Learn by Doing

Choice Clothed with Truth Mobile

Babies are born naked in both body and mind. They need physical clothing to keep them warm and safe. They also need mental clothing—we can see them constantly learning, working to clothe their minds. As they grow, they can be taught truths from the Lord’s Word—mental clothing that can help protect them spiritually. In this project, children make a mobile for the church nursery or as a gift for a congregation member’s new baby.

1. Clothing protects our bodies. Our minds need protecting too, and they are protected with “spiritual clothing”—true ideas from the Lord’s Word. These ideas protect us from evil and show us the way to heaven.
2. When we are first born we do not know any truths, so it is important for us to learn them. We are going to create a mobile to show the idea that truths are like clothing for our minds.
3. Discuss who will receive the mobile—the nursery or a baby in the congregation.
4. Hold up each piece of clothing from the mobile pages and read the quotations aloud. The quotations are matched with clothing that covers a particular part of the body, e.g. the hat has a quota-tion about thoughts.
5. Distribute the pieces to the children, separating the two socks and two mittens if you need more pieces. (For a large class, make more than one mobile.)
6. Have children decorate the pieces of clothing and the Word with crayons or markers. Add glitter to the Word if desired.
7. Cut out the pieces and punch holes on the large gray dots. Tie one string or piece of yarn through each hole.
8. Fasten the Word to the top of the coat hanger as shown in the picture. Tie the pieces of clothing onto the bottom of the coat hanger, varying the string lengths so the clothing hangs at different heights.
9. If time allows, present the completed mobile to the church or to the parents of the baby.



Materials Needed

stiff paper, crayons or markers, scissors, coat hanger, string or yarn, hole punch
optional: glitter

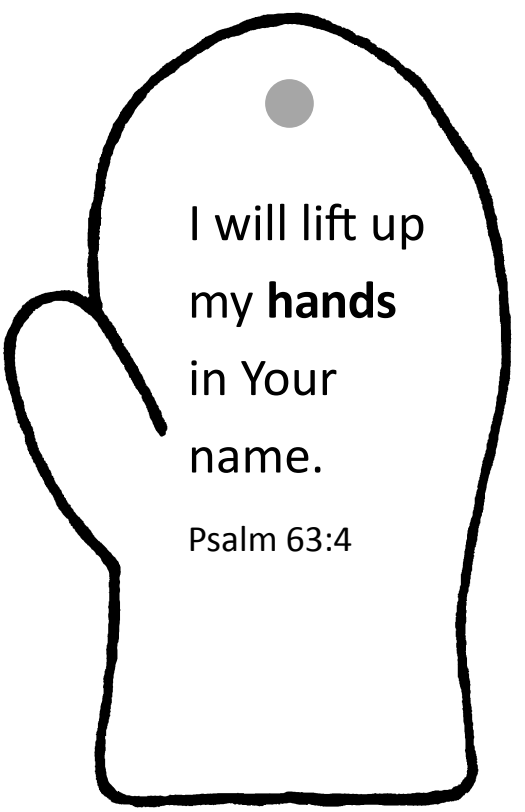
Prepare in Advance

Copy or mount the *Clothing Mobile A-E* (pp. 2-5) on to stiff paper. Cut pages 2 and 3 apart along the dotted lines.

