

# God's New Year 'Wand of Possibilities'

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As people all over the world ring in the New Year, they reflect upon the passing of time, yet celebrate the prospect of upcoming change and possibility. A great way to involve youngsters in the season's merrymaking is by helping them create something significant and fun, like this "Wand of Possibilities." The wand encourages children to reflect on God and Bible scripture while setting some of their own goals and hopes for the future.

## WHAT YOU'LL NEED

- Different colors of construction paper or old Christmas wrapping paper
- Star Templates (*optional, to follow*)
- A marker
- Scissors
- New, unsharpened Pencils (or a dowel or stick)
- Glue/stapler/tape
- Some curled ribbon or pipe cleaners



## WHAT TO DO

1. Using the construction paper and scissors, cut out 4 stars: 2 large and 2 small, (*see pic. 1 below*). Each child will need 2 large stars and 2 small stars - see pic. 1 below. (*Optional Template to follow*)
2. Have child glue their smaller stars to the center of each of the larger stars so that a sort of border is created, (*see pic. 2 below*).
3. Around one border, have students copy the scripture: Matthew 19:26 "... With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible."  
In the center of the small star, have students write: GOD (*see pic 3*)
4. Around the other border, child may write their wish for the upcoming New Year.  
In the center of this small star, student may decorate as they wish (*see pic. 4*).
5. After all stars are completed, attach the wand handle (pencil). Place the pencil between the 2 larger stars, making sure that the decorations and writing are facing outward. Staple/tape/glue the pencil in between. To avoid the handle from slipping out, staple the bottom as close to the pencil as possible.
6. Lastly, add some colorful ribbon or a pipe cleaner for a whimsical touch, (*see pic. 5*).



Pic. 1



Pic. 2



Pic. 3

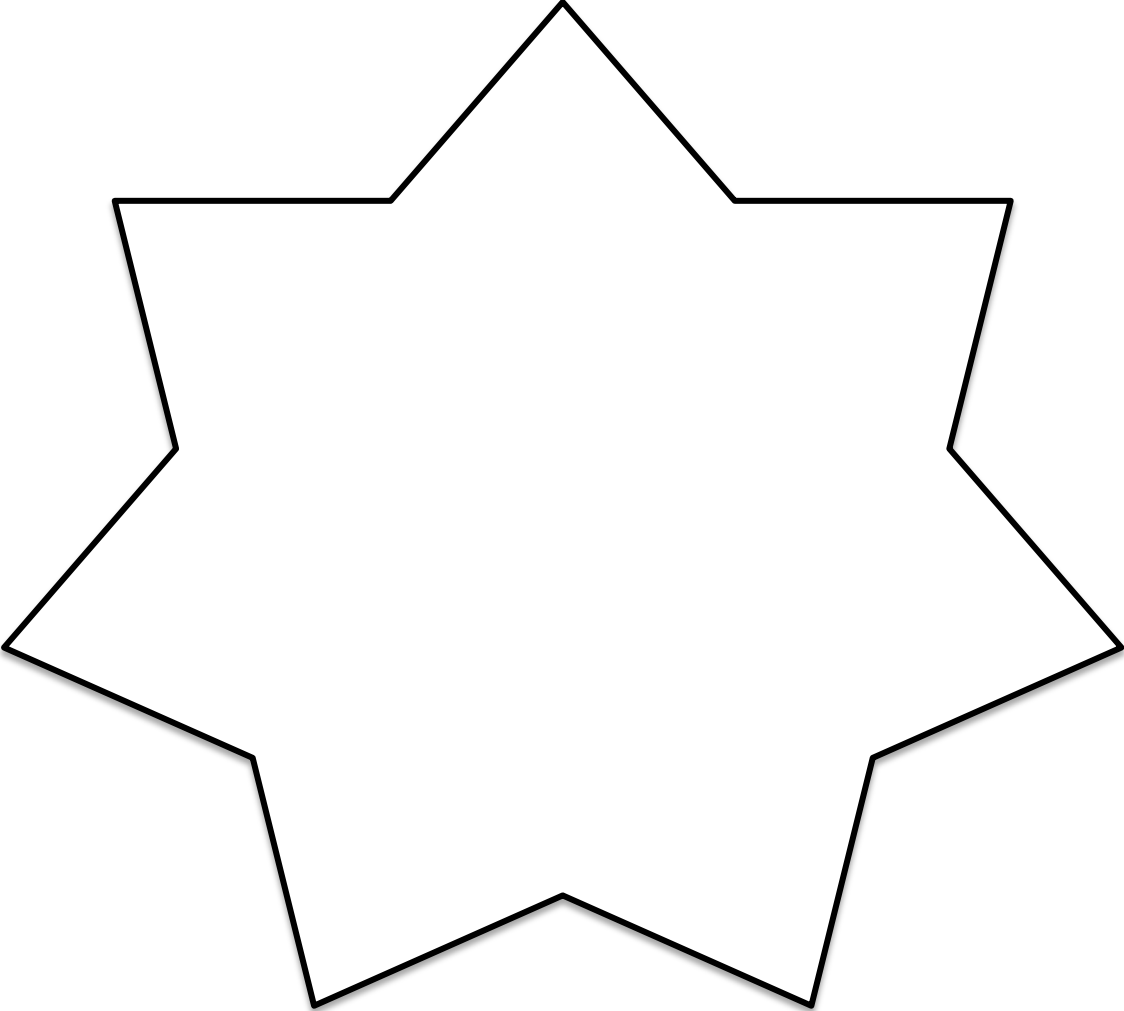


Pic. 4



Pic. 5

LARGE STAR TEMPLATE



SMALL STAR TEMPLATE

