

This Week's Lesson

The Transfiguration

Luke 9:28-36

The title of this lesson is a very large word. It means something changing but also staying the same. Kind of like the transformers. In the Bible the transfiguration was written in a number of the Gospels, so it is something very important for us to know about. Here is a simple rendition of what was written.

Jesus went up on a mountain, and took a few of his closest friends : Peter, James, and John. As they were up there, Jesus was suddenly shining like the sun, all full of light.

This terrified the disciples. Then they saw Moses and Elijah, well known biblical figures. The disciples didn't know what to do. Then they were covered by a large cloud and they heard God's voice announce " this is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased - listen to Him!"

The disciples realized they were in God's presence, and fell on their faces in fear. .. but Jesus comforted them and told them to get back up. The disciples had caught a peek of who Christ was. The disciples had wondered if Jesus was the Messiah they had long awaited for. They thought He was, but this experience took away any doubt. Seeing Jesus transformed, in a way, and hearing God's voice made them absolutely certain of who they were following. How do you think they felt? They were probably pretty relieved to know who Jesus was for sure. .. and they were probably pretty excited! But Jesus told them not to tell anyone about it until later when the time was right. Even though they wanted to tell all the other disciples, they listened to Jesus and waited.

The disciples didn't know the whole story, or when the right time would be. So it was very hard to keep this experience to themselves. But we know the rest of the story. .. Jesus didn't just live as us, but He died and rose again so we could have life with God. We should be excited and eager to share this message with others. It's a wonderful and blessed gift. Jesus was the final fulfillment of all that had been hoped for, and is still our joy today! So we should go out and spread God's word and love to the whole world.

Prayer

*Dear God,
Thank you for showing us who you are. Help us to be amazed by your glory and to shine with your love. Thank for your love and the love of Jesus. Amen*



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Transfiguration Jesus Light Craft

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Materials:

printed template on cardstock
wax paper or Saran Wrap
colored pencils or crayons
Scotch tape
scissors
ribbon or string
Contact paper/self laminating sheets (optional)



Directions:

Color the background behind Jesus lightly, leave white or use colored cardstock

Draw the rays on the dotted lines with yellowish crayons or colored pencils.

Cut out the oval.

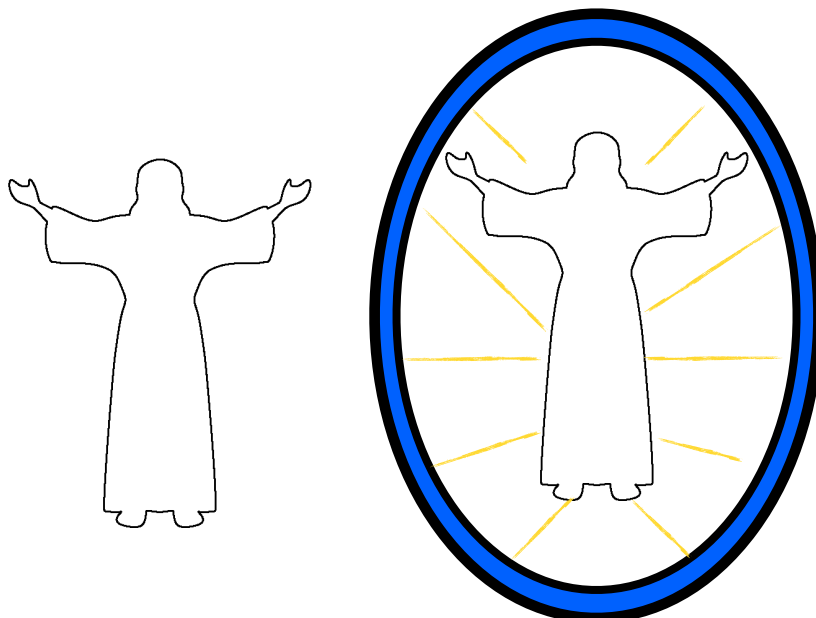
Cut the image of Jesus out of the oval carefully.

Cut your wax paper or Saran Wrap slightly smaller than the oval.

