

Christmas Crafts

Hope in a Manger



Supply List

- 1 white sheet of copy or construction paper
- Brown paint
- Yellow paint
- Skin-colored paint
- Blue paint
- Paper plates (for the paint palette!)
- Paper towels (for clean up!)

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1. Have the child dip their pointer finger in brown paint and make a stable. (To make this easier for younger kids, you could also draw lines first and have them make fingerprints on it.)
2. Wash their finger off and have them dip it in yellow paint. Make "straw" on the floor and inside the manger. Then draw a yellow star on top of the stable!
3. Wash their finger off and have them dip their finger in skin-colored paint and make a face for baby Jesus.
4. Then, wash their finger off and use the blue paint to make three fingerprints for the baby's body/blanket.
5. Add any more details you would like for the nativity scene!

This picture reminds us that the hope of Christmas points us to a baby—baby Jesus! Throughout all of history, God has always kept His promises to us. When Jesus came to earth as a baby, God was fulfilling His promise to rescue His people from their sin. He did this through His Son Jesus! Just as the people in Scripture eagerly awaited their Messiah, we wait for the return of Jesus, when He will come and make all things new!