

DANIEL

DANIEL WEEK 3 THE TREE

FOCUS

DANIEL 4:10-12, 16, 23, 31, 33-34 & 36

King Nebuchadnezzar has had another dream that troubled him! He asked Daniel what it meant, and Daniel told him. Even though Daniel warned the king to be humble before God, the king didn't listen! Now the king will suffer the consequences!

MATERIALS

Tree picture King and Daniel actors and songs Large tree with animals, fruit and branches Tree coloring page (1 per child) Consequences coloring page (1 per child) Voice recording and speaker Edible grass (1 handful per child) Feathers and headband (1 per child) Crayons, markers, tape and glue

ACTIVITIES

1. INTRODUCTION

TALK: Ask the children if they remember King Nebuchadnezzar and Daniel from week 1.

ACTIVITY: Show children the Tree picture and hang nearby for them to see.

2. ANOTHER DREAM

TALK: The king had a troubling dream and he wanted to know what it meant. He asked the wise men, and they could not tell him, so he asked Daniel. Daniel was able to tell him the dream and give him advice about what to do so the events in the dream would not happen.

ACTIVITY: Have king and Daniel sing the "I've had a dream" song.

CORRESPONDING VERSE



"THESE ARE THE VISIONS I SAW WHILE LYING IN MY BED: I LOOKED AND THERE BEFORE ME STOOD A TREE." DANIEL 4:10

ACTIVITIES

3. THE TREE

TALK: The king had a dream about a tree! The tree was huge! Animals lived underneath the leaves, birds flew from branch to branch and the tree had fruit for everyone!

ACTIVITY: Show children the large tree with the animals underneath and fruit on its branches. Then have children trace their hand in the shape of a tree then glue fruit and animals on it.

4. CONSEQUENCES

TALK: The king liked the dream about the tree, until he heard a voice say to cut down the tree and trim off its branches! Daniel told him this meant he would be changed! He would have the mind of an animal and eat grass like an ox for 7 years! All the king had to do was to renounce his sins by doing what was right and to be kind to the oppressed. What would he choose?

ACTIVITY: Have children color the flip-up consequences page.

5. THE KING'S CHOICE

TALK: The king had a choice, he could either be kind and do what was right, and humble himself before God or he would have the mind of an animal for 7 years and eat grass like an ox! A year later the king was walking on the roof of his palace, saying about how great he was, and all of a sudden a voice from heaven told him that his royal authority was being taken away!

ACTIVITY: Have king stand before kids and talk about his amazing city, then play sound of the voice talking to the king, then have the king take off crown, get on all fours and run away.

6. IN TROUBLE

TALK: The king choose to not humble himself. He was proud of everything he had and did not thank God for everything he had given him. So everything he had dreamed about came true.

ACTIVITY: Have children take everything off the tree then take off the top of the tree, leaving a stump.



WILL THE KING REPENT AND BE HUMBLE BEFORE GOD?

CORRESPONDING VERSE

"THE TREE GREW LARGE AND STRONG AND ITS TOP TOUCHED THE SKY... ITS FRUIT ABUNDANT." DANIEL 4:11-12

LET HIM BE DRENCHED WITH THE DEW OF HEAVEN, AND LET HIM LIVE WITH THE ANIMALS AMONG THE PLANTS OF THE EARTH. LET HIS MIND BE CHANGED FROM THAT OF A MAN AND LET HIM BE GIVEN THE MIND OF AN ANIMAL." DANIEL 4:16

YOUR ROYAL AUTHORITY HAS BEEN TAKEN FROM YOU. DANIEL 4:31

CUT DOWN THE TREE AND DESTROY IT, BUT LEAVE THE STUMP. DANIEL 4:23

ACTIVITIES

7. EAT GRASS

TALK: Once the king had the mind of an animal he went into the wild and lived with the wild donkeys and ate grass like an ox!

ACTIVITY: Give each child a handful of edible grass to eat.

8. HAIR LIKE AN EAGLE

TALK: The king lived in the wild and his hair grew like the feathers of an eagle!

ACTIVITY: Have each child make a headband with feathers.

9. BACK AGAIN

TALK: Just like the voice and Daniel had said, at the end of 7 years the king looked up to heaven and his sanity was restored. Do you think he was mad that he had spent 7 years living like an animal? No! He praised God! He even sent out a letter to everyone in his kingdom to hear what God had done to him!

ACTIVITY: Have king take off headband then put on crown and heart necklace then look up to heaven and say:

KING: I have eaten grass! I have lived with wild donkeys for 7 years! I am alive! You Lord, are mighty. You are awesome to behold. Not me!

10. RESTORED

TALK: God restored the king to his throne and he became even greater than before! God was able to humble the king and show him that He was the greatest of all!

ACTIVITY: Have kids put the tree back together then tape hearts on the tree.

OPTIONAL: Hand out each child a bible verse to take home.



DANIEL 4:37

CORRESPONDING VERSE

ATE GRASS LIKE AN OX DANIFI 4:33



HIS HAIR GREW LIKE THE FEATHERS OF AN EAGLE. DANIFI 4:33



AT THE END OF THAT TIME, I ... RAISED MY EYES TOWARD HEAVEN, AND MY SANITY WAS RESTORED. THEN I PRAISED THE MOST HIGH DANIEL 4:34

