

The Commission

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What's in your packet?

Lesson pages for teacher use.....pages 2-7
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CLASS NAME:

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LESSON:

- Who can tell me Malachi 4:5-6? The class can recite Malachi 4:5-6.
- Who is Malachi prophesying about here? Who is the “Elijah the prophet” that will come before the great and dreadful day of the Lord? Brother Branham!
- That’s right, did you know that God will use the Spirit of Elijah five times? Who had a double portion of Elijah’s Spirit? Elisha.
- John the Baptist, was another prophet with the Spirit of Eliah.
- The “Elijah” of Malachi 4:5-6, (pointing to Scripture in classroom) Who is that again? Brother Branham.
- Turn with me to Luke 1:16-17. These are the words of the angel Gabriel who appeared to John’s daddy, Zacharias, in the temple.

READ SCRIPTURE

- Elias is another way to spell and say Elijah. John would have the spirit of Elijah! John’s Commission, that’s his job from the Lord, would be to make the people prepared, or ready, for the first coming of the Lord Jesus!
- John was definitely a young hero of the Bible. Who can tell me when he received the Holy Ghost? In his mother’s womb. John was born with the Holy Ghost. Now his mother and father were very old when he was born, and by age 9 John’s parents had gone on to be with the Lord. Then the Voice of God told John to go into the wilderness, and he obeyed that Voice. Brother Branham teaches us that John’s commission was so important that he went into the wilderness to be alone and taught by God, and no one else.
- When John was thirty years old, he came from the wilderness to carry out his commission. He was to make the people ready for the Lord and warn them that the Messiah was coming. John was a wilderness man. Who can tell me what he looked like? Yes, he wore camel hair with a belt of leather. What did he eat? Locust and wild honey. A locust is like a grasshopper.
- John was baptizing the people on the Jordan River when Jesus came to be baptized. Remember, John was the forerunner of Jesus. A forerunner is someone who comes first. Remember, John’s commission from God was to get the people ready for the first coming of the Lord.

ON FLANNEL: HAVE JOHN IN THE WATER WITH JESUS

PLAY QUOTE 1

- Review quote:
- Where was John baptizing? Jordan River.
- What did John say when he saw Jesus? “Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.”
- What does “Behold” mean? Look up to.
- Who told John in the wilderness to go baptize with water? God.

- John introduced Jesus! The Spirit of God then descended on Jesus in the shape of a dove. Brother Branham taught us that the dove was a Pillar of Fire or Light in the shape of a dove! The Voice of God was heard too, “Thou art my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.” We can read that in Mark 1:11.

ON FLANNEL: ADD FIERY DOVE

- John truly was a hero; even Jesus said he was more than a prophet! He had the spirit of who? Elijah! He was given a commission, a job to forerun Jesus, the Messiah, to get the people ready for the coming of the Lord. He believed God and warned the people!
- Brother Branham had the spirit of who? Elijah!
- Right, Brother Branham is the Elijah of Malachi 4:5-6. Point at the Scripture and read once more with class. Emphasis on “I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great dreadful day of the Lord...”).

ON FLANNEL: PLACE BROTHER BRANHAM, YOUNG MAN, CROWD

- Brother Branham was given a commission too. In June of 1933, on a very hot day when the skies were brassy looking, Brother Branham was baptizing people at the bottom of Spring Street. How many know where Schimpff’s is? Just a few blocks up the road from where Brother Branham was baptizing on Spring Street. There were thousands of people present, standing around the banks.

PLAY QUOTE 2

- What did he hear 3 times? Look up!

ON FLANNEL: ADD PILLAR OF LIGHT

- What did he see when he looked up? “...looked like water in the blue skies moving around. And out of that blue water like, came a Light coming down from heaven...” Yes, and the people screamed and fainted. Brother Branham tells in other tapes how that the Light was photographed and published in papers going into even Canada. It was this same Light. (Pointing to Pillar of Fire Picture)
- Then what did he hear? The Voice of God Saying “As John the Baptist was sent forth to warn the people of the first coming of Christ, your ministry will warn them of the second coming around the world.”
- The Voice of God gave Brother Branham his commission. Just like John the Baptist was to warn people and get them ready for the first coming of the Lord Jesus, Brother Branham’s ministry would warn the people of His second coming. What is his ministry? His ministry is The Tapes! The Tapes! The Tapes!
- Brother Branham is truly a hero; he heard the Voice of God and gave his whole life to his commission, so that we could all be ready for the coming of the Lord. We are heroes too, the Bride of Jesus. We believe our prophet and are getting ready to see the Lord Jesus come. How can we be ready? By the WORD; reading our Bible and hearing the Tapes!



