

Book of Matthew

MUSTARD SEED FLOWER

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 13:31-32

He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; ³² it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches."

MATERIALS:

- Mustard Seeds (enough for each child to have a few)
- Small paper plates (dessert size)
- Yellow colored paint or markers
- Black paper, cut into circles for center of flower
- Craft sticks
- Green paper
- Scissors
- Liquid Glue
- Clear tape (optional)

DIRECTIONS:

1. Give each student a paper plate. Color the plate yellow.
2. Glue a black paper circle to the center.
3. Cut small slits into the parameter of paper plates, leaving a small space between each slit. (You will almost be cutting out small triangles to make slits.) These will make your flower petals. (See picture to right.)
4. Paint or color craft stick green. Glue/attach craft stick to the back of the paper plate as the stem.
5. Cut two leaves from the green paper and glue to either side of the craft stick.
6. Put a circle of liquid glue in the center of the flower (on the black paper) and sprinkle a few mustard seeds inside the glue. Allow to dry.
OR, if using clear tape, sprinkle a few mustard seeds in the center of the flower and cover with a piece of clear scotch tape.
7. On the back of the flower, copy: Matthew 13:31-32