NOW I, NEBUCHADNEZZAR, PRAISE AND EXALT AND GLORIFY THE KING OF HEAVEN

T WAS RESTORED TO MY THRONE AND BECAME EVEN GREATER THAN BEFORE. DANIEL 4:36



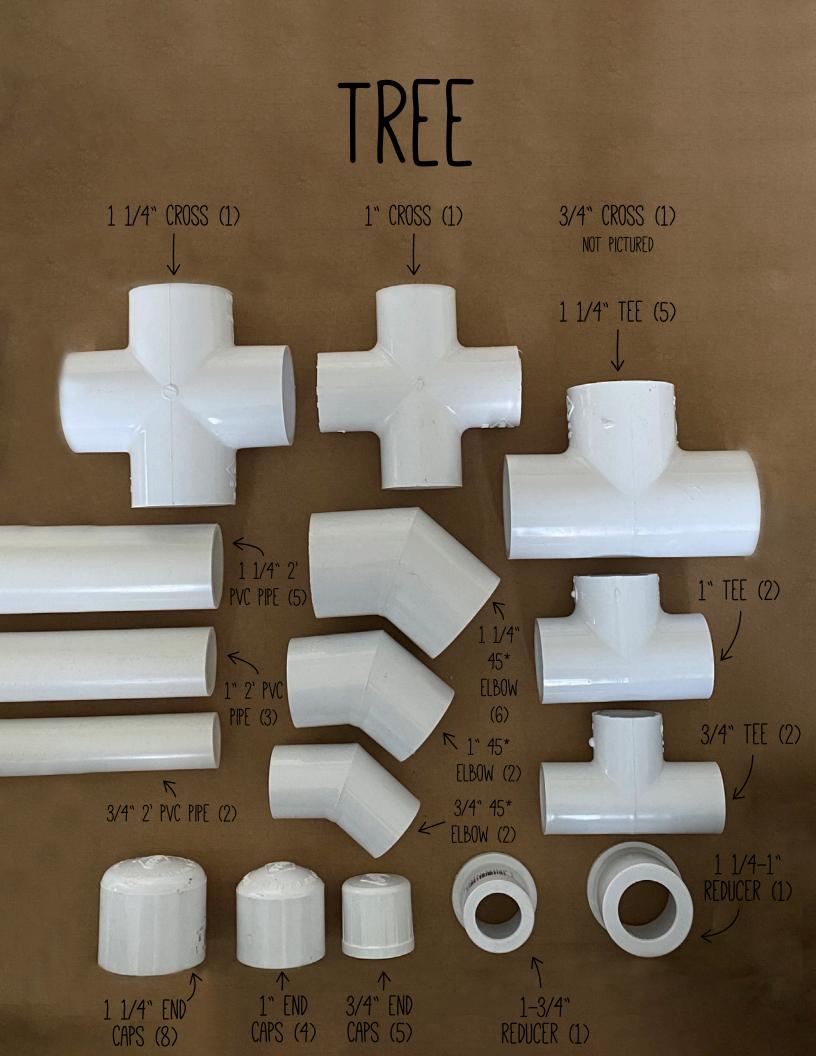
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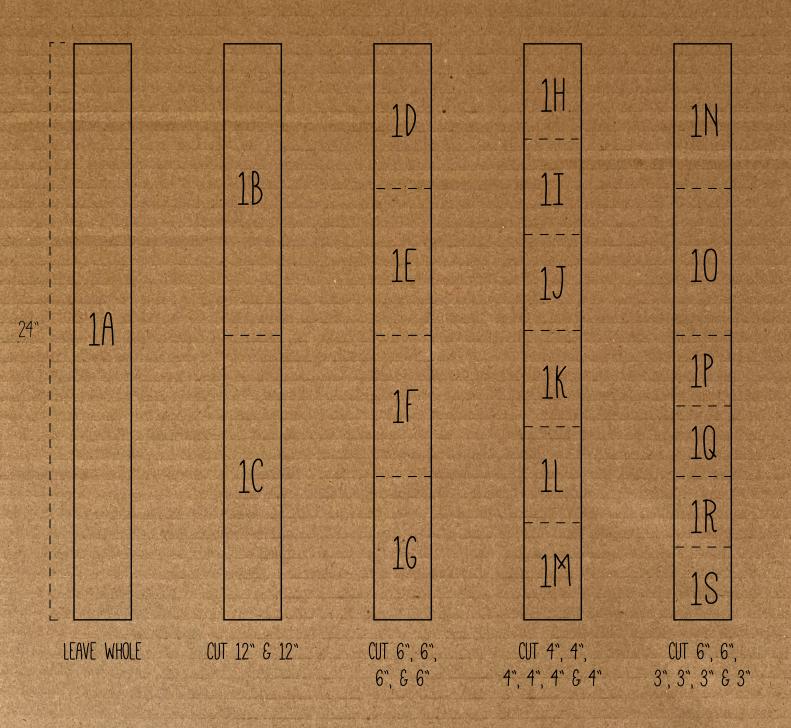
I'VE HAD A DREAM

KING: I'VE HAD A DREAM! I'VE HAD A DREAM, NOW DANIEL, TELL ME WHAT IS MEANS! WHAT IT MEANS!

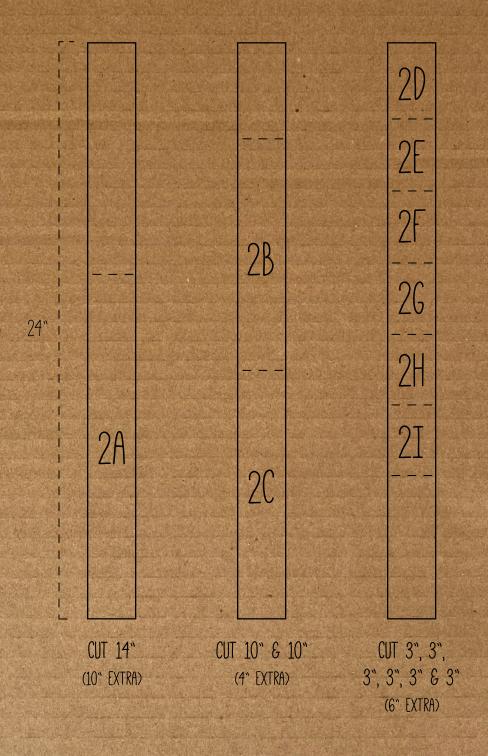
DANIEL: YOU ARE A TREE OH KING, MIGHTY AND STRONG. WITH FRUIT TO SPARE AND BRANCHES SO LONG. BUT BE SURE TO TELL THE GOD ABOVE THANKS! OR HE WILL CUT YOU DOWN WITH A BIG BIG THWANK. WITH A BIG BIG THWANK.



