



### DREAMS

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#### PETER'S VISION

#### **FOCUS**

ACTS 10:1-5, 9-15, 19-20, 23-24, 28, 44 & 46-48

Peter had a vision about a blanket coming down from heaven!

#### **MATERIALS**

Peter's Vision picture

Cornelius, Peter & Angel actor & name tags

Penny & snack (1 set per child)

Peter on the Roof coloring page (1 per child)

Sheet/large piece of paper/tablecloth

Animal (1 per child)

Voice actor

Clean/unclean checklist (1 per child) & Clean/unlcean list

Three men actors

Holy Spirit hats (1 per child)

Water to sprinkle

Crayons & tape

#### CORRESPONDING VERSE

#### **ACTIVITIES**

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

TALK: Ask the children if they know about Peter's vision of the blanket and the animals!

ACTIVITY: Show children the Peter's Vision picture and hang nearby for them to see.



#### 2. CORNELIUS

TALK: Cornelius was a centurion! He was in charge of Roman soldiers, but even though he was not Jewish, he loved God, gave to those in need and prayed!

ACTIVITY: Have the Cornelius actor (wearing the name tag) give each child a penny and a snack. Then have him give a prayer of thanksgiving!

AT CAESAREA THERE WAS
A MAN NAMED CORNELIUS,
A CENTURION IN WHAT WAS
KNOWN AS THE ITALIAN
REGIMENT. HE AND ALL HIS
FAMILY WERE DEVOUT AND
GOD—FEARING; HE GAVE
GENEROUSLY TO THOSE IN NEED
AND PRAYED TO GOD REGULARLY.

ACTS 10:1-2

#### **ACTIVITIES**

#### 3. ANGEL

TALK: Cornelius saw an Angel! The Angel told him to find Peter and have him come to visit!

ACTIVITY: Have the Angel actor (wearing the name tag) come and say "God is happy that you give and are kind. He wants you to send men to Joppa and bring back a man named Peter to talk to you!"

#### CORRESPONDING VERSE

HE DISTINCTLY SAW AN ANGEL OF GOD, ..."YOUR PRAYERS AND GIFTS TO THE POOR HAVE COME UP AS A MEMORIAL OFFERING BEFORE GOD. NOW SEND MEN TO JOPPA TO BRING BACK A MAN NAMED SIMON WHO IS CALLED PETER." ACTS 10:3-5

#### 4. HUNGRY

TALK: While 3 of Cornelius' men were on their way to find Peter, Peter was at Simon's house and he was hungry! While he waited for his food to get ready he went on the roof to pray!

ACTIVITY: Have the children color the Peter on the Roof coloring page.



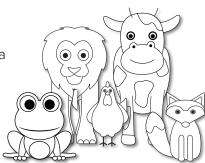
ABOUT NOON THE FOLLOWING DAY AS THEY WERE ON THEIR JOURNEY AND APPROACHING THE CITY, PETER WENT UP ON THE ROOF TO PRAY. HE BECAME HUNGRY AND WANTED SOMETHING TO EAT.

ACTS 10:9-10

#### 5. THE SHEET

TALK: While Peter was on the roof he fell into a trance and had a vision! He saw a large sheet come down from heaven, and on the sheet were animals, reptiles and birds!

ACTIVITY: Have the children color an animal, reptile or bird and tape it to the sheet/large piece of paper/tablecloth, then have the sheet come down in front of them.



WHILE THE MEAL WAS BEING PREPARED HE FEEL INTO A TRANCE. HE SAW HEAVEN OPENED AND SOMETHING LIKE A LARGE SHEET BEING LET DOWN TO EARTH BY ITS FOUR CORNERS. IT CONTAINED ALL KINDS OF FOUR—FOOTED ANIMALS, AS WELL AS REPTILES AND BIRDS.