Scriptures

Luke 1:16-17

16 And many of the children of Israel shall he turn to the Lord their God.
17 And he shall go before him in the spirit and power of Elias, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just; to make ready a people prepared for the Lord.

Quote 1:

BUT JOHN, WHEN HE WAS STANDING PREACHING, BEING THE FORERUNNER... AS A LITTLE HISTORY OF IT, MAYBE TRUE, MAYBE NOT, I CAN'T SAY. BUT SAID HE WAS PREACHING ON THAT DAY ABOUT ELEVEN O'CLOCK AND DEBATING WITH THE PRIEST ACROSS THE RIVER. ANYHOW, WE KNOW HE WAS AT THE RIVER BAPTIZING. AND HE TURNED AND LOOKED, AND HERE COME JESUS WALKING DOWN THE HILL, COMING TO THE BANK OF THE JORDAN. AND WHEN JOHN LOOKED, QUICKLY HE KNEW HIM. HE SAID, "BEHOLD THE LAMB OF GOD, THAT TAKE AWAY THE SINS OF THE WORLD." DO YOU GET IT? "BEHOLD" MEANS "TO LOOK UP TO." "BEHOLD THE LAMB OF GOD THAT TAKES AWAY THE SIN OF THE WORLD."

OVER IN THE BOOK OF JOHN HE SAID, "I KNEW HIM NOT (HE WAS LIKE ANY OTHER MAN.), BUT HE THAT TOLD ME IN THE WILDERNESS TO GO BAPTIZE WITH WATER, SAID UPON WHOM THOU SHALL SEE THE SPIRIT DESCENDING AND REMAINING ON, THE SAME SHALL BAPTIZE WITH THE HOLY GHOST AND FIRE."
AMEN.

55-0501E - "THE FAITH THAT WAS ONCE DELIVERED TO THE SAINTS"
REV. WILLIAM MARRION BRANHAM

Quote 2:

ABOUT THE SEVENTEENTH OR EIGHTEENTH PERSON... THE DEACONS AND TRUSTEES THAT LEADING OUT INTO THE WATER, WAS A YOUNG FELLOW BY THE NAME OF COLVIN. ALL THE SKIES WERE BRASSY. THE CORN WAS ALL WITHERED UP; WE HADN'T HAD RAIN FOR THREE WEEKS OR MORE. OH, IT WAS SUFFERING, THE CROPS WAS. AND THE SKY WAS LIKE BRASS.

AND I TOOK THIS YOUNG FELLOW, AND I SAID TO HIM, "DO YOU BELIEVE ON THE LORD JESUS, AND HAVE YOU ACCEPTED HIM AS YOUR PERSONAL SAVIOUR?"

HE SAID, "I HAVE, BROTHER BRANHAM."

I SAID, "I SEEN YOU AT THE ALTAR THE OTHER NIGHT. NOW, ARE YOU SURE OF THIS, YOUNG MAN?"

HE SAID, "I AM SURE."

SO THEN, I TOOK HIM BY THE HAND, AND TURNED HIS FACE TO THE BANK, AND ANNOUNCED HIS NAME, AND ASKED GOD THAT HE WOULD BLESS HIS LIFE. AND I WAS JUST READY TO BAPTIZE HIM, WHEN I HEARD SOMETHING SAY, "LOOK UP!" WELL, I GOT SCARED. I THOUGHT SOMEBODY ON THE BANK WAS SAYING... I WAS JUST A BOY PREACHER. I'D NEVER BEEN MARRIED YET; MY TO-BE WIFE WAS TAKING PICTURES ON THE BANK, WHICH IS MY SON BILLY'S MOTHER.