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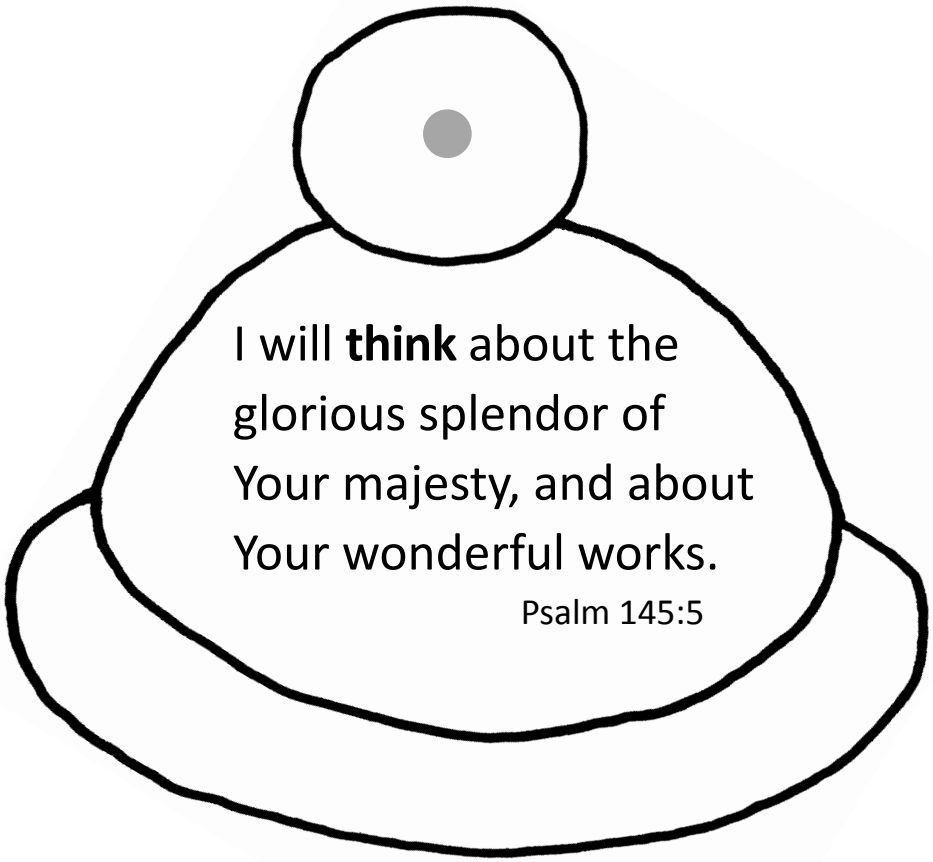
Clothe Us in Your Truth

