



FAMILY TIME AT HOME

Blessing:

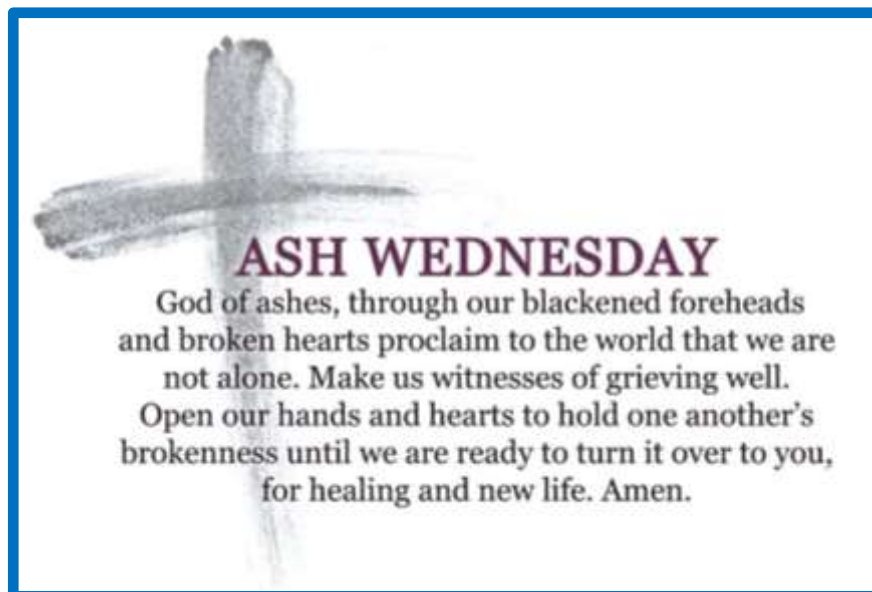


Table Talk:

- What are you grateful for as we enter this season of Lent?
- Does the crazy weather distract you from focusing on the sacrifice that Jesus made for you?

RECREATION/CRAFTS

Supplies:

- Black construction paper
- Purple construction paper
- Scrap piece of paper, about 6" x 8" for tearing out a cross
- White chalk
- White charcoal pencil or white paint pen
- Kleenex
- Hair spray or sealer

Directions:

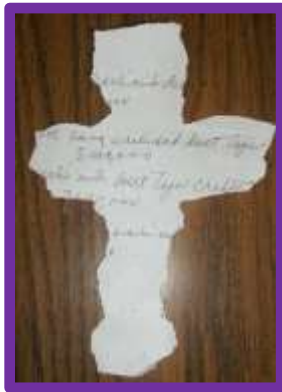


Photo 1: Hand draw a cross on the scrap piece of paper, using the full sheet of paper. Then tear the cross out, so that the edges are rough.



Photo 2: Place the cross in the center of the black construction paper. Write the words, "Remember man you art dust and to dust thou shalt return, above and below the cross using the white charcoal pencil.



Photo 3: Place a couple of small pieces of looped tape to the back of the cross (to help hold it in place) and place back in the center of the black paper.

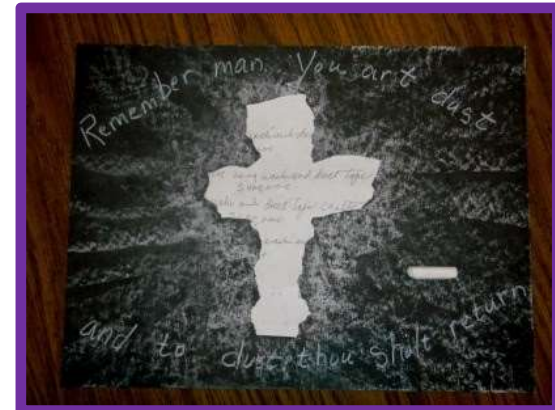


Photo 4: Using a piece of white chalk, I find it best to lay the chalk on its side. Chalk the paper, starting at the cross and stroking towards the edges of the paper.



Photo 5: With the Kleenex, softly wipe the chalk to blend it, starting at the cross and stroking towards the edges of the paper.



Photo 6: Spray the picture, lightly, with hair spray. Let it dry and then retrace the words with a white charcoal pencil.

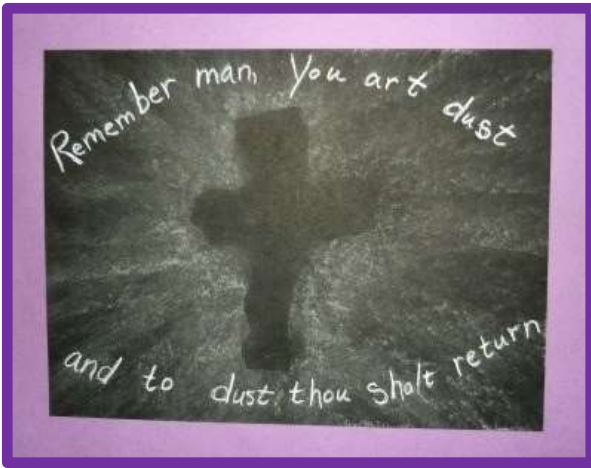


Photo 7: Glue the picture to a purple background sheet of construction paper.

BIBLE STUDY

Read Scripture together

Genesis 2:7

7 Then the LORD God formed a man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being.

Ecclesiastes 3:1-20

A Time for Everything

1 There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens:

2 a time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to uproot,

3 a time to kill and a time to heal, a time to tear down and a time to build,

4 a time to weep and a time to laugh, a time to mourn and a time to dance,

5 a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them, a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing,

6 a time to search and a time to give up, a time to keep and a time to throw away,

7 a time to tear and a time to mend, a time to be silent and a time to speak,

8 a time to love and a time to hate, a time for war and a time for peace.

9 What do workers gain from their toil?

10 I have seen the burden God has laid on the human race.

11 He has made everything beautiful in its time. He has also set eternity in the human heart; yet no one can fathom what God has done from beginning to end.

12 I know that there is nothing better for people than to be happy and to do good while they live.

13 That each of them may eat and drink, and find satisfaction in all their toil—this is the gift of God.

14 I know that everything God does will endure forever; nothing can be added to it and nothing taken from it. God does it so that people will fear him.

15 Whatever is has already been, and what will be has been before; and God will call the past to account.

16 And I saw something else under the sun: In the place of judgment—wickedness was there, in the place of justice—wickedness was there.

17 I said to myself, "God will bring into judgment both the righteous and the wicked, for there will be a time for every activity, a time to judge every deed."

18 I also said to myself, "As for humans, God tests them so that they may see that they are like the animals.

19 Surely the fate of human beings is like that of the animals; the same fate awaits them both: As one dies, so dies the other. All have the same breath; humans have no advantage over animals. Everything is meaningless.

20 All go to the same place; all come from dust, and to dust all return.

Talk about Scripture together

The ashes are a symbol of our sinfulness. We are reminded that our bodies are but ash, and to ash it shall return. Our soul is who we are, the part of us that will live after our death. By dying on the cross, Jesus made reparation for our sins, so that our souls can get to Heaven. Lent makes us aware that we can always begin again. Lent is a season for us to think about how we should be living our

lives. A time for us to ponder the sacrifice Jesus made for us by dying on the cross, so that when we die, we can be with Him in Heaven.

- Does this scripture give you peace and hope or make you uneasy?
- What are these two scriptures saying to you?

WORSHIP ARTS

