

Moses– Lesson 3

The Ten Commandments

Note: This lesson will take a few class times to complete... but it's worth it!

Read: “The Ten Commandments” from The Children’s Bible, Volume 4, or a comparable version. As you read each commandment, have kids hold up fingers to number each one.

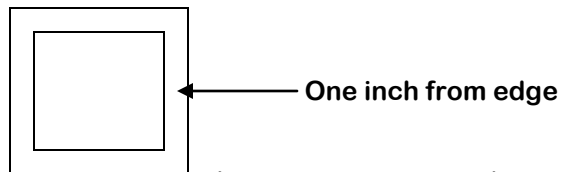
Discuss: As you are reading, pause and discuss each commandment.

Create: A Ten Commandments quilt! We will be making a twin size quilt. You can make whatever size you decide.

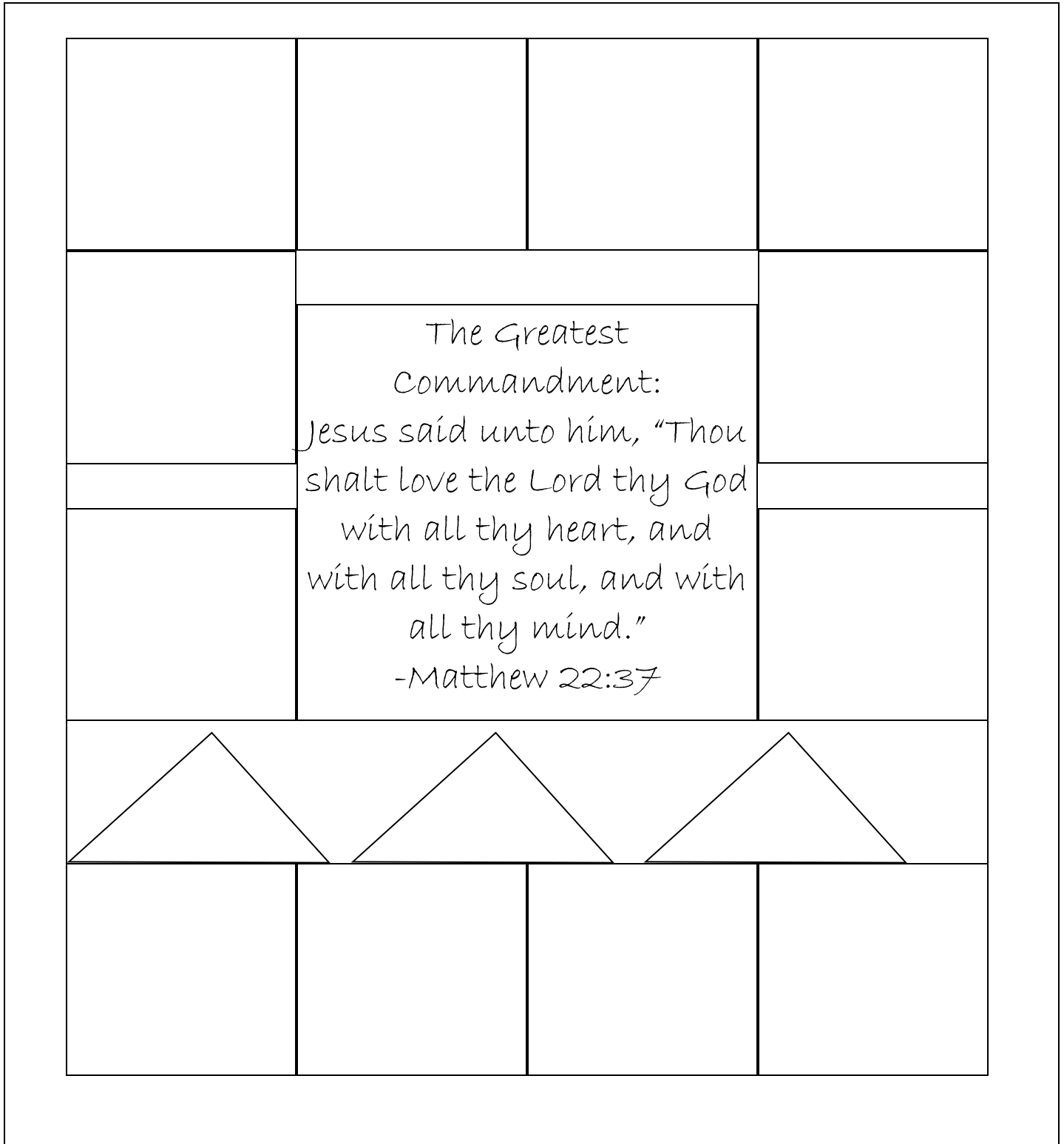
Materials: Fabric, thread, needles, sewing machine, fabric markers, fabric scissors, fabric tape measure, quilt batting, (or a creative replacement, such as an old mattress pad.)

Directions:

1. Spread out the fabric you will be using for quilt squares. Help kids measure and cut their quilt squares. A good size would be 12’x12’.
2. In order to leave a seam allowance, help kids draw lines with pencil, one inch from the edge, on all sides:



3. Let each child choose a commandment. Have them write the commandment on the square, using fabric markers, leaving room to draw a picture to go with it. If they don't have room, have them make an additional square.
4. Depending on how many kids are in your class, this may take several class periods to complete. I also would suggest sewing the pieces together at home if you have a large class, since only one child would be able to help sew at a time. If you do not sew, find a happy volunteer! :)
5. You have creative reign for how you want your quilt to look– but here is my thought, drawn on the next page.
6. After the squares are together, pin the batting onto the back, and bind the edges. There are many tutorials on-line as to how to bind a quilt. Again, find a happy volunteer if needed! Have fun!!



As you can see, there are more squares than commandments. If you use this layout, you will have to creatively fill out the other squares, with kids' handprints, or something else you can think of. The triangles represent Mount Sinai. You may certainly think of another picture to put in this area. It could also be an area for the kids to draw a mural of the Hebrews, Moses, or of the tablets themselves.

Suggested Service Project: Donate your quilt to a nearby homeless shelter. They are in need of all sizes, even for very small children.