ACTS 10:10-12

#### **ACTIVITIES**

#### 6. ANIMALS

TALK: A voice told Peter to get up and eat, but Peter said no! Some of the food was unclean! Then the voice told him that he should not call anything impure that God says is clean!

ACTIVITY: Have the children write on the **checklist** which food is clean and which food is unclean using the **clean/unclean list**. Then have a voice tell the children to "Eat!" and the Peter actor (wearing the name tag) say "No!". Then have the voice say, "Do not call anything impure that God has made clean!" Afterwards have the children check the "God says clean" box on all the animals!



#### CORRESPONDING VERSE

THEN A VOICE TOLD HIM,
"GET UP, PETER. KILL AND
EAT." "SURELY NOT, LORD!"
PETER REPLIED. "I HAVE
NEVER RATED ANYTHING
IMPURE OR UNCLEAN." THE
VOICE SPOKE TO HIM A
SECOND TIME, "DO NOT CALL
ANYTHING IMPURE THAT GOD
HAS MADE CLEAN."
ACTS 10:13-15

#### 7. FOLLOW

TALK: As Peter was thinking about the vision, the Holy Spirit told him that 3 men were there to see him, and that Peter should follow them!

ACTIVITY: Have the Peter actor say "I need to think about this" then have the voice say "Peter, three men are downstairs waiting for you. Go with them." Then have three strangers come up to Peter and ask him to follow them.

## WHILE PETER WAS STILL THINKING ABOUT THE VISION, THE SPIRIT SAID TO HIM, "SIMON, THREE MEN ARE LOOKING FOR YOU. SO GET UP AND GO DOWNSTAIRS. DO NOT HESITATE TO GO WITH THEM, FOR I HAVE SENT THEM." ACTS 10:19-20

#### 8. WALK

TALK: The three men sent by Cornelius were at the house and asking for Peter, and the next day Peter went with them to Cornelius' house!

ACTIVITY: Have Peter say, "I will go with you!" then have the children and Peter walk with the men to Cornelius house.

### THE NEXT DAY PETER STARTED OUT WITH THEM. ACTS 10:23

#### 9. LISTEN

TALK: Cornelius and all his family and friends were waiting for Peter to come and see them! To hear what God told him to say!

ACTIVITY: Have the Cornelius actor welcome Peter and tell him "My whole family is here to hear what you have to say!" Then have the children sit.

CORNELIUS WAS EXPECTING THEM AND HAD CALLED TOGETHER HIS RELATIVES AND CLOSE FRIENDS.

ACTS 10:24

#### **ACTIVITIES**

#### 10. CLEAN

TALK: Peter told Cornelius that he was a Jew and that Cornelius was a gentile and it was against Jewish law that he should come and visit! But before Peter even got the invitation to come and see Cornelius, God had told him that Peter should not call anyone impure or unclean that God calls clean!

ACTIVITY: Have Peter cross out the "Un" on Cornelius' Unclean sign and tell him that "God says you are clean!"



#### CORRESPONDING VERSE

HE SAID TO THEM; "YOU ARE WELL AWARE THAT IT IS AGAINST OUR LAW FOR A JEW TO ASSOCIATE WITH OR VISIT A GENTILE. BUT GOD HAS SHOWN ME THAT I SHOULD NOT CALL ANYONE IMPURE OR UNCLEAN."

ACTS 10:28

#### 11. HOLY SPIRIT

TALK: Peter told everyone in Cornelius' house all about Jesus, and while he was speaking the people were filled with the Holy Spirit!

ACTIVITY: Have everyone put on Holy Spirit hats.



WHILE PETER WAS SPEAKING THESE WORDS, THE HOLY SPIRIT CAME ON ALL WHO HEARD THE MESSAGE. ACTS 10:44

#### 12. WATER

TALK: The people were filled with the Holy Spirit and now Peter wanted to baptize them in water too!

ACTIVITY: Sprinkle the children with water.

