

# Ages 11-14: Healing Volvelle Reveal

## Materials Needed

*Upright Woman* and *Bent Over Woman* printed on stiff paper for each student, sharp scissors or craft knives, device for watching video

## Prepare in Advance

Print project on stiff paper. (It won't work on thin paper.) Gather sharp scissors or craft knives. Watch an instructional video at <https://www.newchurchvineyard.org/resource/video-how-to-assemble-a-volvelle> and prepare to show to your class. Make sample volvelle.

## New Church Concept Teacher Background

By 'the hands' is meant power and since this power is the capacity to act, the entire person engaged in action, is also meant by 'the hands'. By 'laying on the hands' is meant transmission on the part of the one who lays them on and reception on the part of the person on whom they are laid. From this it is evident what "laying the hand on" meant among the ancients, namely the transmission and transference of whatever thing it was that they had in mind, and also the reception of it by another, whether it was power, obedience, blessing, or testimony. See *Arcana Coelestia* 10023

Students will create a volvelle or revolving picture that depicts Jesus healing the woman. Volvelles are circular paper constructions with rotating parts. Early volvelles were the first forms of analog computers and have been used for about a thousand years to make complex astronomical calculations. This simple volvelle has been designed using the same principle. When complete, students will be able to make the bent woman straighten up to thank the Lord.



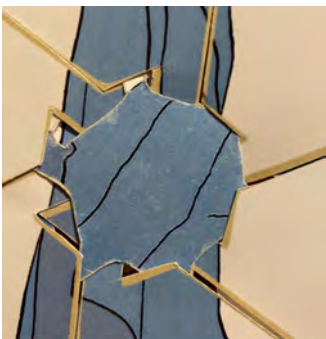
1. In the Word disabilities picture infirmities of mind. A woman with a crooked back is someone who struggles to look up toward the Lord. This project shows our ability to straighten our thinking to look upwards to the Lord.
2. Hand out pages one and two of the *Healing Volvelle Reveal* printed on stiff paper and a pair of scissors or craft knife.
3. Take paper with the *Upright Woman* and cut around circle and the tabs on the gold line. Then poke holes into the middle of the thick gold lines and cut along the straight radiating lines. Completely cut out all of the gold lines, so the six slits are about  $\frac{1}{4}$ " (.6 cm) wide. Cut as precisely and smoothly as possible.
4. Take the page with Jesus and the *Bent Over Woman*. Cut along the gold lines and semi-circle, leaving the rest of the page in one piece. You will have six wedges when finished.
5. Assembling the volvelle is tricky, so we've made a video to show how you do it. Watch <https://www.newchurchvineyard.org/resource/video-how-to-assemble-a-volvelle>.
6. Place the *Upright Woman* behind the *Bent Over Woman* and slide the large tab of the bottom page through the cut semi-circle on the top page. Push the tab to the left side of the circle, close to Jesus.
7. Slide one wedge from the *Bent Over Woman* through a cut in the *Upright Woman*. Continue sliding the wedges through one-by-one until all are done.
8. Holding the *Bent Over Woman* paper, gently pull the large tab to the right. Jiggle the pages if they are stuck. It may take some wiggling to align the pieces and make the volvelle work smoothly.
9. Use the volvelle to see a picture of the miracle the Lord did for the woman.

## New Church Concept Teacher Background

'To give glory to God' means to live according to Divine truth, as the Lord taught: In this is My Father glorified, that you may bear much fruit. (John 15:8). This makes clear that 'to give glory to God,' means to bear fruit. See *Arcana Coelestia* 840



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