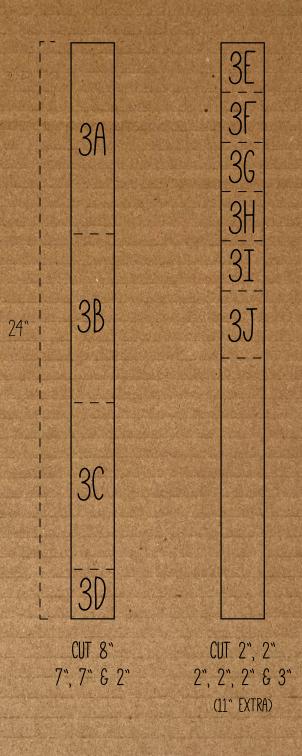
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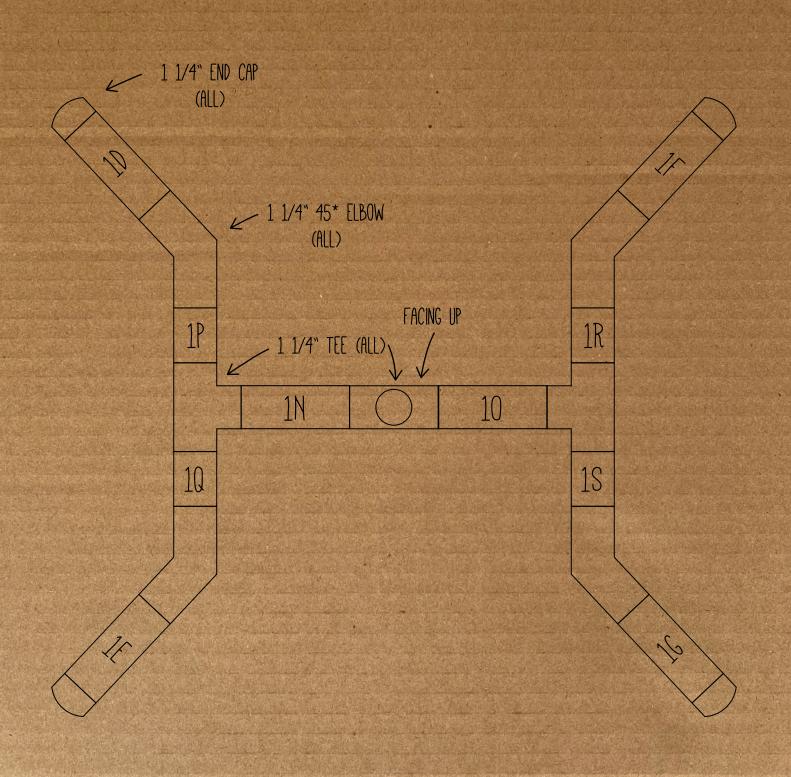
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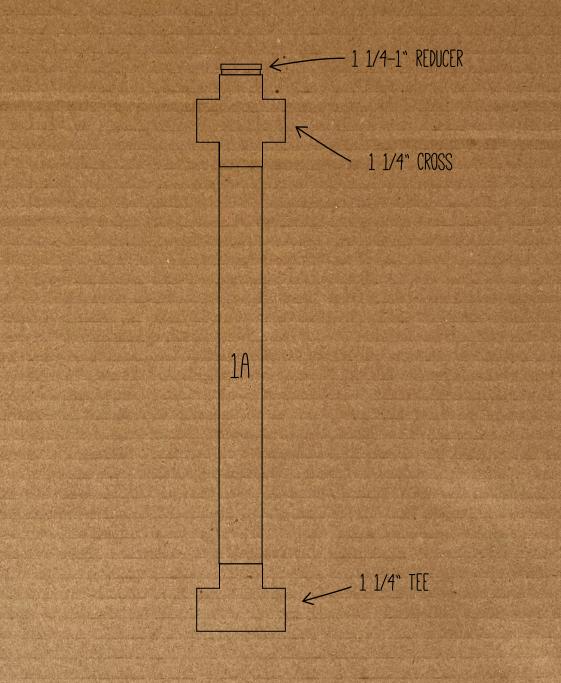
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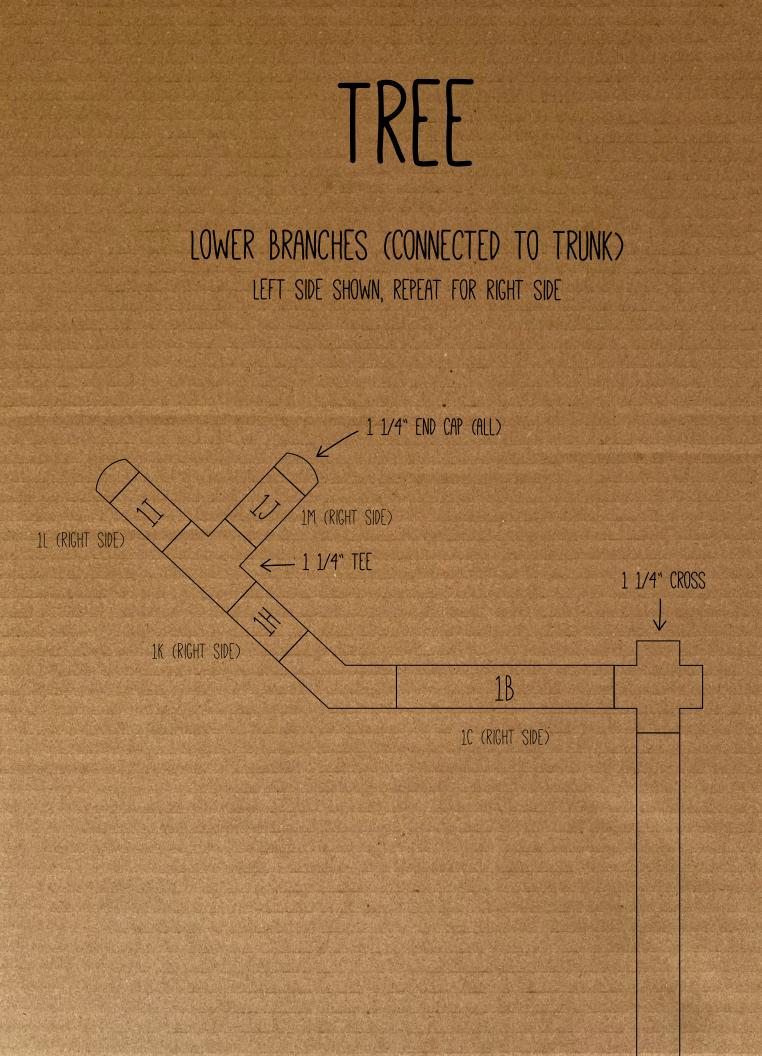


