



## Sunday Kids!

**SUNDAY 26th July 2020**

**STORIES OF HOPE.**

**GIDEON DEFEATS THE MIDIANITES. JUDGES 7:1-24**

**CREATE:** Gideon gave his soldiers clay pots with flaming torches inside so they could creep up on the Midianites and surprise them. Make your own “clay pot and flaming torch” by following the instructions on page 2.

**PUZZLE:** This week's story of hope is about Gideon. Gideon thought he was in a hopeless situation. He didn't think he stood a chance in his battle against the Midianites. But with God, Gideon had hope and that hope was not wasted!! Gideon's army won the battle, they had God's strength and power on their side. The good news is, we do too!!! Complete the word search on page 4. When you've done this, open your Bible to Judges 7: 1-24 and find the wordsearch words in the bible passage.

**COLOUR:** Print out the colouring -in page and use your favourite colours to complete the picture of Gideon and his army. Can you spot the flaming torches and broken clay pots?



## Gideon “Clay Pot and Burning Torch” Craft

### You will need...

An empty jar (clean!), coloured card (red, orange and brown), coloured pens/pencils. Sticky tape, glue, scissors and a tealight (optional)

### “Burning Torch” Instructions...

1. Print out the template of the flames on page 3. Draw around the larger one onto red card and carefully cut it out.
2. Draw around the smaller template onto orange card and carefully cut it out.
3. Decorate your flames using coloured pens/pencils. (If you don't have coloured card, just print out the template onto white card/paper and colour them in.)

Wrap the larger red flames around the bottom of the jar and stick with sticky tape. Then add the orange flames over the top and stick with tape in the same way (see picture above).

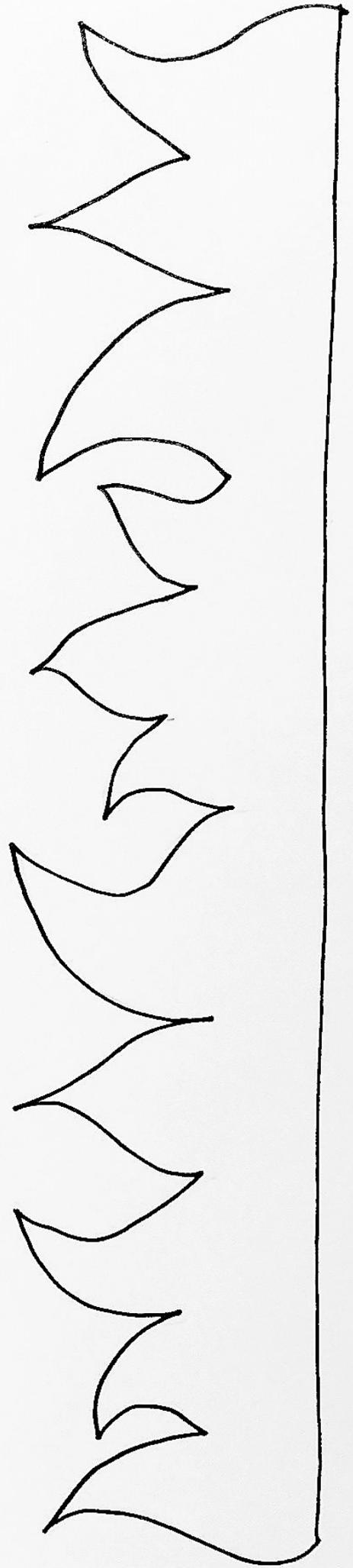
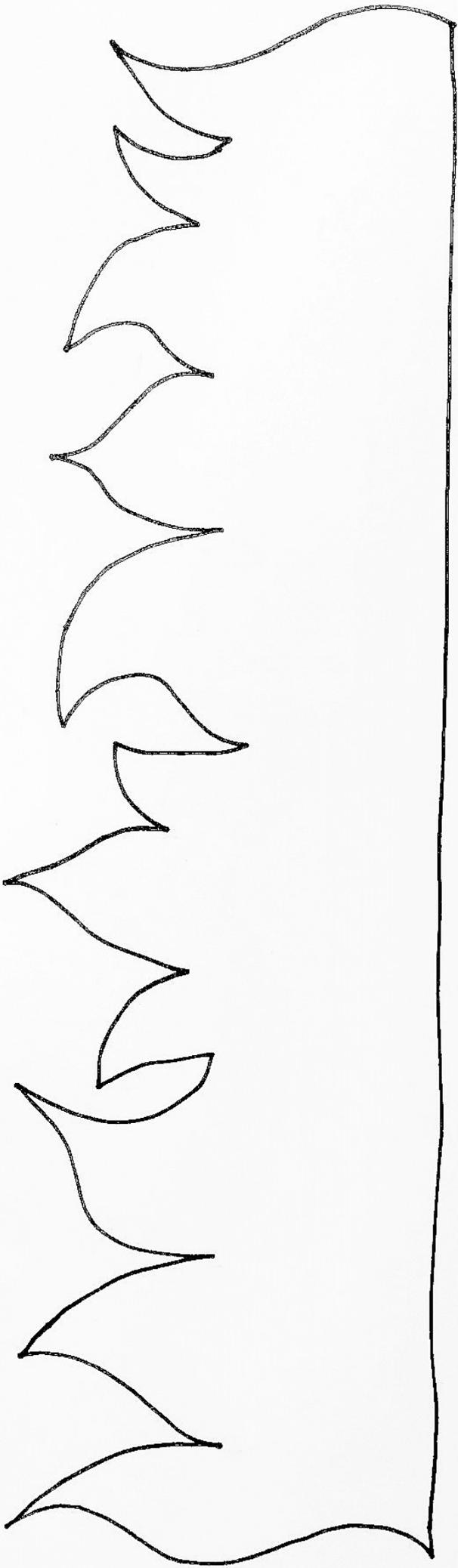
### Next, make the “Clay pot”...

1. Use the brown piece of card and wrap it around the jar to make a simple cylinder. This will be your “clay jar”. You may need to trim down the card so it's just a little taller than the jar.
2. Now you need to turn it into an ancient clay pot! Use my example to help you. Add simple decoration inspired by old pots, I also added cracks, so it looked like the soldiers were about to break them!
3. Then wrap the card around the jar again and this time hold in place with sticky tape. Make sure it fits around the jar loosely so you can easily take it off and put it back on again.
4. To make a handle, simply cut a long strip of the brown card, about 2cm x 20cm. Roll the ends around a pencil to make it curl and then glue in place on your pot (see picture above).

### When it's dark.....

**With help and supervision from a grown-up** put a tealight into the bottom of the jar and carefully light it. Cover the jar with your “clay pot” so you can't see the light and then lift it off again. See how the flames light up like Gideon's flaming torches.

Read the Bible story again (Judges 7:1-24) with your grown-up and when it gets to Judges 7:18-20– lift the pot off the jar (**under careful supervision**) and shout “A sword for the Lord and for Gideon!!!”





## Gideon defeats the Midianites

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MIDIANITES  
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GIDEON  
BROKEN  
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God helped Gideon be courageous.