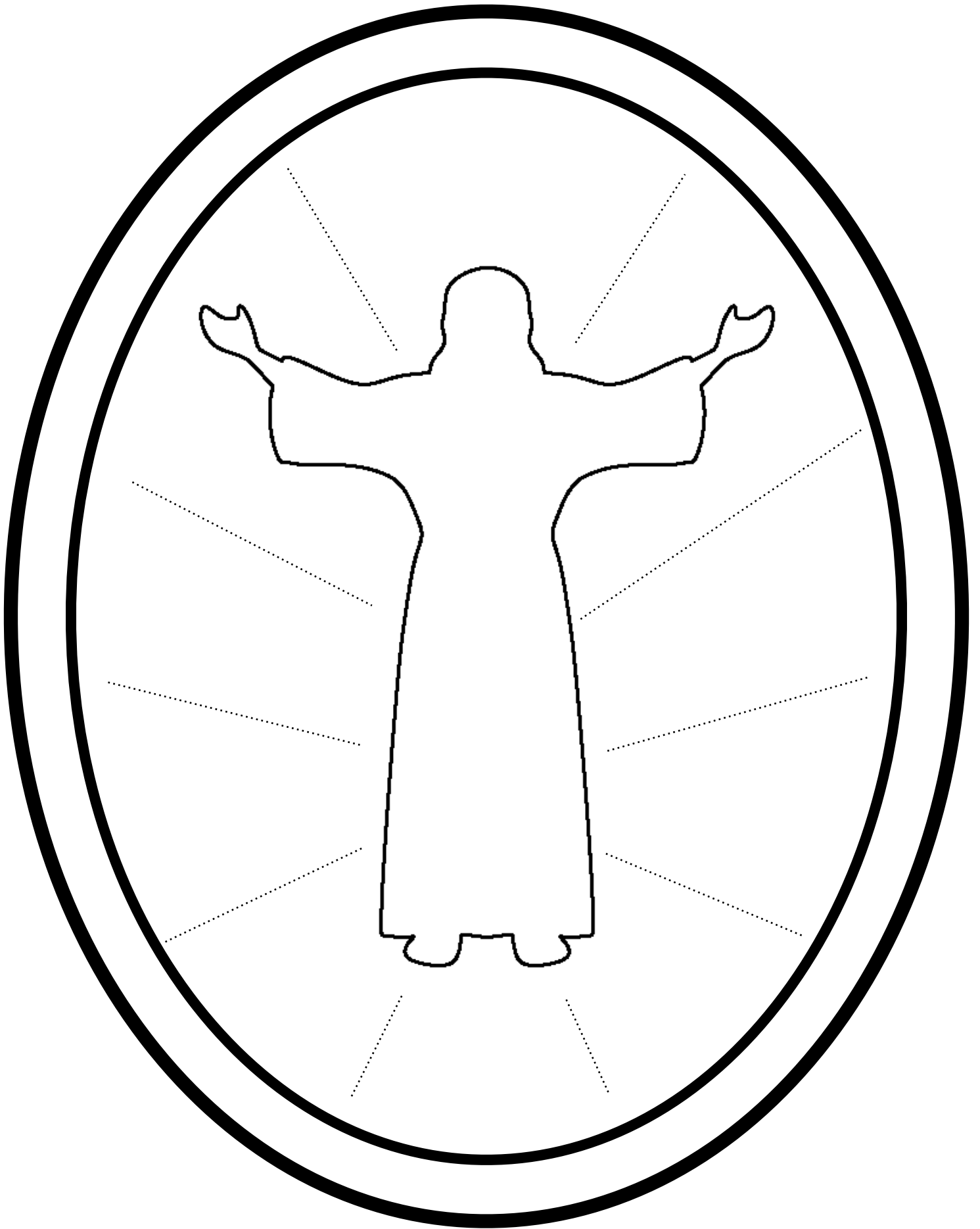
Tape paper or wrap to the back of the oval.

Seal your craft in contact/laminating paper. (optional)

Hang wherever the light shines through the figure of Jesus.



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