ROOTS (BASE)

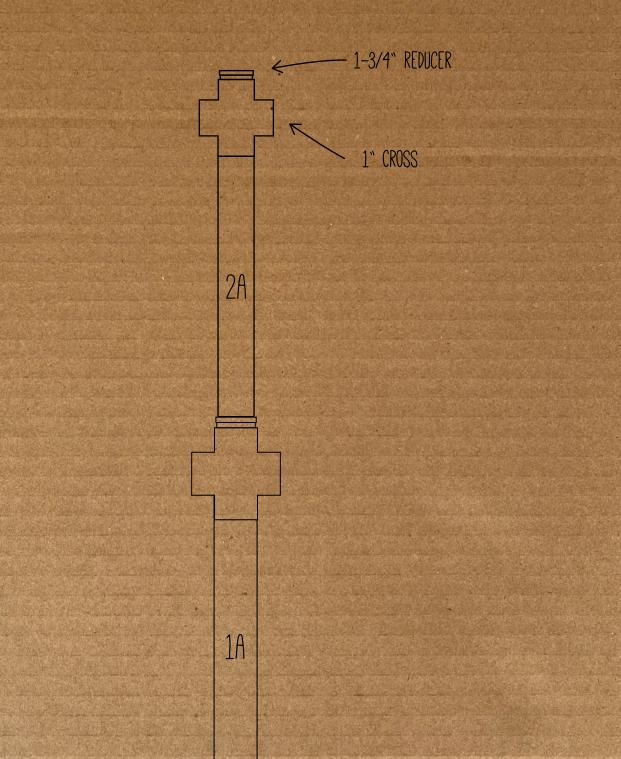


TRUNK (CONNECTED TO ROOTS)



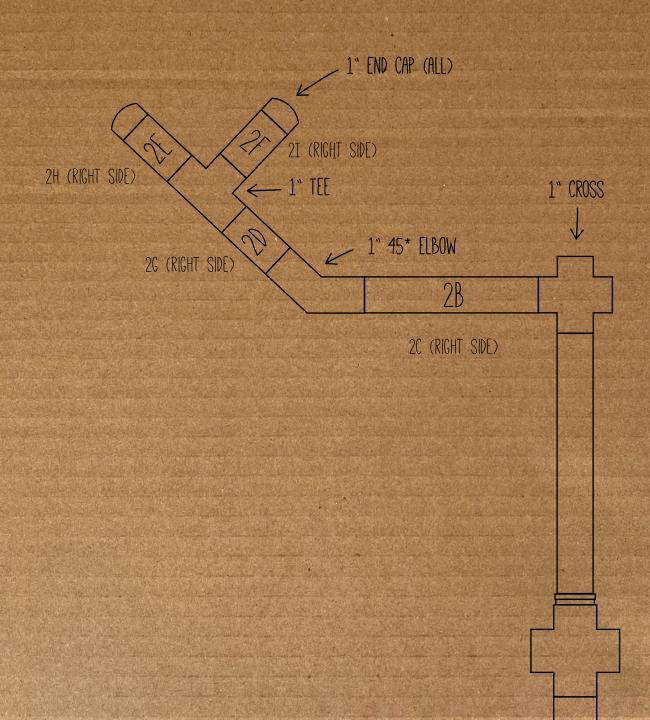


MIDDLE TRUNK (CONNECTED TO TRUNK)

