

MAKE 9 BANDS IN RAINBOW



WRITE THE GOOD NEWS ON EACH BAND

Rainbow Scripture Slips

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1. Mark 4:35-39
2. Mark 6:34-44 1
3. Mark 6:54-56
4. Mark 10:13-16
5. Mark 16:1-7
6. John 3:16-17
7. John 14:15-17
8. Acts 2:1-4
9. John 15:9-17

Quotes for Bible Study

But ask the animals, and they will teach you; the birds of the air, and they will tell you; ask the plants of the earth, and they will teach you; and the fish of the sea will declare to you.

Who among all these does not know that the hand of the Lord has done this?

In his hand is the life of every living thing and the breath of every human being.

Psalm 104:10-13, NRSV

[God], you make springs gush forth in the valleys;
they flow between the hills,
giving drink to every wild animal;
the wild asses quench their thirst.

By the streams the birds of the air have their habitation;
they sing among the branches.

From your lofty abode you water the mountains;
the earth is satisfied with the fruit of your work.

Psalm 8:3-8, NRSV

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established; what are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them?

Yet you have made them a little lower than God, and crowned them with glory and honor.

You have given them dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet, all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the sea.

Psalm 96:1-3, 11-13, NRSV

O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.
Sing to the Lord, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.
Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the people.

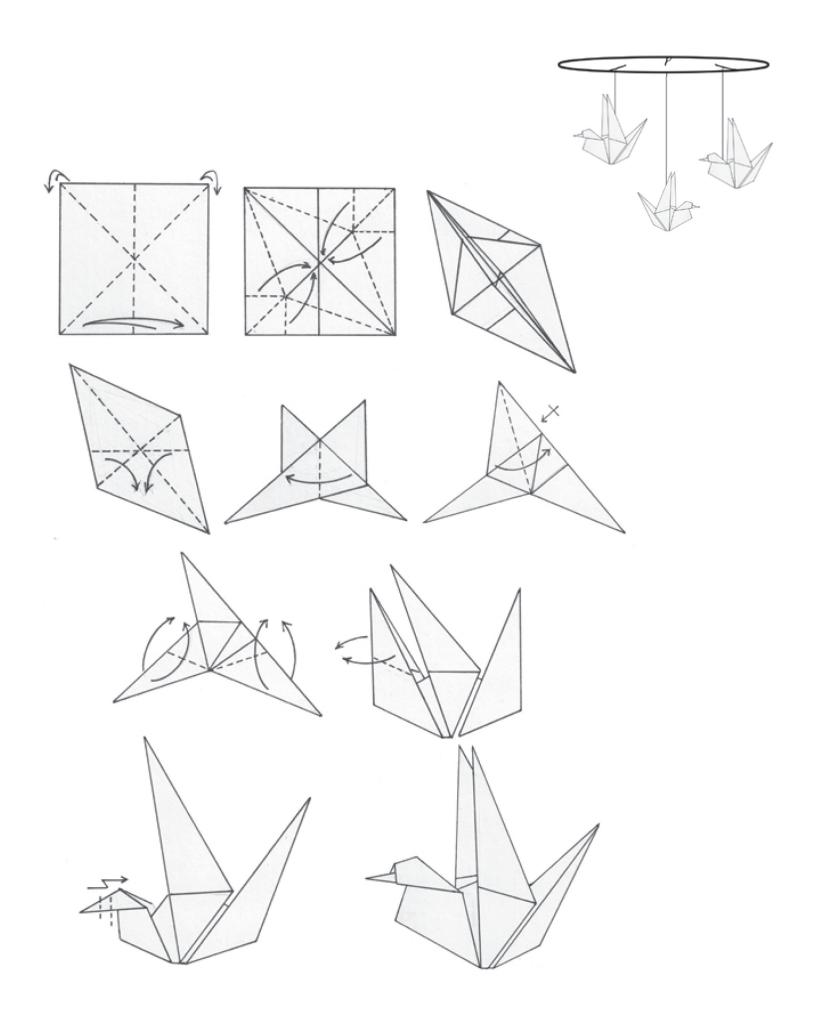
Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice;
let the sea roar, and all that fills it;
let the field exult, and everything in it.

Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy
before the Lord; for he is coming,
for he is coming to judge the earth.

He will judge the world with righteousness,
and the peoples with his truth..