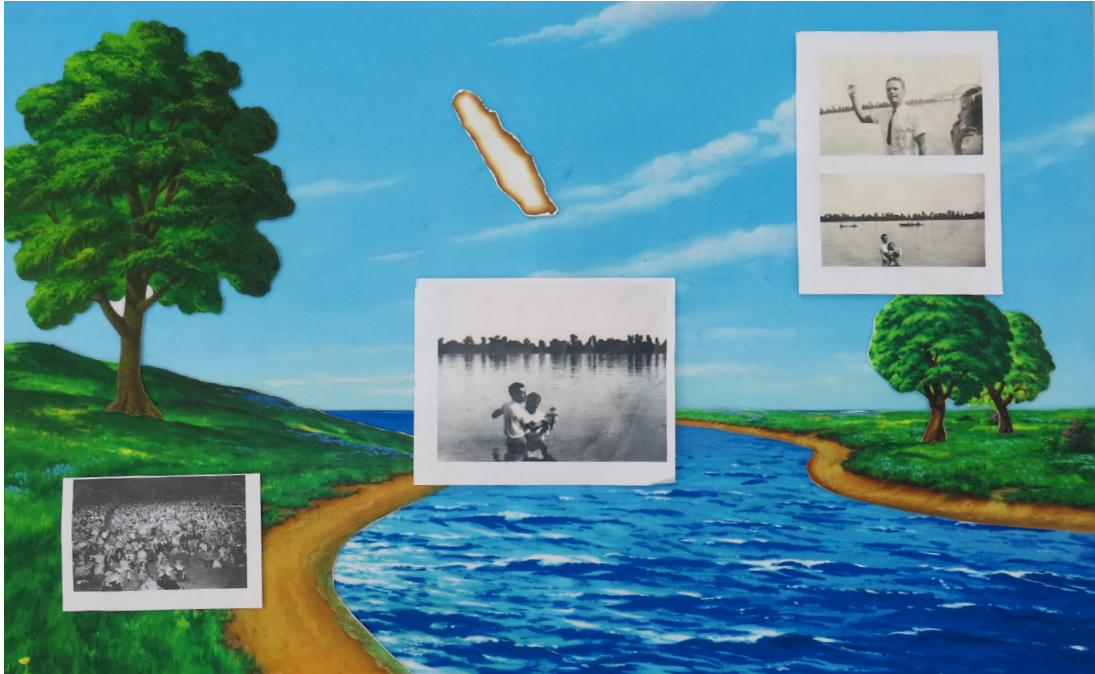
AND I HEARD IT AGAIN. AND UP TO THE THIRD TIME, SAID, "LOOK UP!" AND WHEN I LOOKED UP TOWARDS THE HEAVEN, A PLACE ABOUT TEN FEET SQUARE, LOOKED LIKE WATER IN THE BLUE SKIES MOVING AROUND. AND OUT OF THAT BLUE WATER LIKE, CAME A LIGHT COMING DOWN FROM HEAVEN. THE PEOPLE BEGIN TO SCREAM, AND MANY FAINTED.

AND THE VOICE SAID, "AS JOHN THE BAPTIST WAS SENT FORTH TO WARN THE PEOPLE OF THE FIRST COMING OF CHRIST, YOUR MINISTRY WILL WARN THEM OF THE SECOND COMING AROUND THE WORLD."

60-0722 - "WATCHMAN, WHAT OF THE NIGHT?"
REV. WILLIAM MARRION BRANHAM

Flannel Graph





Print-offs

Cut out each piece.