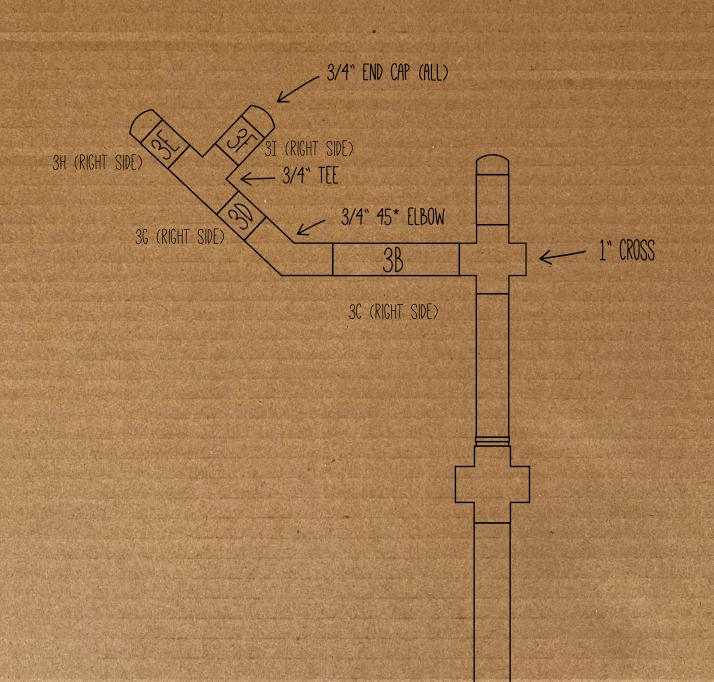




MIDDLE BRANCHES (CONNECTED TO MIDDLE TRUNK) LEFT SIDE SHOWN, REPEAT FOR RIGHT SIDE

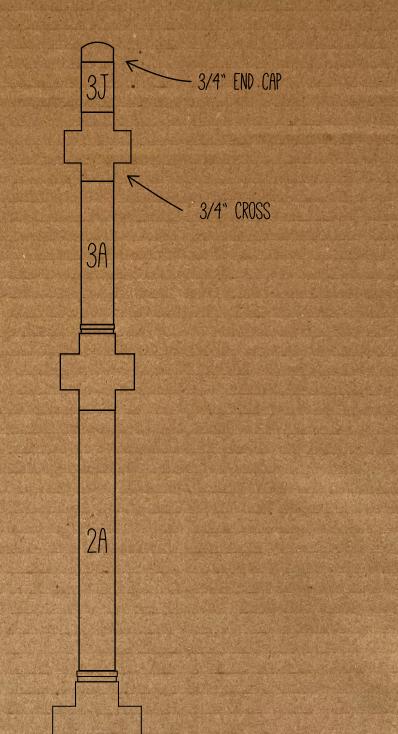


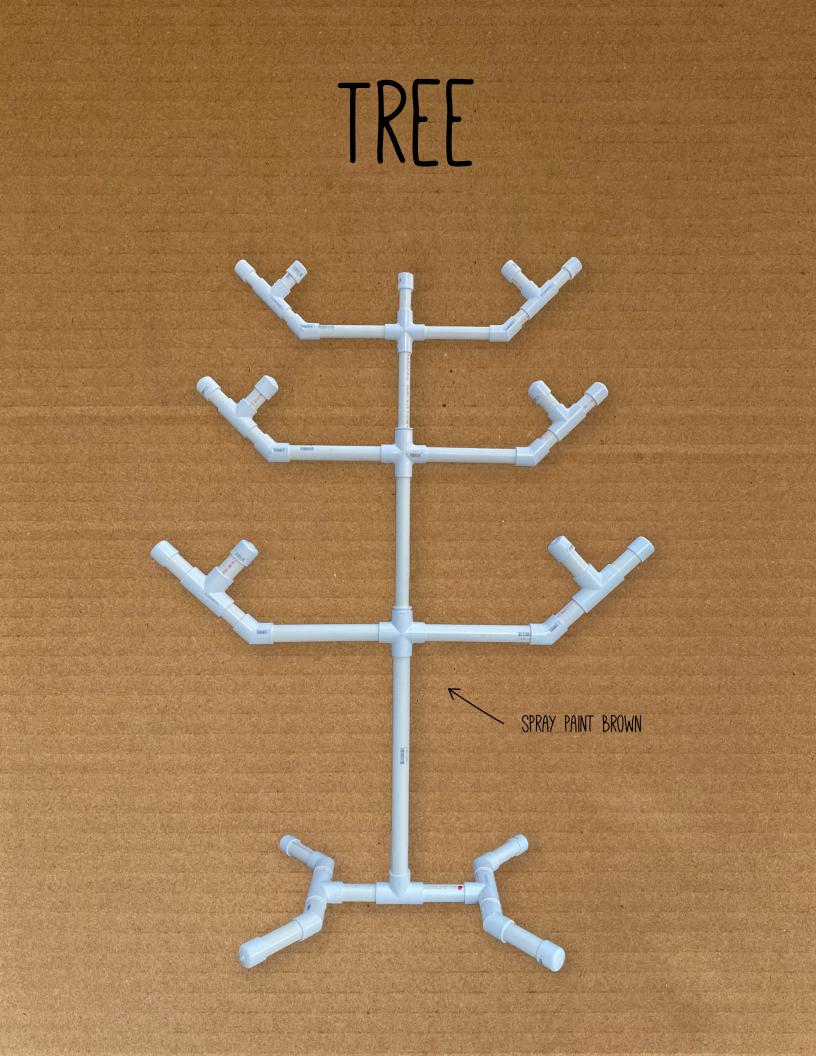
UPPER BRANCHES (CONNECTED TO UPPER TRUNK) LEFT SIDE SHOWN, REPEAT FOR RIGHT SIDE



TREE TO MINDLE T

UPPER TRUNK (CONNECTED TO MIDDLE TRUNK)





GREEN CONSTRUCTION PAPER

4 BROWN PIPE CLEANERS ->>

CUT THREE VARIOUS SIZE LEAVES PER BRANCH

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MAKE 2 HOLE PUNCH HOLES AT ONE END 0

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TWIST 2 PIPE CLEANERS TOGETHER FOR EXTRA STRENGTH. MAKING SURE THEY ARE SECURE ON BOTH ENDS SO THEY WILL NOT UNRAVEL.