Revelation 5:13, NRSV

Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing, "To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb, be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!"



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Story: The Legend of the Jack-O-Lantern

This is an Irish story about a man nicknamed "Stingy Jack." According to the story, Stingy Jack invited the Devil to have a drink with him. True to his name, Stingy Jack didn't want to pay for his drink, so he convinced the Devil to turn himself into a coin that Jack could use to buy their drinks. The Devil did this, but Jack decided to keep the money and he put it into his pocket next to a silver cross, which prevented the Devil from changing back into his original form.

Jack eventually freed the Devil, under the condition that he would not bother Jack for one year and that, should Jack die, he would not claim his soul.

The next year, Jack tricked the Devil again by getting him to climb into a tree to pick a piece of fruit. While the devil was up in the tree, Jack carved a sign of the cross into the tree's bark so that the Devil couldn't come down until the Devil promised Jack not to bother him for 10 more years.

Soon after this, however, Jack died.

As the legend goes, God would not allow such an unsavory figure into heaven. The Devil, upset by the tricks Jack had played on him and keeping his word not to claim his soul, would not allow Jack into hell. The Devil sent Jack off into the dark night with only a burning coal to light his way. Jack put the coal into a carved-out turnip and has been roaming the Earth with it ever since.

The Irish began to refer to this ghostly figure as "Jack of the Lantern," and then, simply "Jack-O-Lantern."

The Witch of Endor

Narrator: Samuel had died, and all of Israel had mourned for him and buried him in Ramah, his hometown. Saul, in the meantime had banned all mediums (witches) and psychics from the land. Israel's enemy, the Philistines had assembled and set up camp in Shuem; and Saul assembled the army of Israel and set up camp in Gilboa. When Saul saw how large the Philistine army actually was, he became very afraid. When he asked the Lord for guidance, the Lord didn't answer him, either by dreams, or Urim (a method used by the High Priest to receive guidance from God), nor by Prophets. You gotta figure that Saul was particularly freaked out because he knew that David was staying in Philistine territory, and that the Lord was with David. He had even stopped pursuing David, so Saul couldn't figure out what in the world was going on. The Philistines must have taken on an added element of fear for Saul.

Soooooo . . . Saul sent his servants to find a witch that he could go and see to get guidance from. Saul obviously knew seeking out a witch was wrong, which is why he banned them from practicing in Israel. But being very impatient and frustrated, he allowed the spirit of fear to overtake him. Saul's servants came back to him. Let's see how the story goes from here . . .

Servants: Your majesty, we couldn't find a witch at Endor.

Narrator: So Saul disguised himself and took two servants with him to go back to Endor and visit the witch.

Saul: I need to talk to a spirit.

The Woman: You know that Saul has banned all mediums and psychics from the land. Why are you trying to trap me and get me killed?

Saul: As surely as the Lord lives, there will be no punishment for you if you do this thing for me.

The Woman: Whose spirit do you want me to call?

Saul: Call up Samuel.

Narrator: Samuel suddenly appeared to them.

The Woman (screaming as Samuel appears): Why have you deceived me? You are Saul!

Saul: Don't be afraid. What did you see?

The Woman: I see a ghost coming out of the earth.

Saul: What does he look like?

The Woman: An old man wrapped in a robe.

Narrator: Saul bowed to the ground.

Samuel: Why have you disturbed me by calling me back?

Saul: I'm so troubled. The Philistines are declaring war against me, and God has left me and won't answer me, not by Prophets, nor by dreams, so I called for you so you can tell me what I should do.

Samuel: Why ask me since the Lord has left you? The Lord has done what He said he would do through me. The Lord has taken the kingdom from you and given it to David because you didn't obey Him or carry out His command. The Lord will hand over Israel and you into the hands of the Philistines and tomorrow you and your sons shall be with me. The Lord will also deliver the army of Israel into the hands of the Philistines.

Narrator: Saul fell to the ground in fear. And he was weak because he had not eaten in a long time since he was so afraid.

The Woman: Sir, I have obeyed you at the risk of my life. Now please listen to your servant and let me give you some bread to eat so you can have strength when you return on your way.

Saul: No, I will not eat.

Servants: Yes, you must!

Narrator: The woman prepared a fatted calf, and baked some unleavened bread and brought it to Saul and his servants. They are and when they finished they left.

