmallows halved
 - 6 full-size marshmallows halved lengthwise, then diagonally for lamb's ears
 - 24 brown mini candy-coated-chocolates
 - 3 pieces pink bubble gum
 - Toasted coconut
 - 12 white gumdrops halved
 - 1 bag licorice laces cut into ½" or 1" pieces
 - OR, half of a pretzel stick dipped in chocolate
1. Cut the 24 bubblegum noses into tiny shapes.
 2. Frost half of the cupcakes with plain white icing to make lambs, and the other half with chocolate icing to make the lions. Set these aside.
 3. **To make lamb cupcakes:** Arrange the halved mini marshmallows around the perimeter of each cupcake in two concentric circles. Leave room for ears on the edges and an empty circle in the center for the face. Place halved full-sized marshmallows in reserved spots for the ears. Place two mini chocolate candies in upper half of each empty circle to make the eyes and a bubble gum triangle for the nose.
 4. **For the lion cupcakes:** Press coconut into the edge of the chocolate on the cupcake to create a mane. On each cupcake, put bubblegum in the center to form a nose, then arrange two gumdrop halves on either side of the nose for cheeks. Stick three licorice pieces or pretzels into butter cream on either side of cheeks for whiskers. Place two mini chocolate candies over gumdrops for eyes.



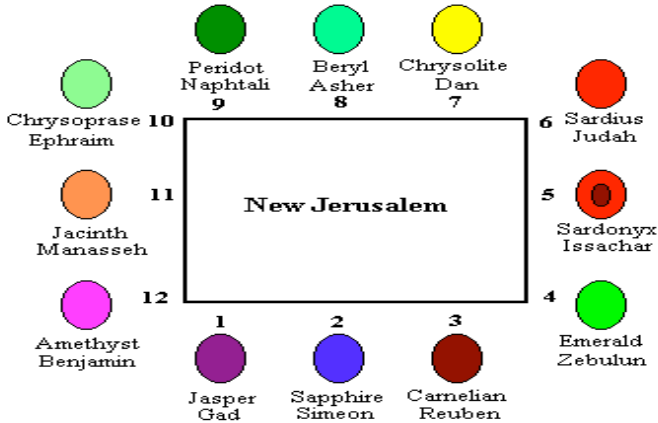
Transform Rocks into Beautiful Gemstones!

Great for the priest's breastplate, the twelve tribes of Judah, and the foundations of the New Jerusalem.

The secret ingredients? Crayons and heat!

Materials: smooth flat rocks, aluminum foil, oven mitts, newspapers, old crayons

1. After you have gathered some smooth, flat rocks, clean them, and bake them for 15 minutes on a foil-lined cookie sheet in a 225° oven.
2. Using an oven mitt, remove the rocks from the stove and set them on a pad of newspapers. (Note: the rocks will be very hot to the touch.)
3. Remove the wrappers from some old crayons and draw on the stones. The heat will melt the crayons into vibrant liquid wax. For the swirly effect shown here, hold each crayon against the rock in one place to create a puddle of color and use the end of the crayon to swirl it around.





Look at this great class with Sister Joyce Krugh, Van Wert, OH!

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Happy teaching! Ann Gustafson Frake

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