TWIST 2 PIPE CLEANERS TOGETHER SECURELY TO MAKE THREE BRANCHES

THIS END CURLS AROUND THE BRANCH OF THE TREE

FRONT

BACK

PULL PIPE CLEANER THROUGH BOTH HOLES (THIS HELPS SUPPORT THE LEAF) FRUIT

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CUT OUT A STEM SHAPE

CUT OUT A LEAF SHAPE

CUT 1 PIECE OF BROWN PIPE CLEANER IN HALF

CUT OUT AN APPLE SHAPE

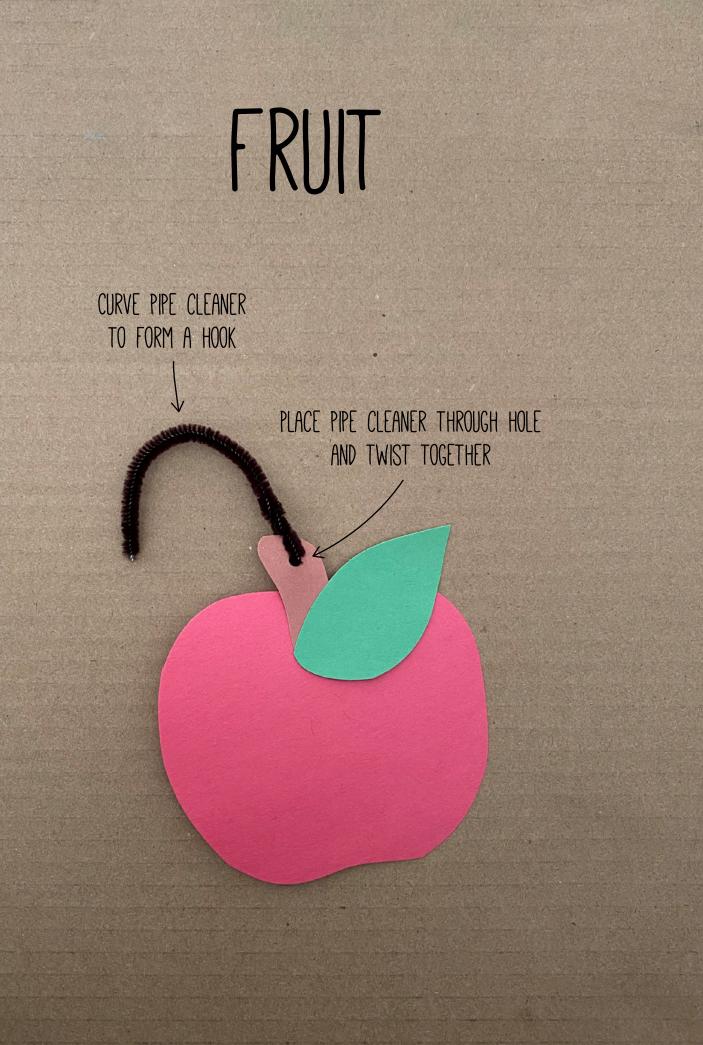
FRUIT

CUT A SMALL HOLE WITH A HOLE PUNCH

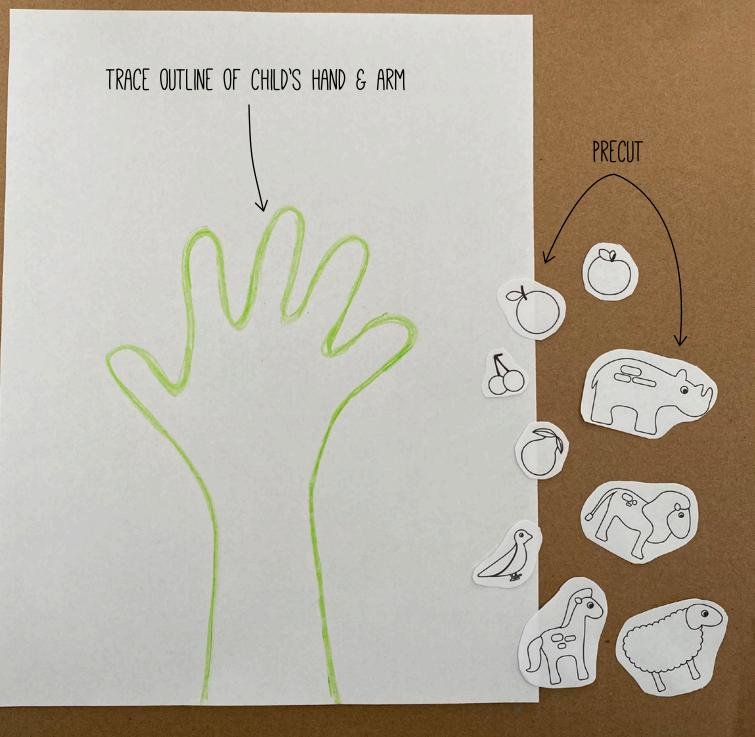
GLUE STEM ON APPLE

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GLUE LEAF ON TOP OF STEM

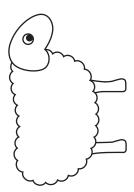


"HAND" TREE

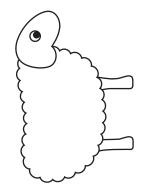


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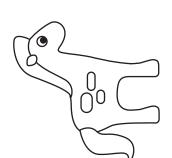


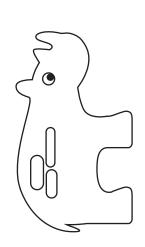


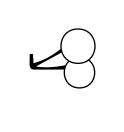














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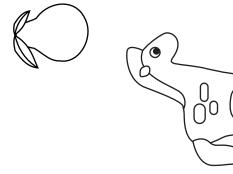