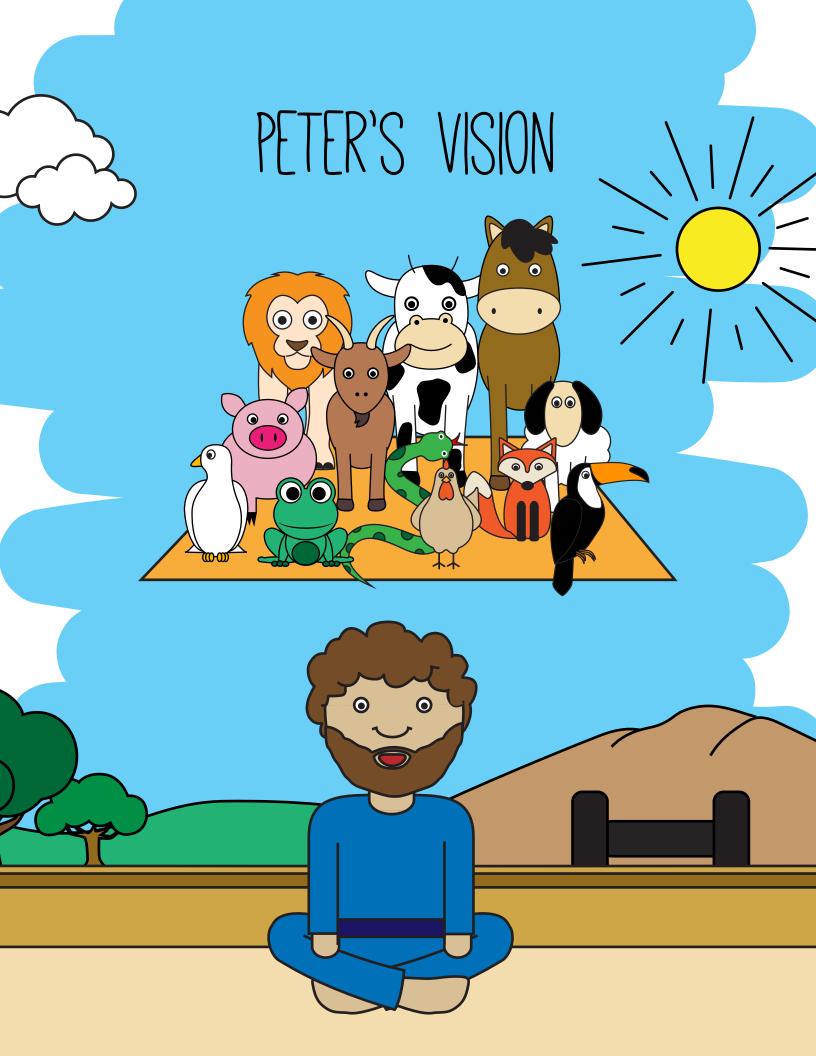
THE PETER SAID, "SURELY NO ONE CAN STAND IN THE WAY OF THEIR BEING BAPTIZED WITH WATER. THEY HAVE RECEIVED THE HOLY SPIRIT JUST AS WE HAVE." SO HE ORDERED THAT THEY BE BAPTIZED IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST.

ACTS 10:46-48

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

BUT GOD HAS SHOWN ME THAT
I SHOULD NOT CALL ANYONE
IMPURE OR UNCLEAN.

ACTS 10:28



## NAME TAG

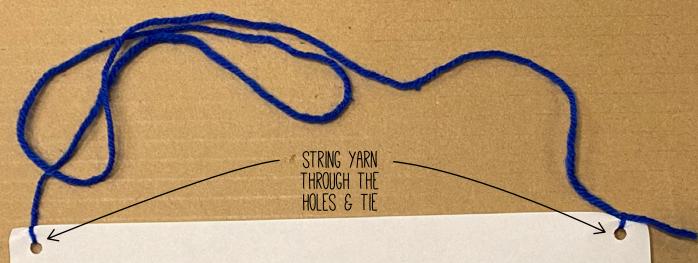
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PRINT & CUT OUT ALL SIGNS



