

RAINBOW OF PROMISE INSTRUCTIONS:

Supplies needed: copies of the rainbow pattern, colors/markers. (Optional: hole punch and yarn or ribbon.)

Give each child a copy of the rainbow. Let students look at the color key and COLOR their own rainbow of promise:

- 1 – red
- 2 – orange
- 3 – yellow
- 4 – green
- 5 – blue
- 6 – purple

(NOTE: Purple has been indicated instead of indigo and violet for simplicity for young children.)

Explain the symbols and words in the Bible verse from Luke 18:33b: *The third day, He will rise again.* Say the verse together several times as students color the rainbow. When they are done, ask if they can say the verse when they put a cloud (hand) over the rainbow.

Students could use the rainbow as a bookmark in one of their favorite books. They could also punch a hole in the top and tie a piece of yarn so they can hang it on a doorknob or in their bedrooms as a reminder that Jesus lives.

CROSS OF JESUS INSTRUCTIONS

Supplies needed: brown construction paper, hole punch, yarn or ribbon. (Optional: glue, pictures of flowers, and leaves.)

Give each child a copy of the cross pattern with “JESUS” written horizontally and vertically. Let students COLOR the cross whatever color they want (e.g. red for the blood of Jesus, brown like wood) or give them a cross cut out of construction paper. Punch a hole at the top and tie a loop of ribbon or yarn for hanging as a reminder that Jesus died for us so that our sins can be forgiven and we can live forever with Him.

Optional: GLUE the cross onto a larger piece of paper and let children DRAW flowers, leaves, and grass at the bottom of the paper to represent our new life as a result of Jesus’ death on the cross. Or instead of cutting the cross out, DRAW flowers or leaves at the foot of the cross. Or cut out pictures of leaves and flowers and glue to the foot of the cross.