

An Evil Spirit Touches the Word Moving Picture | Swedenborg

Once when Swedenborg was in the spiritual world he saw the Word surrounded by precious stones. When angels looked at the Word they saw sparkling rainbows appear around it. The rainbows are like beautiful true thoughts in the angels' minds. Then Swedenborg saw an evil spirit come near the Word. His mind was full of false ideas. The beautiful rainbows vanished and red blood appeared around the Word. An angel warned the evil spirit not to touch the Word but he touched it anyway. The second he touched the Word, fire and smoke burst from it and there was a loud explosion. The evil spirit was thrown into a corner where he lay still. An angel explained to Swedenborg that the explosion happened because he treated the Word badly. Create a moving picture to illustrate this story.



Materials Needed

An Evil Spirit Touches the Word

The Evil Spirit

heavy paper for printing project pages

scissors

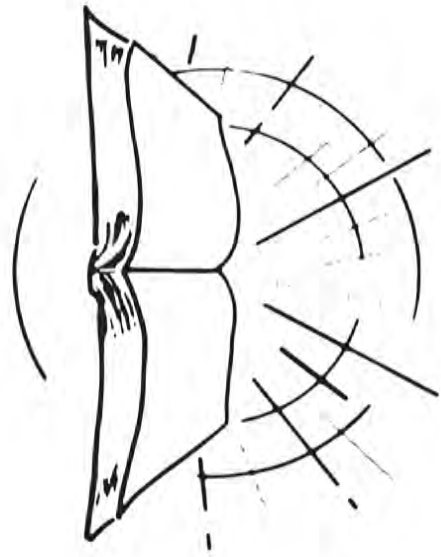
markers or colored pencils

stapler

Directions

1. Print *An Evil Spirit Touches the Word*, and *The Evil Spirit* on heavy paper.
2. Start with the page *An Evil Spirit Touches the Word*. Choose whether to decorate the Word with gems and rainbows, as the angels saw it, or with red blood, flames and smoke, as the evil spirit saw it.
3. Using scissors, cut away the grey quarter circle. Set the page aside.
4. Color *The Evil Spirit* using markers or colored pencils.
5. Cut around *The Evil Spirit* on the grey line.
6. Trim the page on the grey line. Fold the page on the lines provided to create a sturdy handle for the evil spirit. Staple together.
7. Fold the handle in half and staple it to the back of the evil spirit at knee height so the handle hangs down below the body.
8. Insert the handle in the quarter circle cut from *An Evil Spirit Touches the Word* page. Act out the evil spirit touching the Word using the moving picture. As soon as the evil spirit touches the Word, move him down on his back to lay still.

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