Make:
The Lord Loves Everyone

At a Glance:
In Genesis, we read that Isaac and Rebekah each preferred one of their sons over the other: "And Isaac loved Esau because he ate of his game, but Rebekah loved Jacob" (25:28). These preferences were based on certain qualities in Esau and Jacob, who were indeed very different. This project illustrates the idea that all human beings are different and that the Lord loves everyone. Each child will create a picture of the Lord, Esau and Jacob.

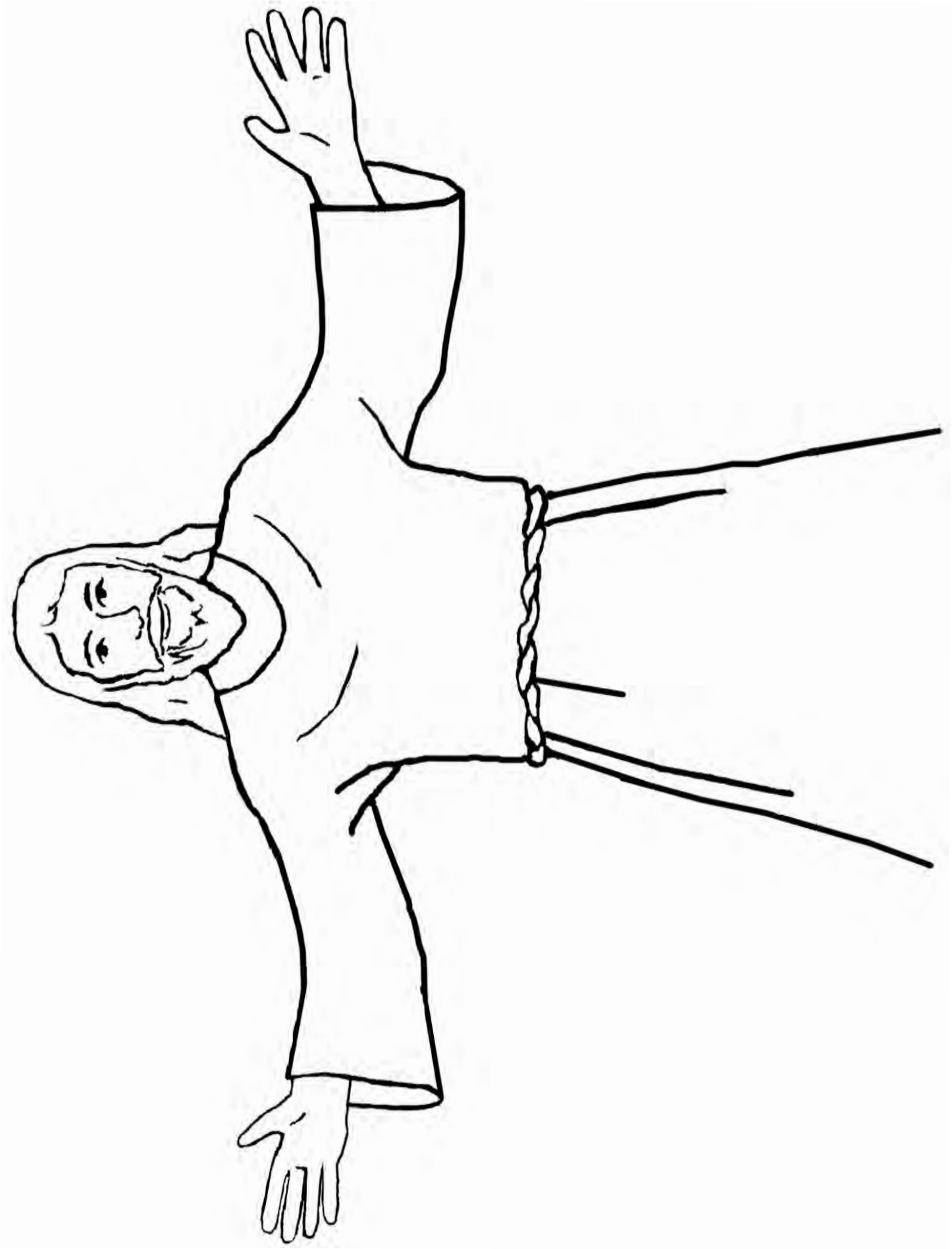


Supplies Needed for Each Student:
- copy of picture of the Lord
- copy of Esau (facing right)
- copy of Jacob (facing left)
- text slip: "The Lord Loves Everyone"
- crayons, colored pencils or markers
- glue or tape
- *optional:* additional decorations such as glitter or sequins for the Lord (lay down newspaper or use trays of some kind to catch the glitter), scraps of paper or fabric for Esau and Jacob's clothes, fake fur or yarn for Esau's hair, etc.

