

Sunday School Craft

HOLY MATRIMONY Wedding Gifts of the Holy Spirit

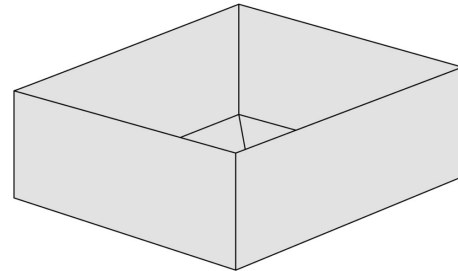
The Holy Spirit bestows gifts of **love, righteousness, patience and endurance** – all important gifts for a successful marriage. The gifts of the Holy Spirit are symbolically expressed in the exchange of the vows and the wedding rings.

MATERIALS:

- Paper – plain white, or “wedding” wrapping paper (to make it look like a wedding gift)
- Pens, Pencils, or colored markers
- Scraps of paper cut into squares
- Optional: Hershey’s kisses, toy rings, or other “fun treat” that may symbolize a wedding

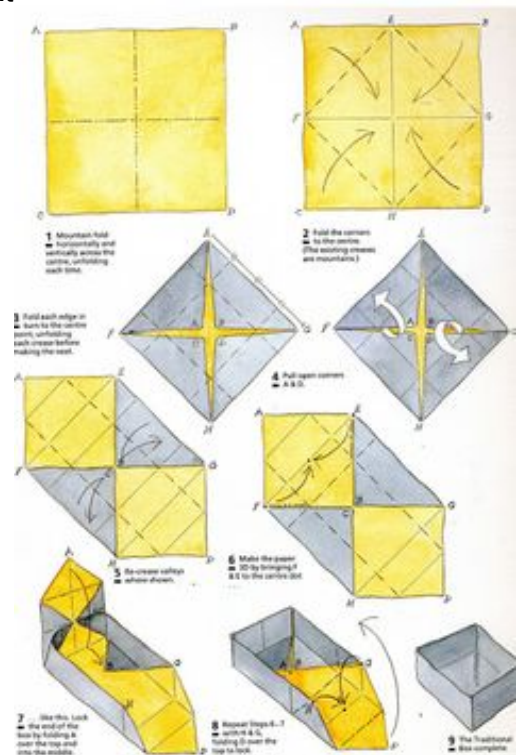
PREPARATION:

- Practice folding paper boxes ahead of time.
- Cut pieces of paper into squares
- Cut scraps of paper into small squares

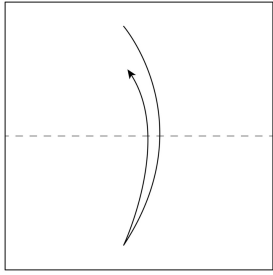


DIRECTIONS: (Larger, step-by-step instructions on next page)

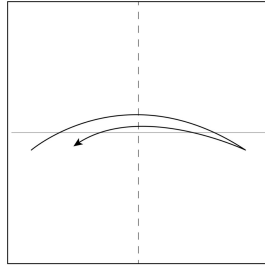
1. Give each student a square piece of paper.
2. Following step-by-step instructions on next page, guide students as they fold their paper into a box.
3. Next, give students 5 small pieces of paper. On the first 4 pieces of paper, students will write the “Wedding Gifts of the Holy Spirit,” (see *below*). On the 5th paper, students may select their own, appropriate, “wedding gift” to give to a newly married couple.
 - 1) Love
 - 2) Righteousness
 - 3) Patience
 - 4) Endurance
 - 5) (Students choice)
4. *Optional:* Give each student a marriage “treat” to place into their boxes.



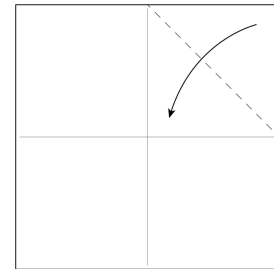
Step 1: Start with a square sheet of paper with the white side facing up. Fold the paper in half horizontally. Crease it well and then unfold it.



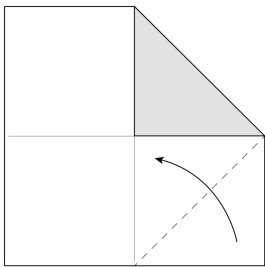
Step 2: Fold the paper in $\frac{1}{2}$ vertically. Crease it well and then unfold it.



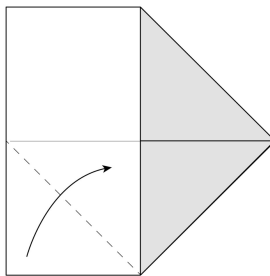
Step 3: Fold the corner of the paper to the center. You'll do this on each of The 4 corners.



