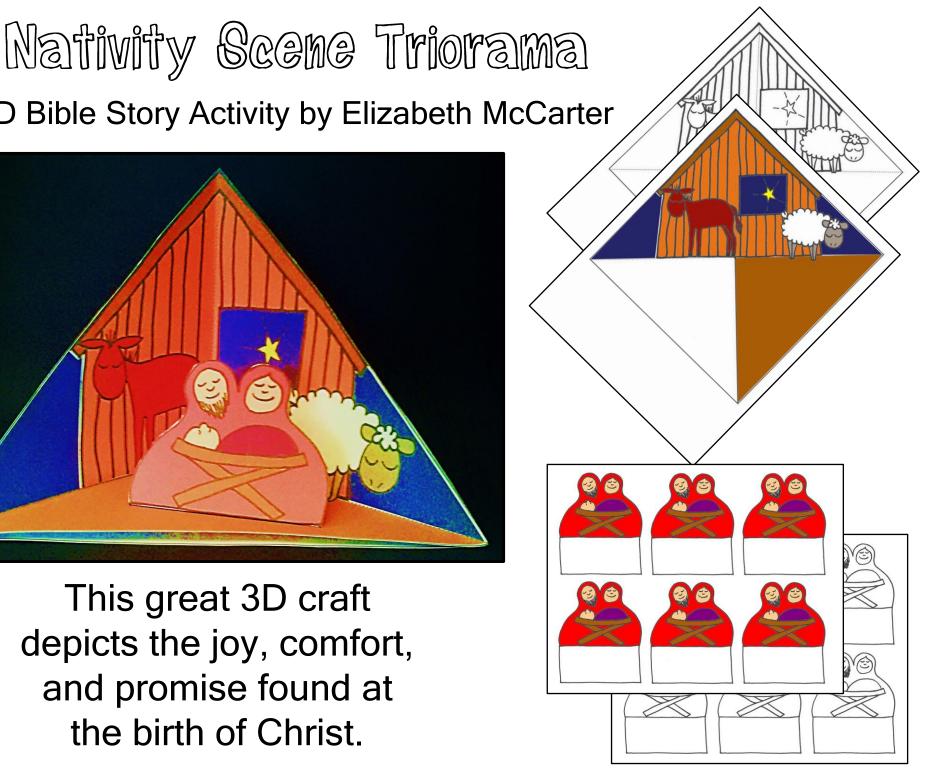


This great 3D craft depicts the joy, comfort, and promise found at the birth of Christ.

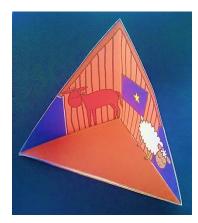


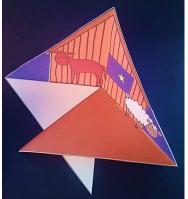
This activity comes with a template for the stable scene and a template for the stand-up figures of Mary, Joseph, and baby Jesus. I have included 2 of each template; one that is pre-colored and one that is plain.

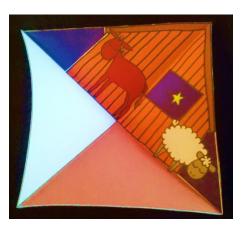
INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Print and cut out the stable template and decorate.
- 2. Fold on the dotted lines, folding it in half one way, then opening it up and folding it in half the other way.

- 3. Cut along the solid line that runs down from the barn to the bottom corner of the paper. Fold the colored flap over the plain flap.
- 4. Tape or glue the bottom flap of the stable..







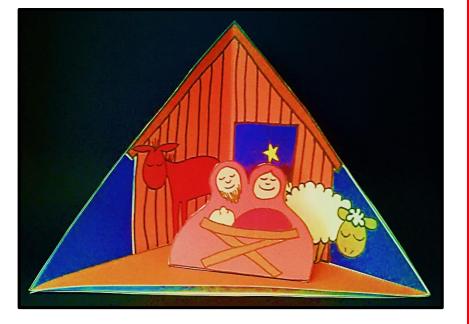
5. Print and cut out the stand-up figure template and decorate.

6. Fold under the tab so that they stand up.



7. Tape or glue the stand-up figures in front of the stable.

You end up with a great 3D craft that depicts the joy, comfort, and promise found at Christ's birth.



The Christmas Story

Now God sent an angel to a young lady named Mary. The angel told her she would have a baby and that the baby would be God's Son. The angel said God's Son would save all who trusted Him from their sins. Mary was very happy.

Just before the Baby was to be born, Mary and Joseph, who was to be Mary's husband, had to go to Bethlehem. But Bethlehem was so crowded that the only place they could find to sleep was in a stable for animals.

That night, baby Jesus, God's Son, was born.

An angel appeared to shepherds in nearby fields. The angel told them that the Son of God had been born that night. He told them they would find the baby in a manger in Bethlehem. Suddenly there were angels everywhere, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in heaven, and peace to all people who love Him!"

The shepherds immediately went to Bethlehem to see the Baby.

And then they told everyone about the things they had heard and seen!

(adapted from Luke 1:26-32, and Luke 2:1-17)

