

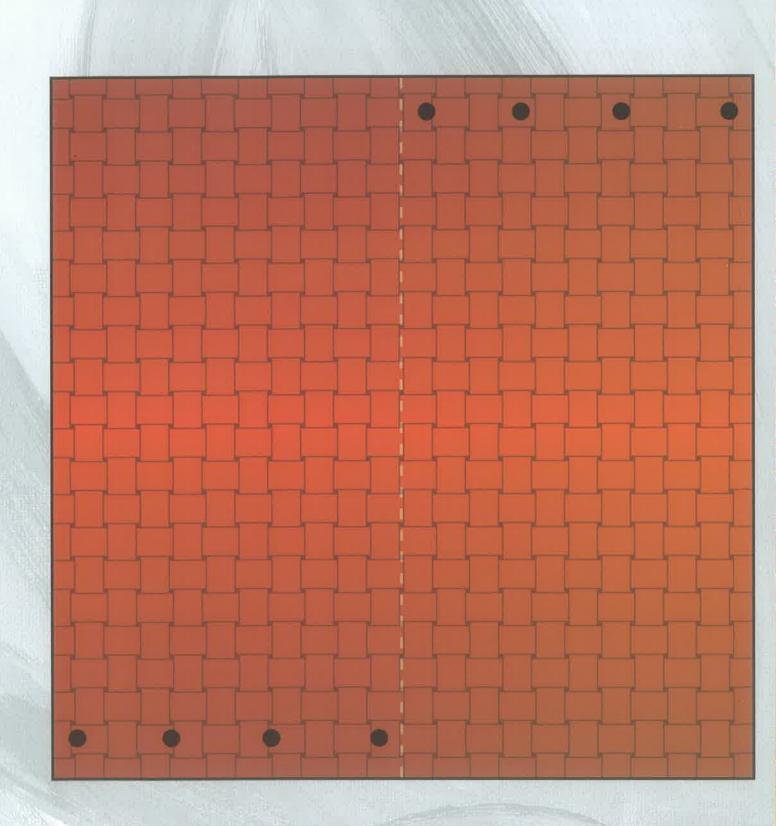
# "Tabitha's Friends" Journal Page



## **Peter and Tabitha**

Sewing Basket





#### Instructions

- 1. Punch out the basket-pattern square.
- 2. Fold in half on the center dotted line.
- 3. Use a hole punch to punch out the marked holes through both sides of the folded paper.

4. Use masking tape to connect one end of two 12-inch pieces

of yarn.

- 5. Weave each length of yarn through the holes on each side, taping the end down or knotting the yarn at the first hole on each side.
- 6. When done, tie the yarn and trim any excess yarn to finish your basket.

**NARRATOR:** In a small town there was a woman named Tabitha, who cared for those in need.

TABITHA: Hello! I'm Tabitha, and I love my community very much!

NARRATOR: One day, Tabitha got sick and died.

**COMMUNITY:** Oh, no! Our friend Tabitha needs help. Where is Peter?

**NARRATOR:** The disciple Peter was in a nearby town, and the community thought he could help.

NARRATOR: When Peter arrived, he was led to Tabitha.

**COMMUNITY:** (crying) Look at how much she did for us. She is an important part of our community.

**PETER:** Everyone must leave the room while I pray.

NARRATOR: Peter prayed to God, and soon Tabitha sat up.

TABITHA: (opening her eyes) I have been healed!

**NARRATOR:** Peter invited the community to come back into the room.

**COMMUNITY:** Tabitha is healed! Thank you, Peter! We will tell everyone what you have done and about your faith in God.