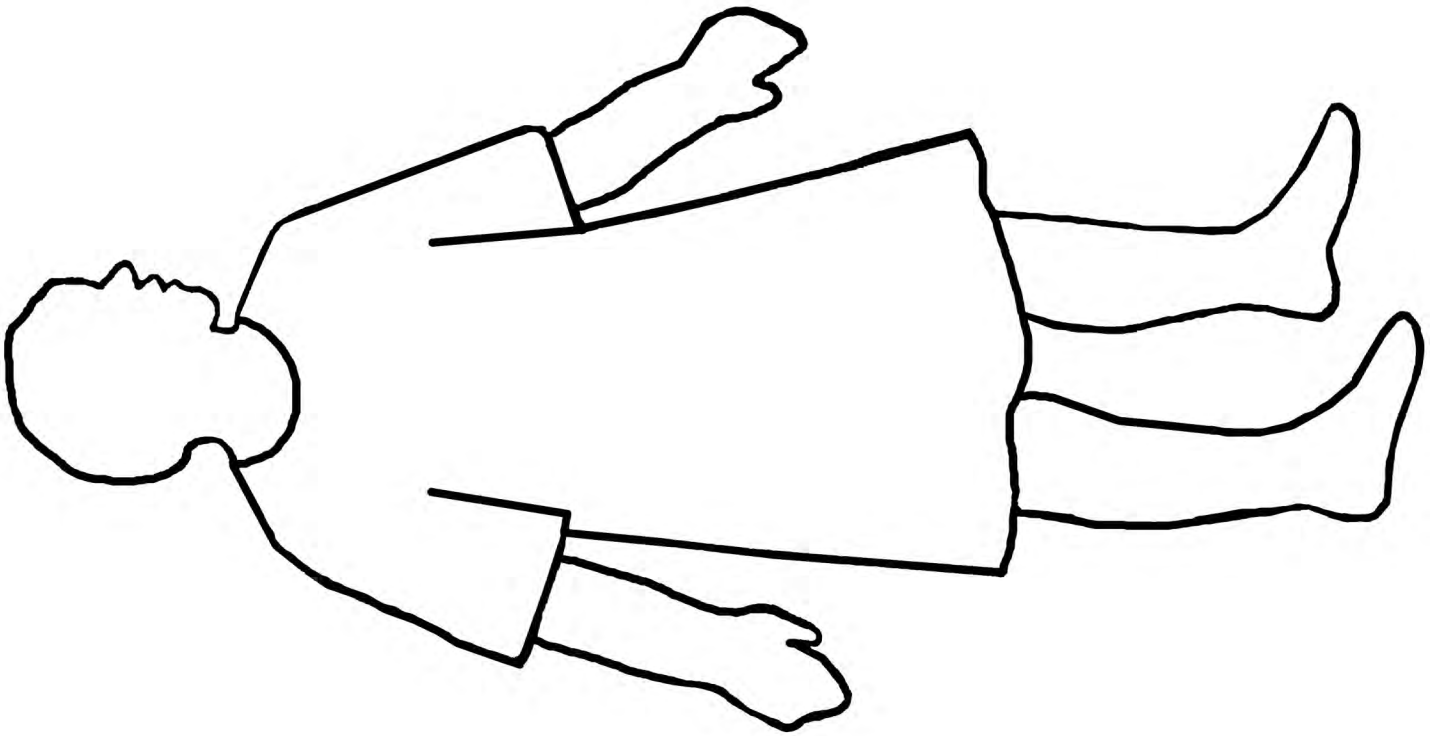
Teacher Preparation:
- Cut the pages with pictures of the brothers apart along the dotted lines.
