

APRIL 25: GOOD SHEPHERD FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

INCLUDED:

Pipe cleaners
Lamb bouncy balls
Cardstock template
Green foam board
Glue dots



USE YOUR OWN:

Scissors
Markers or crayons



JOHN 10:11-18



Jesus said: "I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. A hired man, who is not a shepherd and whose sheep are not his own, sees a wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away, and the wolf catches and scatters them. This is because he works for pay and has no concern for the sheep. I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I will lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. These also I must lead, and they will hear my voice, and there will be one flock, one shepherd. This is why the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down on my own. I have power to lay it down, and power to take it up again. This command I have received from my Father."

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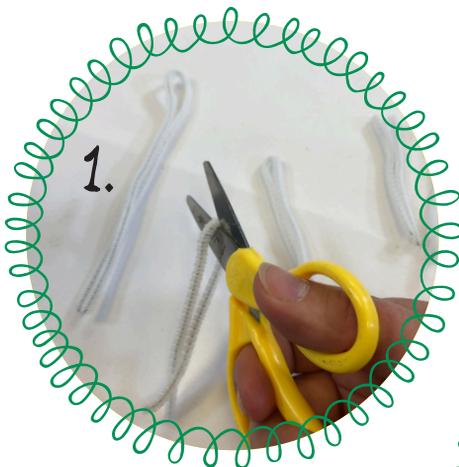
1. What is different between a good shepherd and a hired man to watch sheep?

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1. The hired man will likely think about himself first and run from the wolf! The good shepherd will protect his sheep, even if it means that he might get hurt.

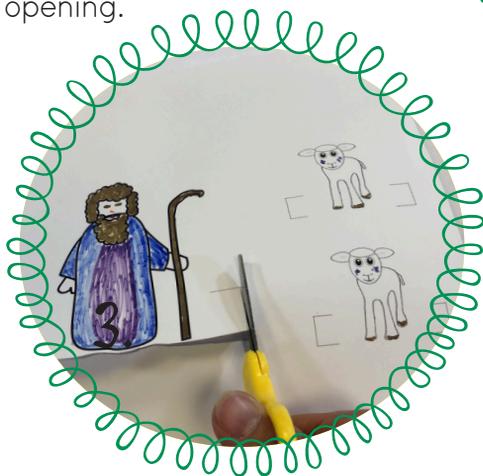
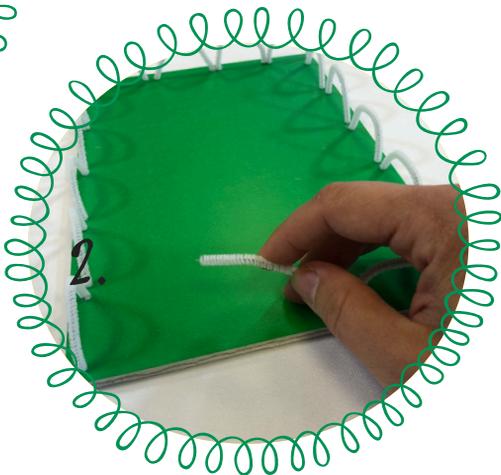
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THE MASS BOX



1. Cut your pipe cleaners in half, then in half again to make quarters. These will be the fence for your pasture. What is the purpose of a fence around a sheep pasture? Are sheep safer with or without a fence?

2. Poke the pipe cleaners into the green pasture in small half circles to create a pasture fence. You can make a fence all the way around or leave an opening.



3. Color the shepherd and sheep. Remember, Jesus is our good shepherd and we are the sheep. Cut out the shepherd and sheep, making sure to not cut off the tabs at the bottoms of the figures.

4. Use a glue dot to connect the tabs behind the shepherd and the sheep. Put the bouncy ball sheep and the sheep you made with the shepherd in pasture! You might prefer the sheep or the bouncy ball sheep. You can pretend with the sheep and shepherd and talk about the gospel!