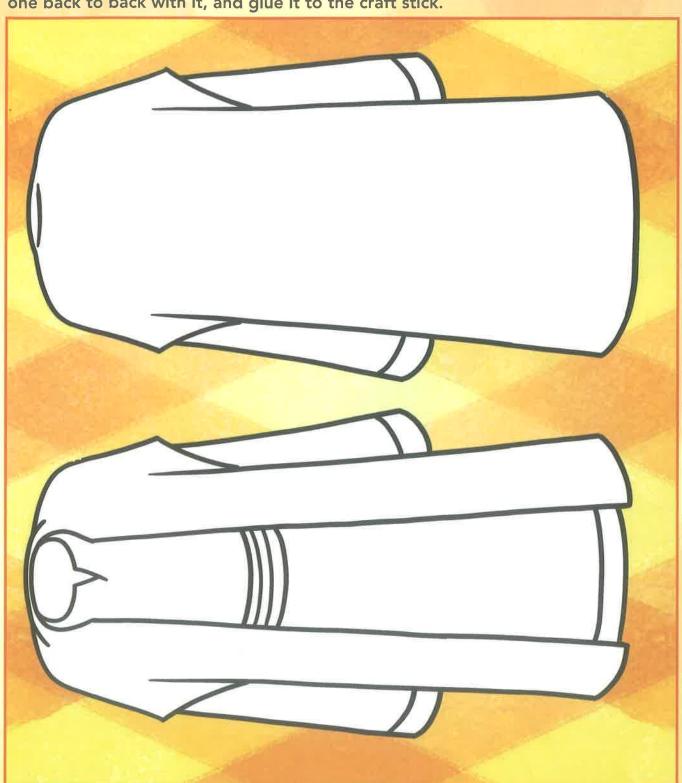


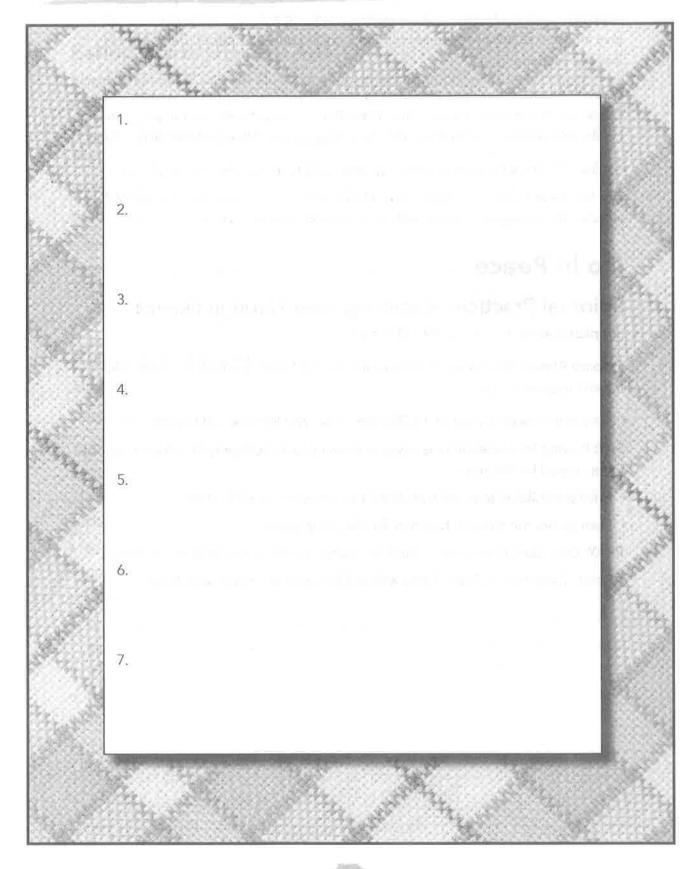
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#### **Caring Clothes**



Punch out the clothes and color and decorate them. Glue the undecorated side of one to the end of a craft stick. Put the other one back to back with it, and glue it to the craft stick.





### **Peter and Tabitha**

A Story of Great Love



Assign roles and retell the story. Then respond to the story by answering the question on the following page.

Narrator 1: There was a disciple named Tabitha in Joppa. She did lots of good deeds for others and helped those in need.

Narrator 2: Then Tabitha became so sick that she died. Her community wanted to show her love and kindness like she had shown them, so they laid her in a room upstairs.

**Tabitha:** (Pantomime lying in bed with eyes closed.)

Narrator 1: The people had heard that Peter was in the nearby town of Lydda, so they sent two people to Peter.

Two People: Please come right away!

**Narrator 2:** Peter went with them. When they got to Joppa, they took Peter to the upstairs room where Tabitha was.

Narrator 1: All the widows were there. They were crying. They showed Peter tunics and other clothing Tabitha had made when she was alive.

**Widows:** (Pantomime crying and holding up clothing.)

**Narrator 2:** Peter sent everyone out of the room. Then he knelt and prayed. Peter spoke to Tabitha.

Peter: Tabitha, get up!

**Narrator 1:** Then Tabitha opened her eyes. Peter gave Tabitha his hand and raised her up.

Tabitha: (Pantomime opening eyes.)

Peter: (Pantomime raising Tabitha up.)

Narrator 2: Peter called the widows and other holy people in the community and presented Tabitha to them.

Narrator 1: News spread throughout Joppa, and many put their faith in the Lord. Peter stayed in Joppa for a while with a tanner named Simon.



Where did you see love through service in the story? Write your answers in the hearts.