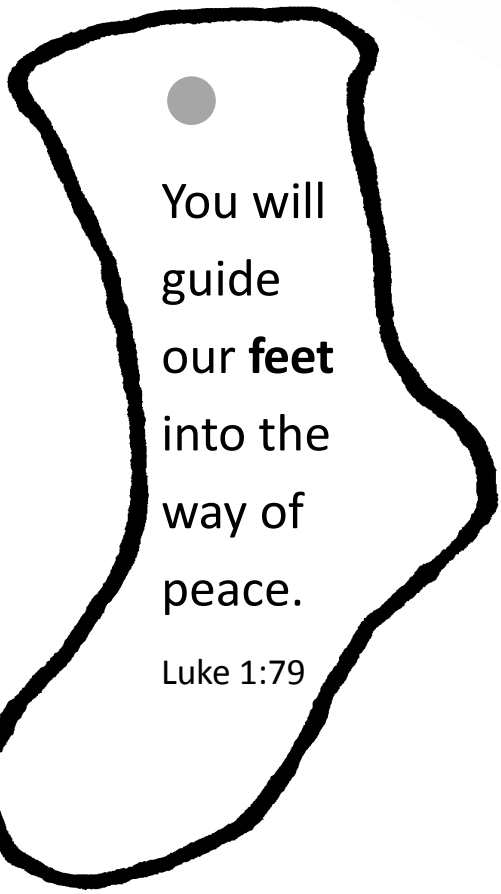


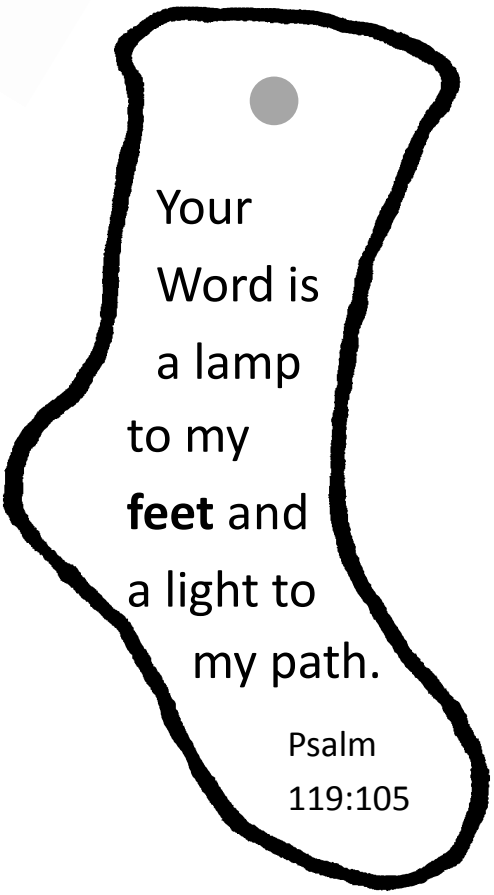


Clothing Mobile A

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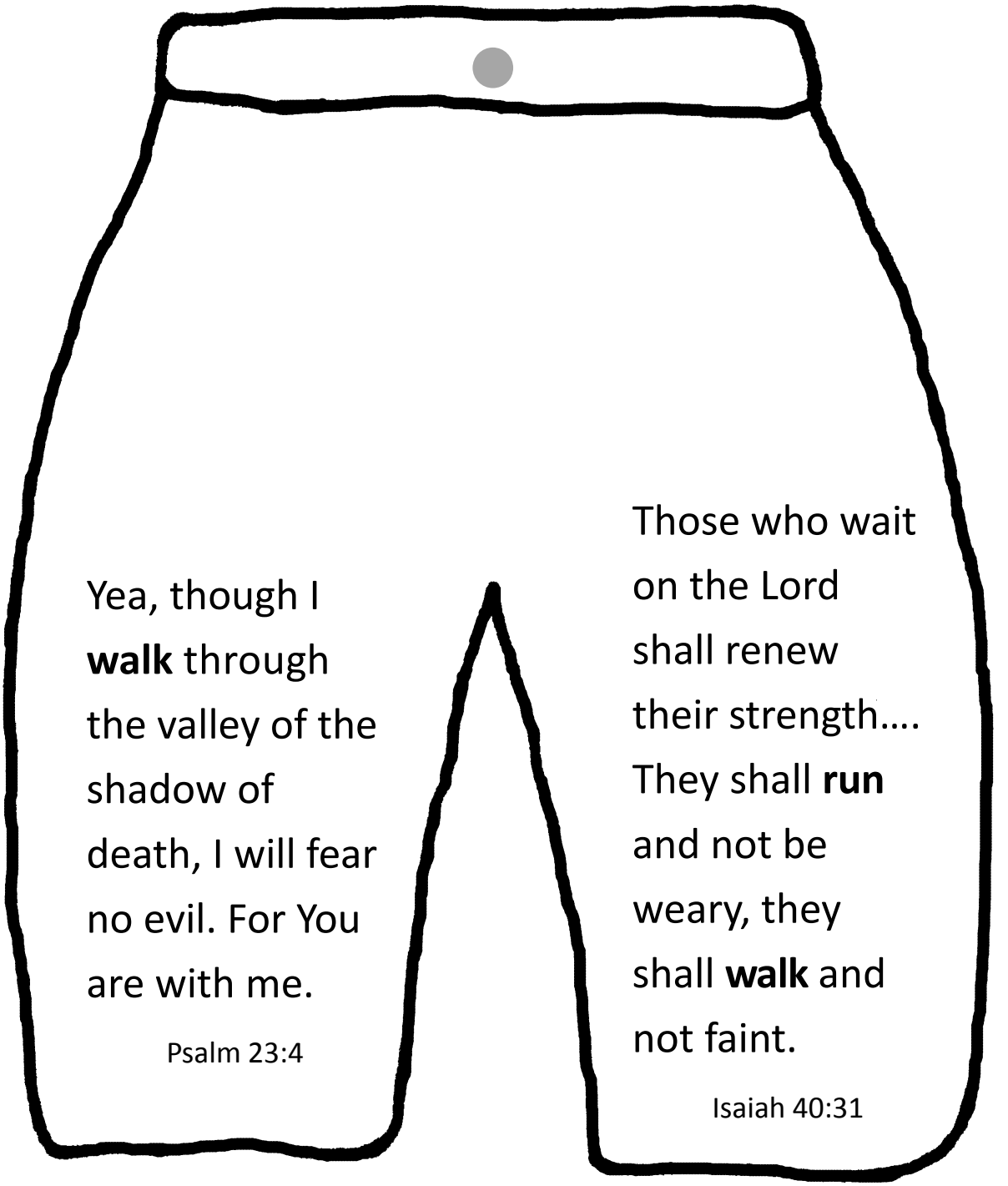
Clothing Mobile B

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