# CORNELIUS UNCLEAN

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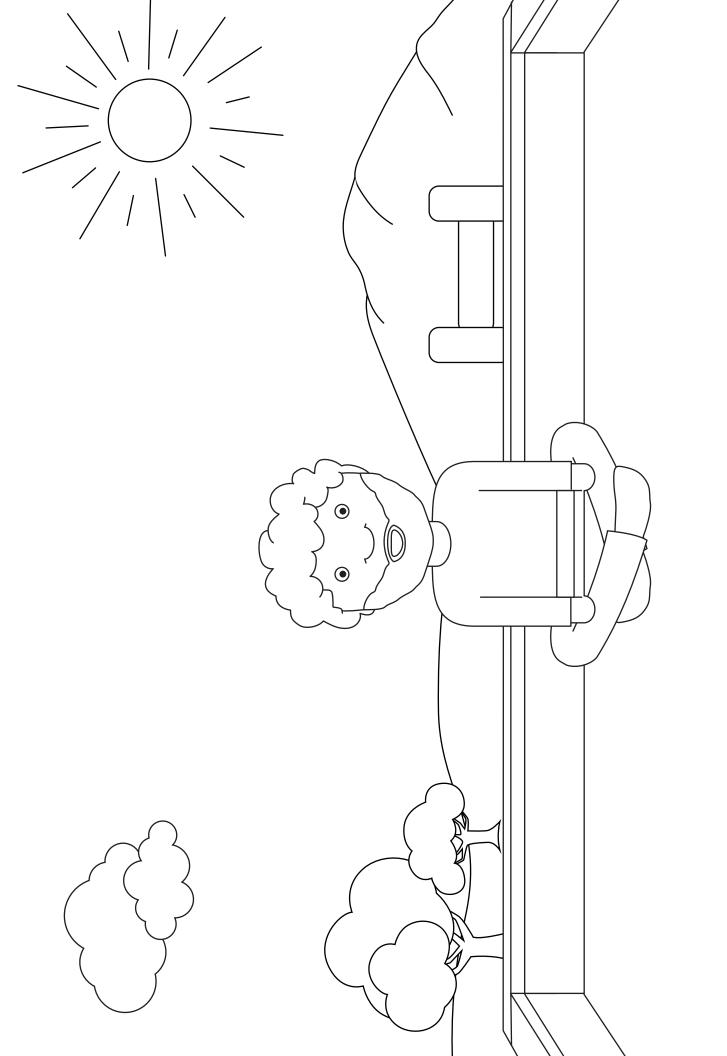