- Cut apart the text slips.

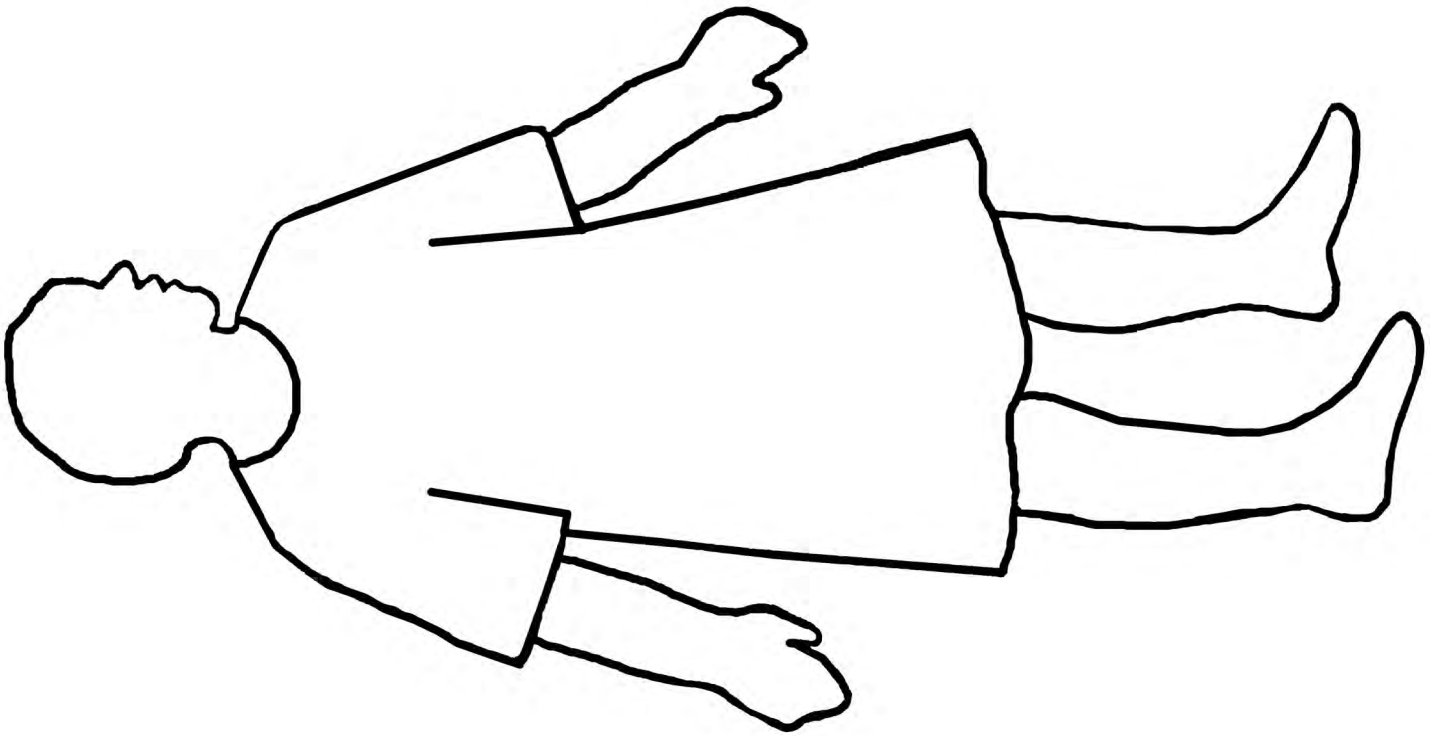
Directions:
1. Introduce the activity by reminding the children that Esau and Jacob were twins. They were quite different from each other. The Lord loved both of them. We are all different, too, and the Lord loves all of us.