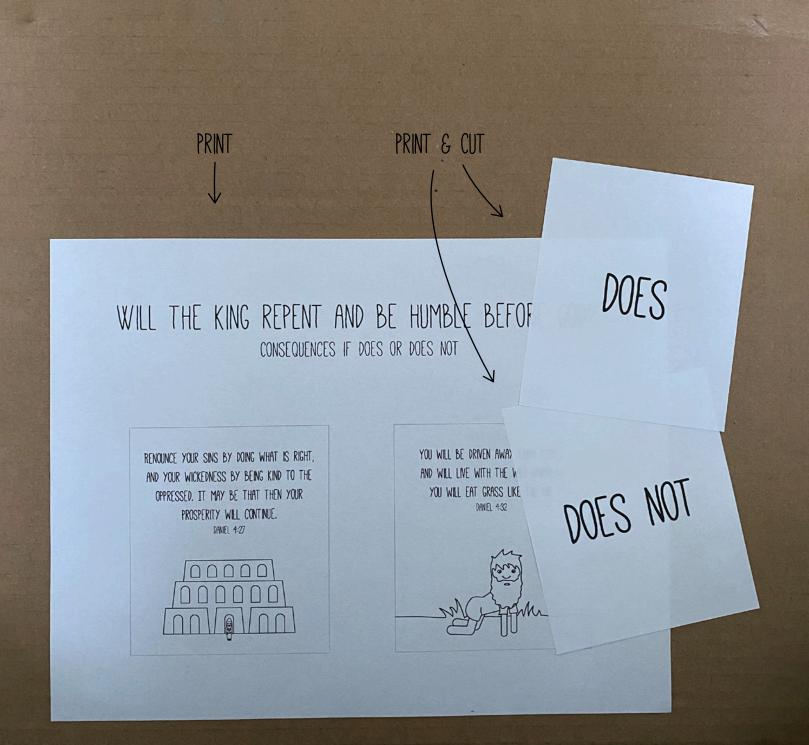




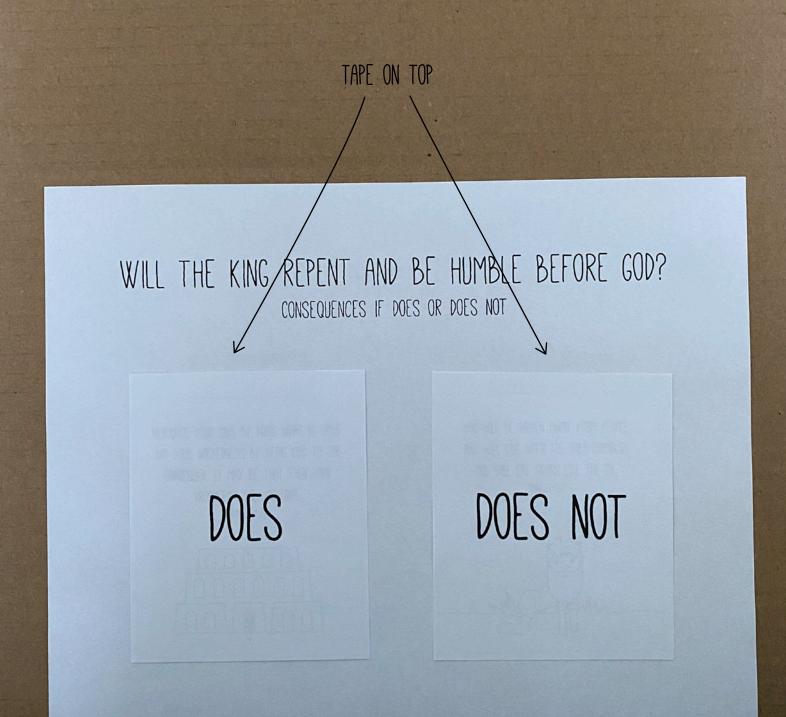
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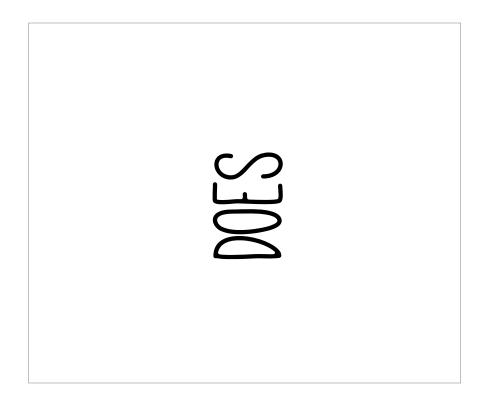
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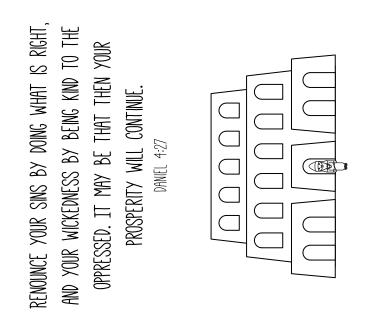






WILL THE KING REPENT AND BE HUMBLE BEFORE GOD? CONSEQUENCES IF DOES OR DOES NOT





This is what is decreed for you, King Nebuchadnezzar: Your royal authority has been taken from you. You will be driven away from people and will live with the wild animals; you will eat grass like the ox. Seven times will pass by for you until you acknowledge that the Most High is sovereign over all kingdoms on earth and gives them to anyone he wishes.

EDIBLE GRASS

- 1. Turn oven on to 350* for 10 minutes.
- 2. Mix 2 cups of sweetened shredded coconut with 4 tsp of spinach puree.
- 3. Turn oven off and bake for at least 10 minutes, stirring the coconut every few minutes.