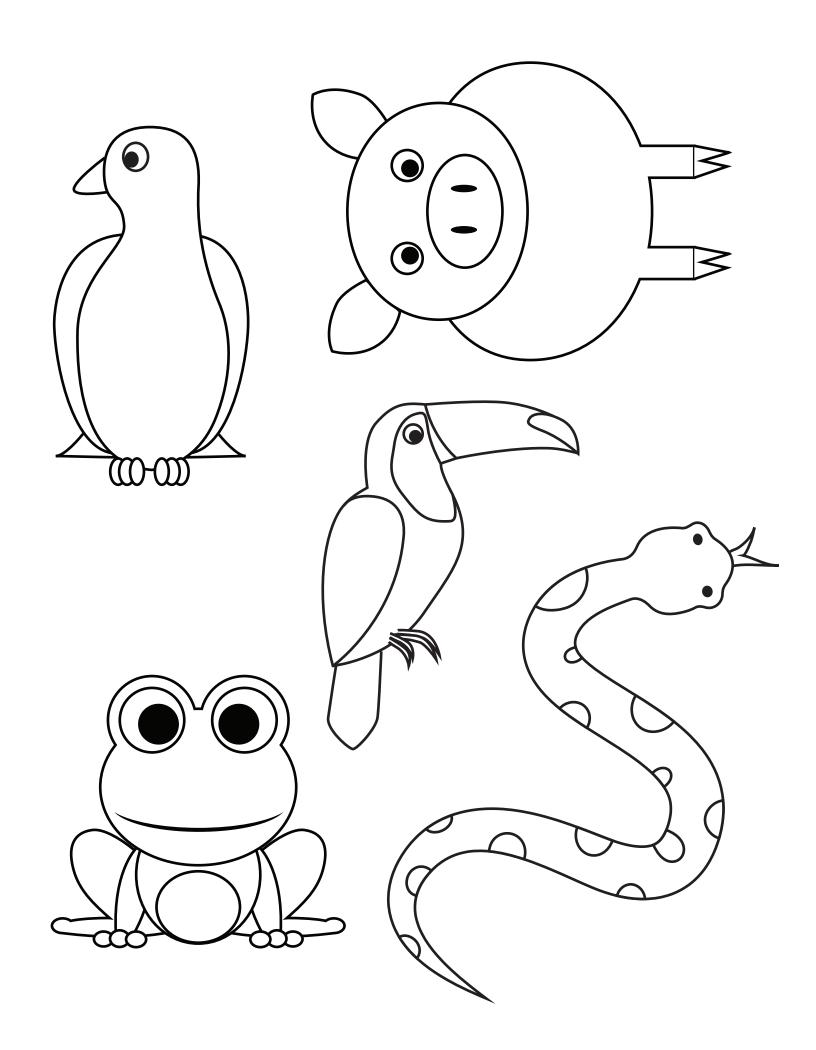
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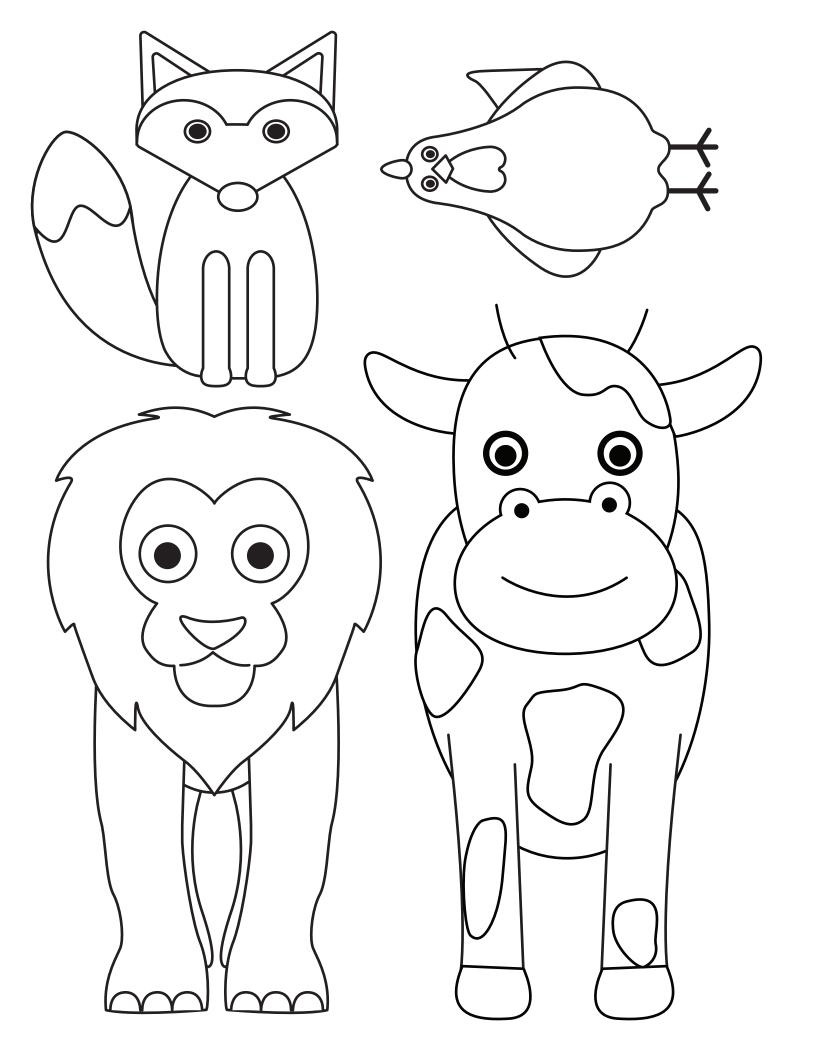