2. Hand out the pictures of the Lord and ask the children to color them. Optional: Add glitter or sequins.
3. Hand out the pictures of Esau (facing left) and have the children color him. He was a hairy man and had a red (ruddy) complexion. Optional: Glue on fake fur for hair and/or scraps for clothing. Esau was also a hunter. Draw a bow or a spear in his hand.
4. Hand out the pictures of Jacob (facing right) and have the children color him. Jacob was mild and smooth. Color just a little hair on his head and none on his body. Optional: Glue on scraps for clothing. Jacob lived in tents and perhaps grew crops such as lentils or tended flocks. Draw a tent or a field of crops or a goat beside Jacob.
5. Help children glue or tape the edges of the three pictures together as shown above.
6. Glue a text slip underneath each picture of the Lord: "The Lord Loves Everyone".

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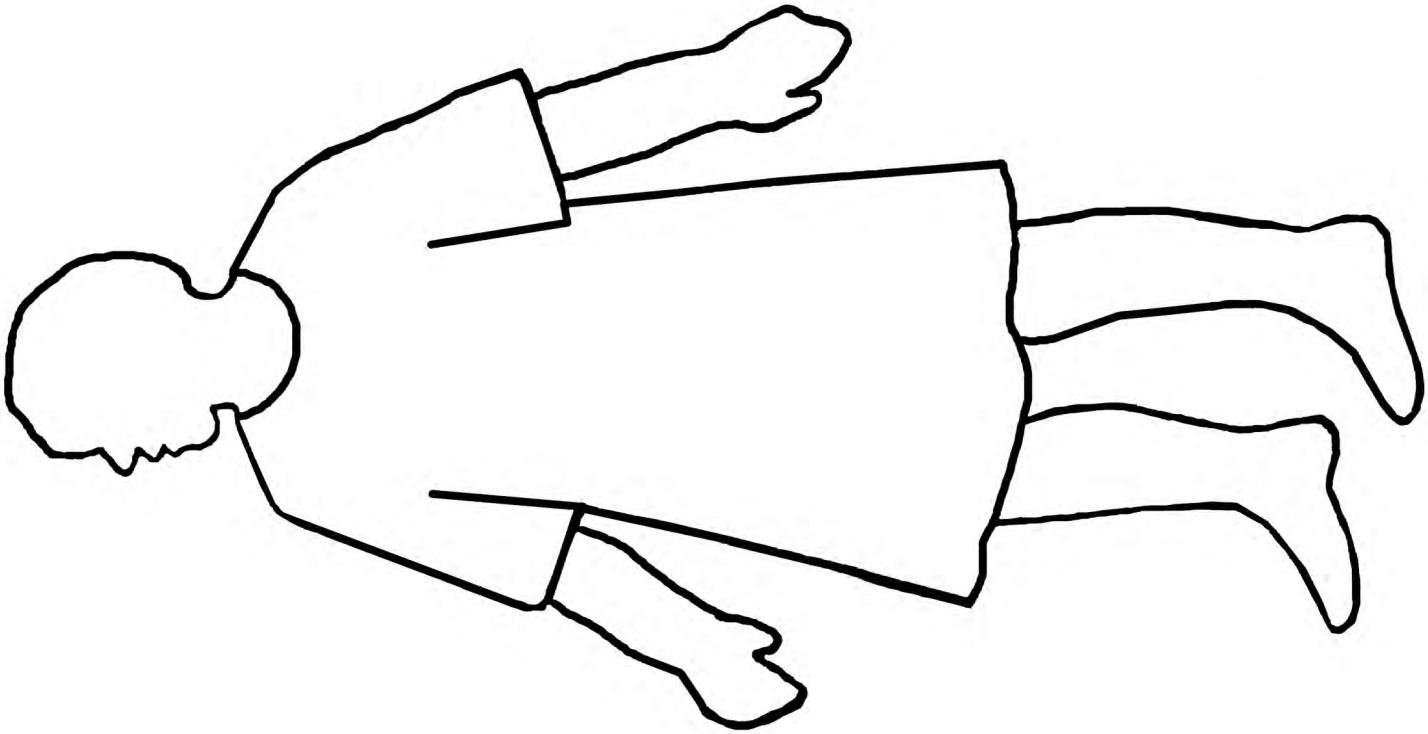
Esau - Cut apart and give one to each child.