Jeffersonville
June, 1933



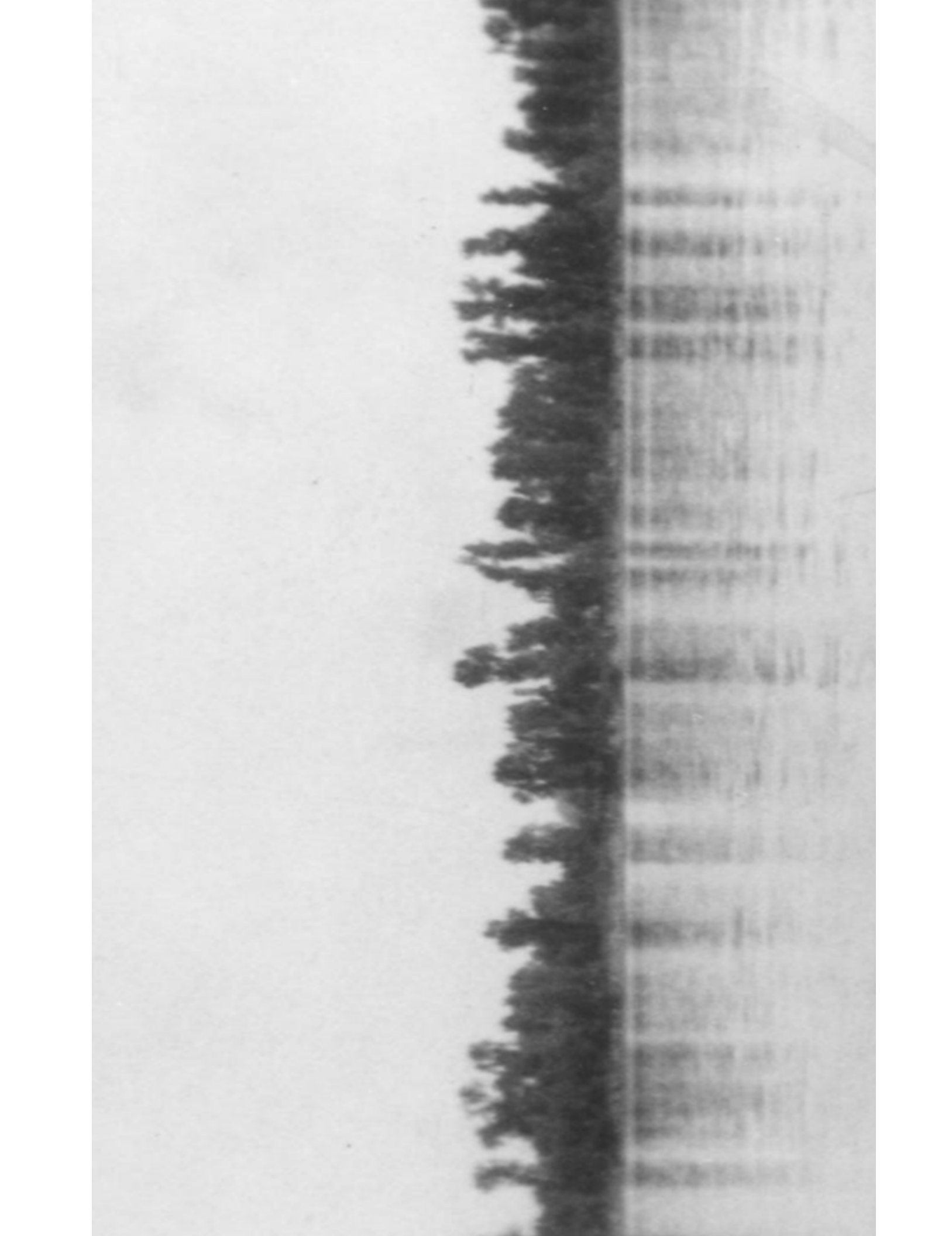
Cut out each piece.

"**That Light**, Angel, come right down to where we
as at, and said, "**As John the Baptist** was sent for
a forerunner of the first coming of Jesus Christ,
your Message will bring the Second Coming of
Jesus Christ."

Brother Branham
54-0515

Brother Branham
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seventeenth person."
bank-- At right at two o'clock in the
of Spring Street in Jeffersonville,
where thousands were blacked on the
down at the Ohio River at the foot
"When I was baptizing hundreds

"Jesus said, "There never was a
man born of woman, as great as **John the
Baptist**." He's the **chief** of all the prophets. He led
Jesus out in the water and baptized by him,
in Jordan. Brother, if I was baptized by him,
I'd feel pretty good about it. Is that right?"
Brother Branham
54-0515



The Commission TUTORIAL

MATERIALS NEEDED:



1. 9x12 watercolor paper

2. 9x12 card stock

3. print-offs from pages 8,9,and 10.
(print page 10 "river background"
on legal paper)

4. glue

5. exacto knife

6. scissors

7. pencil

8. ruler

9. two 4" x 1 1/2" pieces of
cardstock

10. 2 brad fasteners

11. watercolor paints

12. paintbrush

13. crayons



STEPS:

1. Cut the watercolor paper 3.75 inches tall and 12 inches wide. Give the top a curvy edge to resemble waves.
2. Paint the watercolor paper with blues and greens to look like water and set it aside to dry.

Tip: It helps if you wet the paper before you paint.

3. Cut out the river background, the picture wheel, and the quote wheel from tutorial pages 8-10.
4. Color the scenes on the picture wheel.
5. Glue the river background to your 9"x12" cardstock. This is your base paper.
6. Use an exacto knife to cut two slits on your base paper.
 - The first slit will be 3 inches from the bottom and will go across the page leaving only 3/4" between the slit and the base papers edge, uncut.
 - The second slit will be 1 3/4" inches from the top of the paper going across the page leaving only 1 1/2", between the slit and the base papers edge.
7. Cut a small slit in the center of both of your 4"x1 1/2" cardstock pieces.
8. Cut a small slit in the center of both wheels.
10. Put a brad through each wheel and then through the slit on your 4"x1 1/2" cardstock rectangle, so that the head of the brad is on the back of the wheel.
10. Glue the picture wheel under the bottom slit with the people in the center directly under the slit. Glue the quote wheel about 1/2 inch below the top slit.
11. Take the watercolor painting and glue onto the base paper. The watercolor page should slightly overhang the bottom edge of your base paper.