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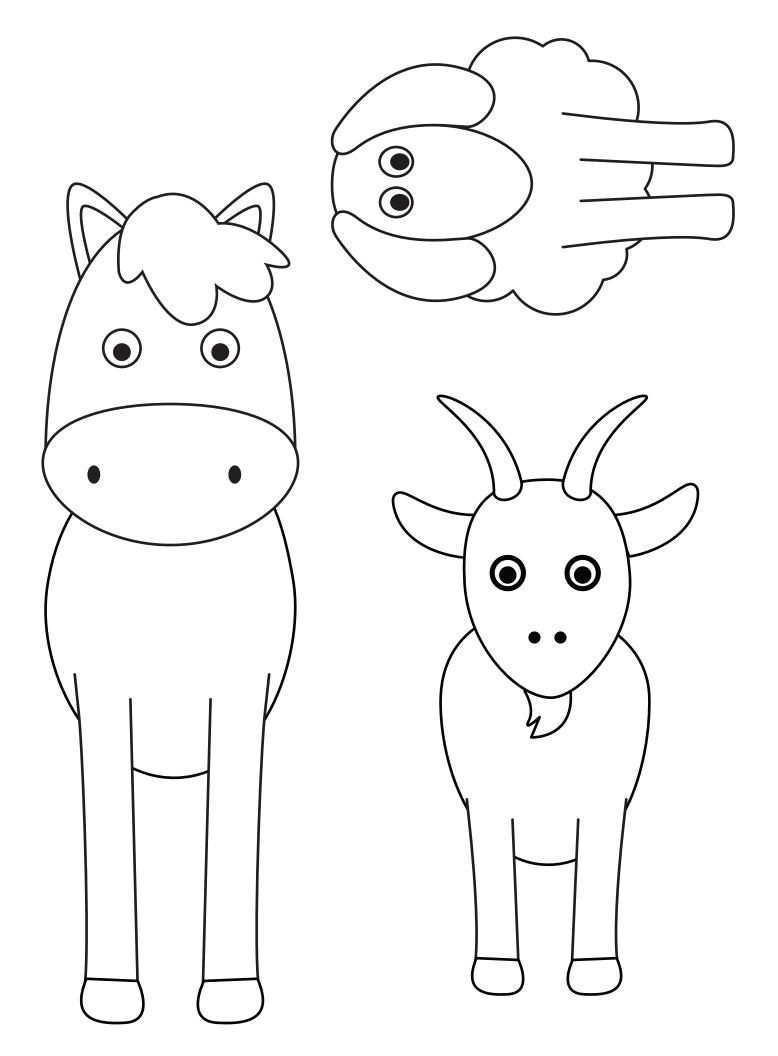
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#### ACTVITY 3