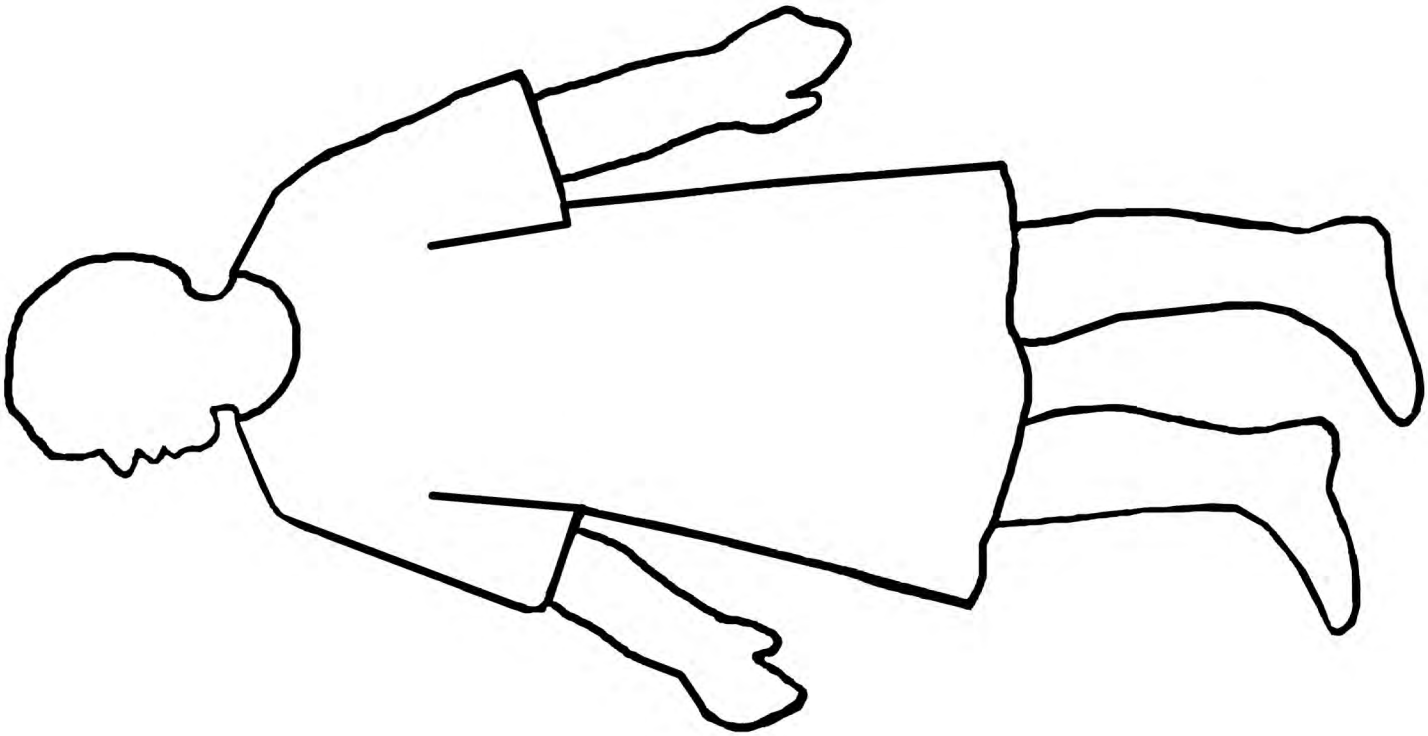




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