FEATHER HAT



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PLACE FEATHERS IN A ROW AND TAPE ON WITH A LONG STRIP OF TAPE

GLUE AND TAPE THE TWO STRIPS OF PAPER TOGETHER TO FORM ONE LONG STRIP. AFTER TAPING ON THE FEATHERS, TAPE OTHER ENDS OF THE STRIPS TOGETHER TO FIT CHILD AND FORM A HEADBAND.

HUMBLE HEART

HOLE PUNCH

PRINT & CUT OUT

NOW I, NEBUCHADNEZZAR, PRAISE AND EXALT AND GLORIFY THE KING OF HEAVEN

DANIEL 4:37

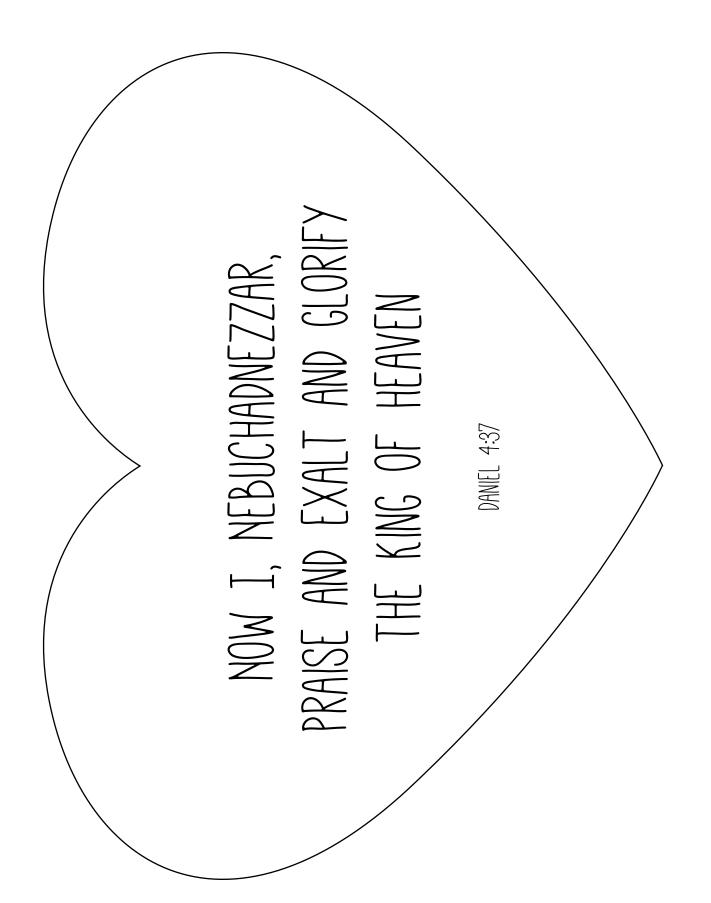
2 BEADS

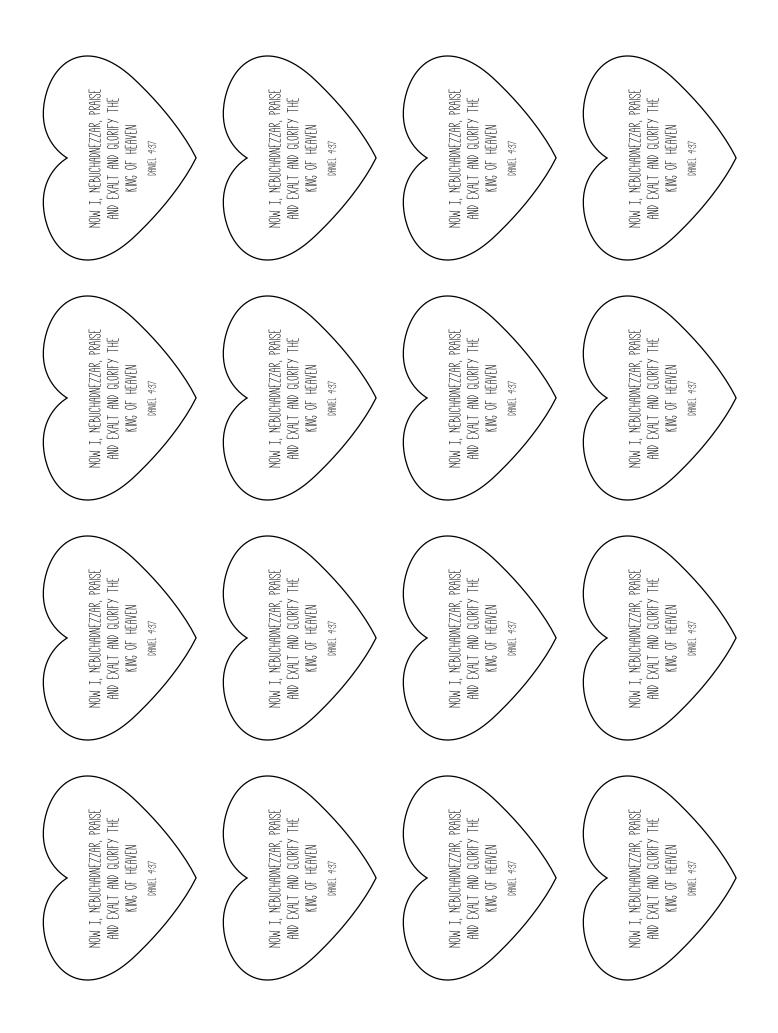
YARN

HUMBLE HEART

LACE YARN THROUGH HOLE PUNCH AND PLACE BEAD THROUGH HOLE ON BACK SIDE OF HEART

TIE BEAD SECURELY





AND THOSE WHO WALK IN PRIDE HE IS ABLE TO HUMBLE.	DANIEL 4:37	AND THOSE WHO WALK IN PRIDE HE IS ABLE TO HUMBLE. DANIEL 4:37
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