Angel: God is happy that you give and are kind. He wants you to send men to Joppa and bring back a man named Peter to talk to you!

ACTIVITY 6

Voice: Eat!

Peter: No!

**Voice:** Do not call anything impure that God has made clean!

#### ACTIVITY 7

Peter: I need to think about this

**Voice:** Peter, three men are downstairs waiting for you. Go with them.

ACTIVITY 8

Peter: I will go with you!

PETER FOLLOWS 3 MEN TO CORNELIUS HOUSE.

ACTIVITY 9

CORNELIUS WELCOMES PETER INTO HOUSE.

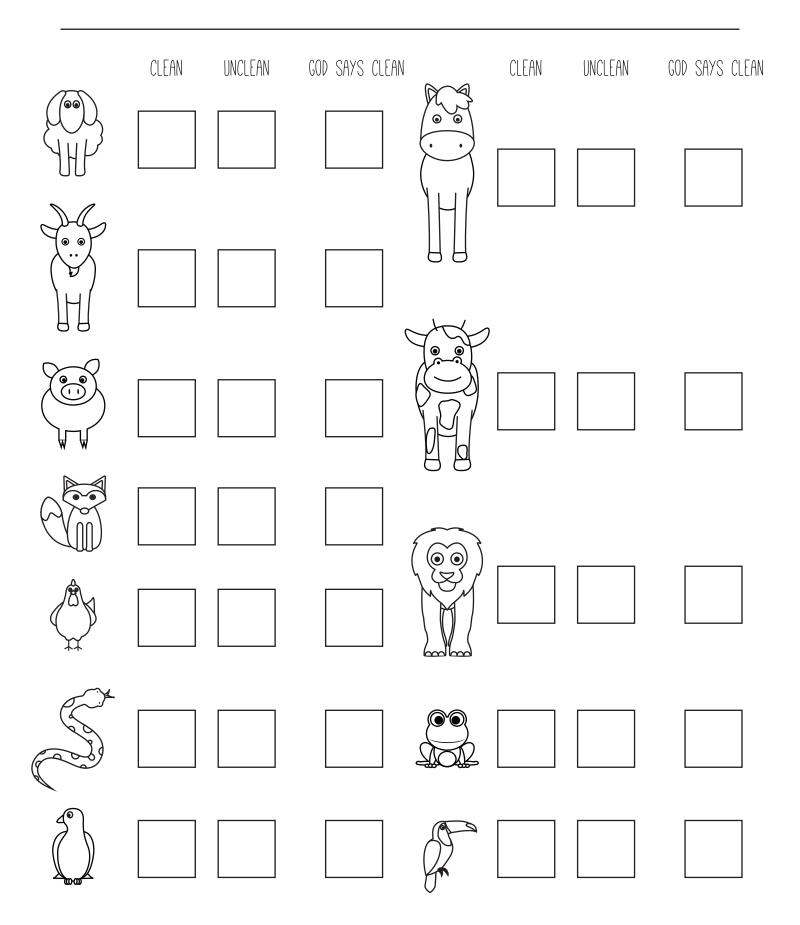
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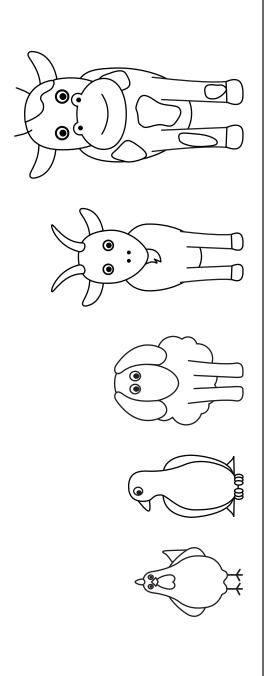
ACTIVITY 10

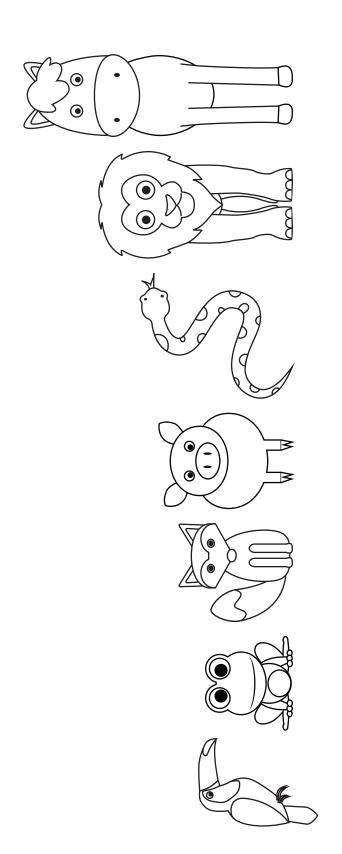
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Peter: God says you are clean!