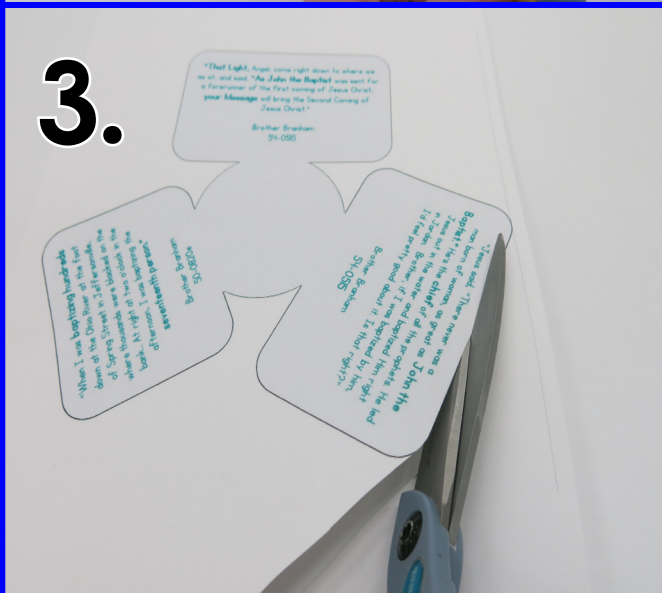
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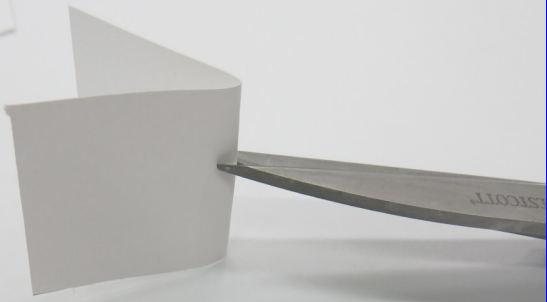
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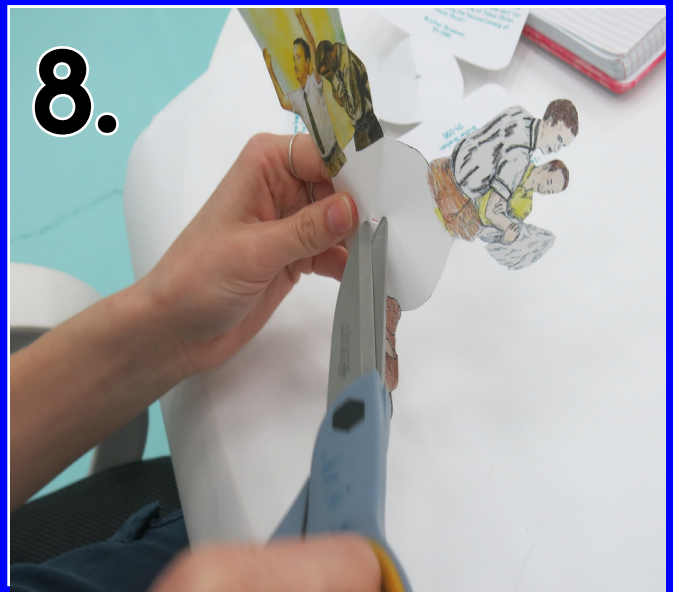
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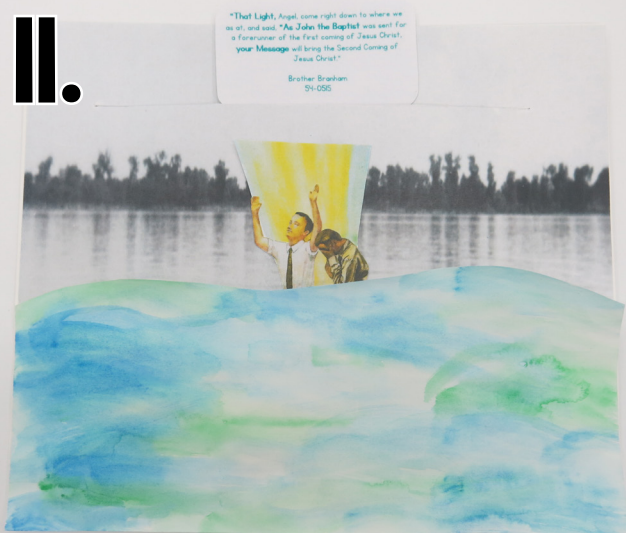
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**You're
finished!**