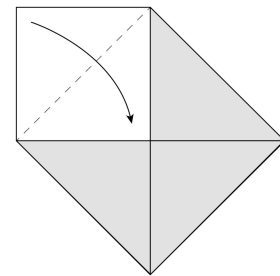
Step 4: Fold the next corner to the center of the model.



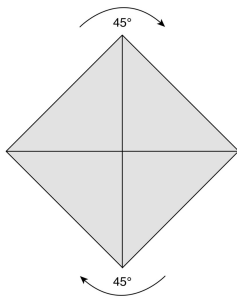
Step 5: Fold the next corner to the center of the model.



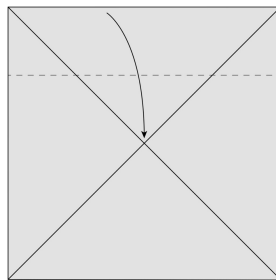
Step 6: Fold the final corner to the center of the model.



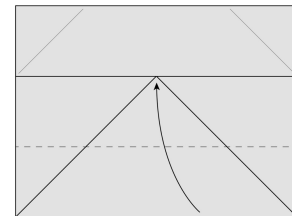
Step 7: Rotate the model 45 degrees so it's square again.



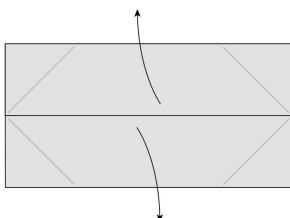
Step 8: Fold the top part of the model along the dotted line to the center.



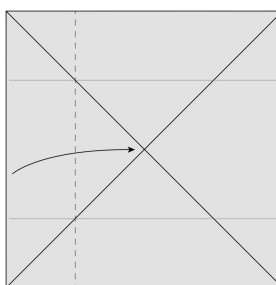
Step 9: Fold the bottom part of the model along the dotted line to the center.



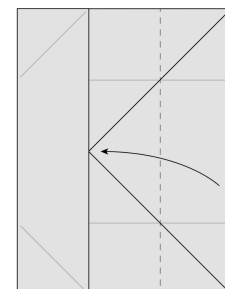
Step 10: Crease both these folds very well and then unfold them.



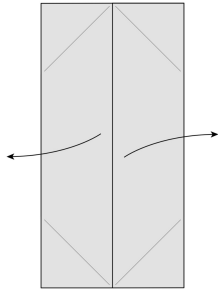
Step 11: Fold the left part of the model along the dotted line to the center.



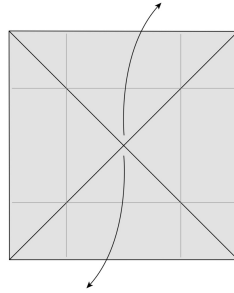
Step 12: Fold the right part of the model along the dotted line to the center.



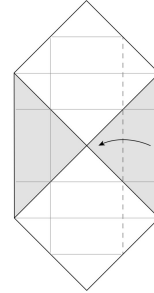
Step 13: Crease both these folds very well and then unfold them.



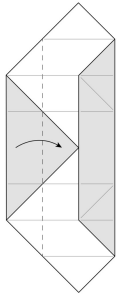
Step 14: Unfold the top and bottom triangles of paper.



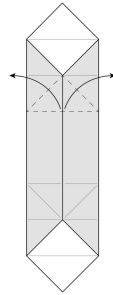
Step 15: Fold the right side of the model to the center along the dotted line. Part of this crease is already here which will make it a bit easier.



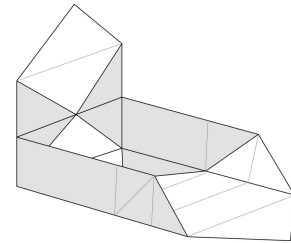
Step 16: Fold the left side of the model to the center along the dotted line.



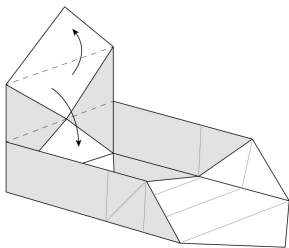
Step 17: Slowly pull the model open at the top following the dotted lines. The creases here are already made.



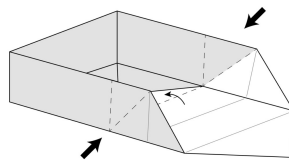
Step 18: When you pull the model open it should take a shape that looks like this. The creases are all already made so everything should fall into place.



Step 19: Fold the flap of paper down along the dotted line that intersects the 2 triangles. This will form the edge of the box. Fold the top triangle of paper up a little bit to fit into place at the bottom of the box.



Step 20: Fold the other side of the box now along the existing creases like you did in steps 17 & 18. The paper should fall into place and give you a shape just like in step 18.



Step 21: Fold the top flap of paper down along the dotted line to form the edge of the box. Fold the top triangle of paper up a little bit to also fit into the bottom of the box, just like in step 19.