#### FOOD



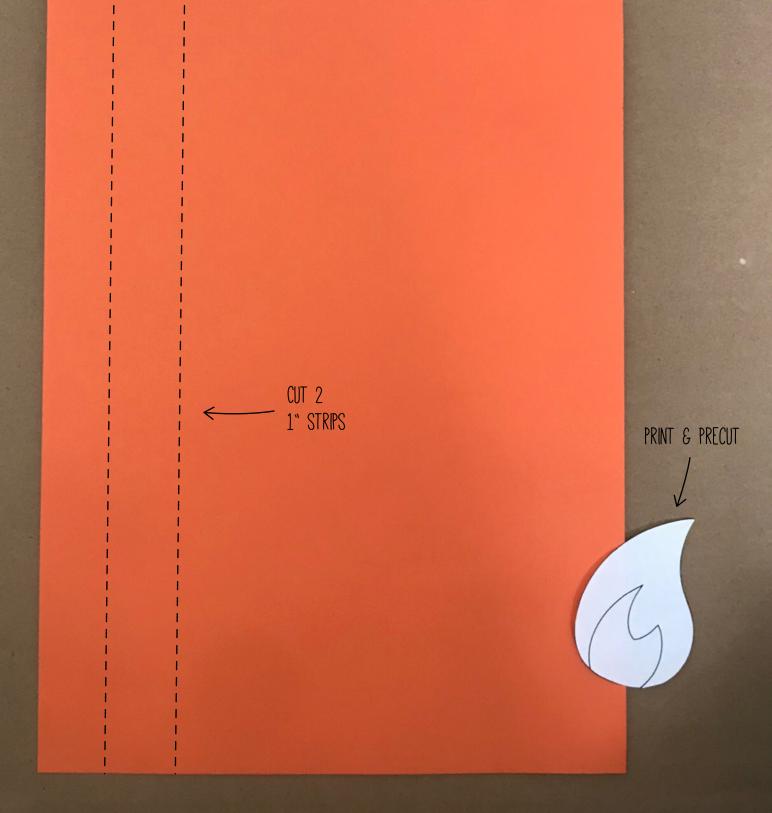




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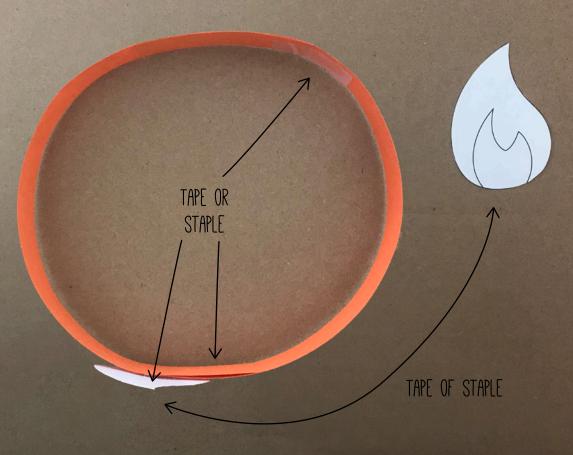
CLEAN

## HOLY SPIRIT HAT



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TAPE OR STAPLE THE TWO STRIPS TOGETHER SO THEIR ENDS TOUCH, THEN TAPE OR STAPLE THE OTHER ENDS TOGETHER AT A DIAMETER THAT WILL FIT ON TOP OF A CHILD.





TAPE OR STAPLE

BUT GOD HAS SHOWN ME THAT
I SHOULD NOT CALL ANYONE
IMPURE OR UNCLEAN.

ACTS 10:28

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