

The Easter Message

We hope you enjoy these colour in puppets to help you tell the 'Story of Easter' at home or in school.

Simply print the pages out onto white card, colour in the characters, cut them out, and stick wooden lollipop sticks to the back using double sided tape or glue.







Lollipop sticks



Scissors



Colouring Equipment



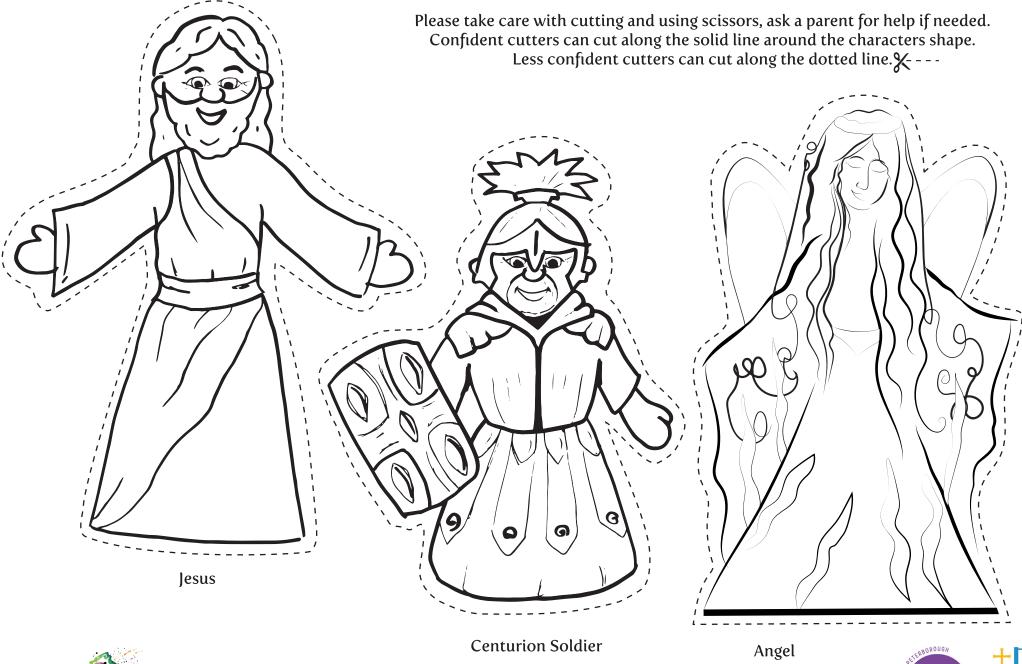
Double sided tape or glue





















Angry Crowd



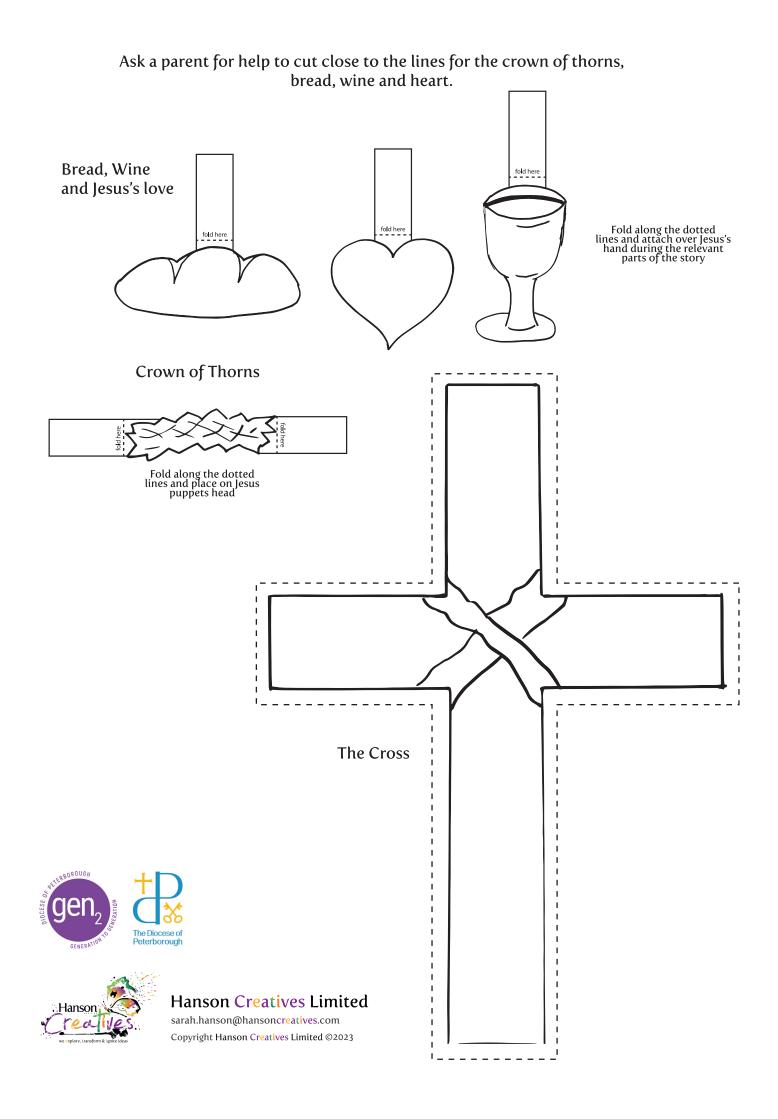
Happy Crowd





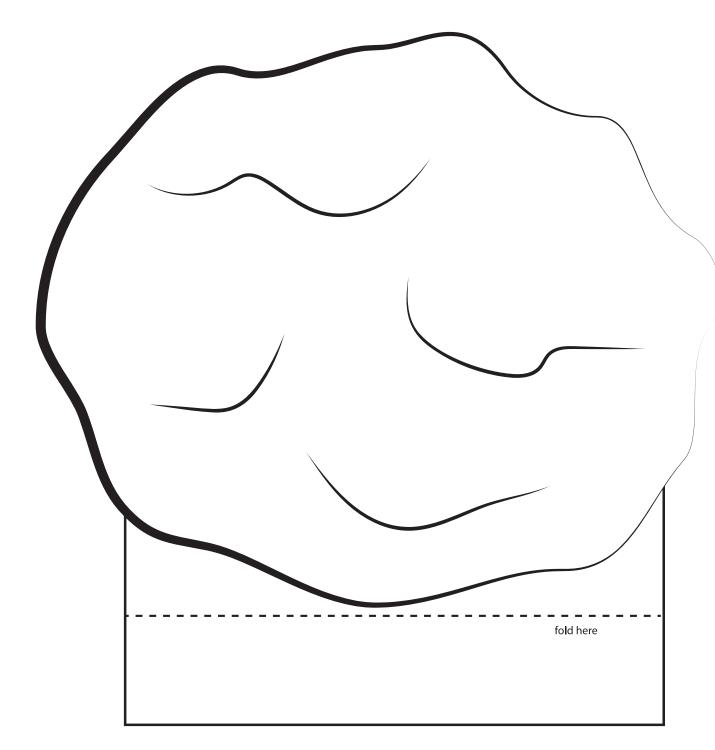








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Rock in front of the tomb

Fold along the dotted line and the rock can stand up on a table



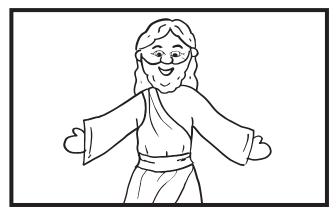


The Easter Message - Tell the Story...

Why don't you tell the story to your family, friends or your class using your puppets?

Use this storyboard to remind you of the story as you retell it:

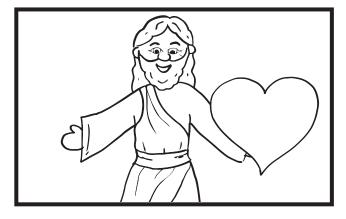
SCENE I



Jesus was no longer a baby.

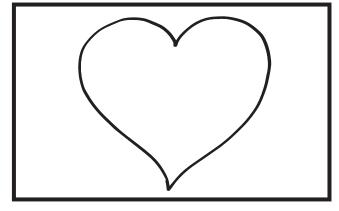
He was God's boy who was now grown up
He waved goodbye to his mum
He went on a three year journey around
his country Israel In the countryside and in the towns.

SCENE 2



He showed God's love to everyone he went He healed sick people, Blind people and sad people Good people and bad people

SCENE 3



At first everyone loved what he did for them
Hooray for Jesus!
He shows us that God is with us
He shows us that God loves us



SCENE 4



After 3 years of loving and caring,
Jesus had a special meal with his friends
To remind them that he would be
always with them
It was bread and wine
A picture of Jesus' body and blood
Given for them — they could swallow
him down
And Jesus could be part of them.

SCENE 5



Some people hated Jesus because they were jealous of all he did.
They wanted him gone so that they could be Number I.

On a sad Friday, it was dark and terrible – They hung him on a cross where he died. But Jesus loved the haters too and let them have their way.

SCENE 6



When Jesus died he was wrapped up in cloths and laid in a tomb It was Friday evening.

Soldiers rolled a stone across the door and stood on guard outside.

SCENE 7



Three sleeps later, on Easter Sunday An angel shook the ground and opened the tomb's door.

Some women friends of Jesus came to visit the open tomb -

All they could find was it empty apart from the cloths, but Jesus was gone.

The angels told them that Jesus had come alive and to go tell their friends.





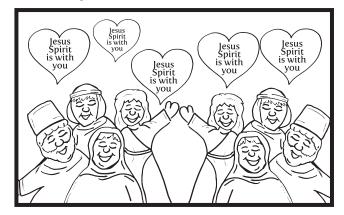


SCENE 8



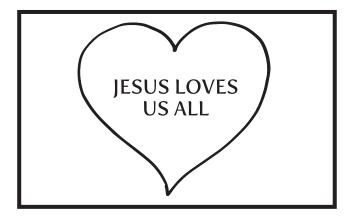
Off they went with the very good news,
To be met by Jesus on the road that they
travelled and this is what he said,
"Greetings and hellos to you my friends, you
are my loved ones for whom I died.
I am alive and have given my all
Go tell my friends that they will see me too
As I am on my way with this very good news."

SCENE 9



Jesus showed himself to many of his friends Then went to heaven to send a great gift It is here today as it was so long ago, the gift of him with us as close as our next breath It is called His Spirit, His love with us.

SCENE 10



Jesus still loves us — the good and the bad He invites us to join in with God's goodplan — A hug for your granny, a card for the sick, a smile for a friend and love for the sad. And Jesus keeps sharing his love for us. He continues to insist we are loved and his treasure.

Other Resources?

You can read this story in 'The Jesus Storybook Bible' by Sally Lloyd Jones https://www.eden.co.uk/the-jesus-storybook-bible-anglicised-edition/
And/or watch the story told in short animated film here from Saddleback Kids https://youtu.be/OztctOyUxkg





