Redeemer of Israel Shadow Puppet Theater

Supplies:

- Cardboard box or Shoe box
- Tissue paper or parchment paper
- Scissors or craft knife
- Tape
- Cardstock
- Skewers, pencils, or straws
- Bedside lamp or large flashlight

Verse 1:

- Smiley Face = Delight
- Phone = For a blessing we call
- Cloud = Shadow by day
- Pillar = Pillar by night
- Crown = Our king

Verse 2:

- Fence = Gather
- Sheep = His sheep
- Arrow = Lead them
- Heart = In Love
- Gravestone = Death
- Crying Emoji = They weep
- Forest = Wilderness
- Boot = Rove

Preparation:

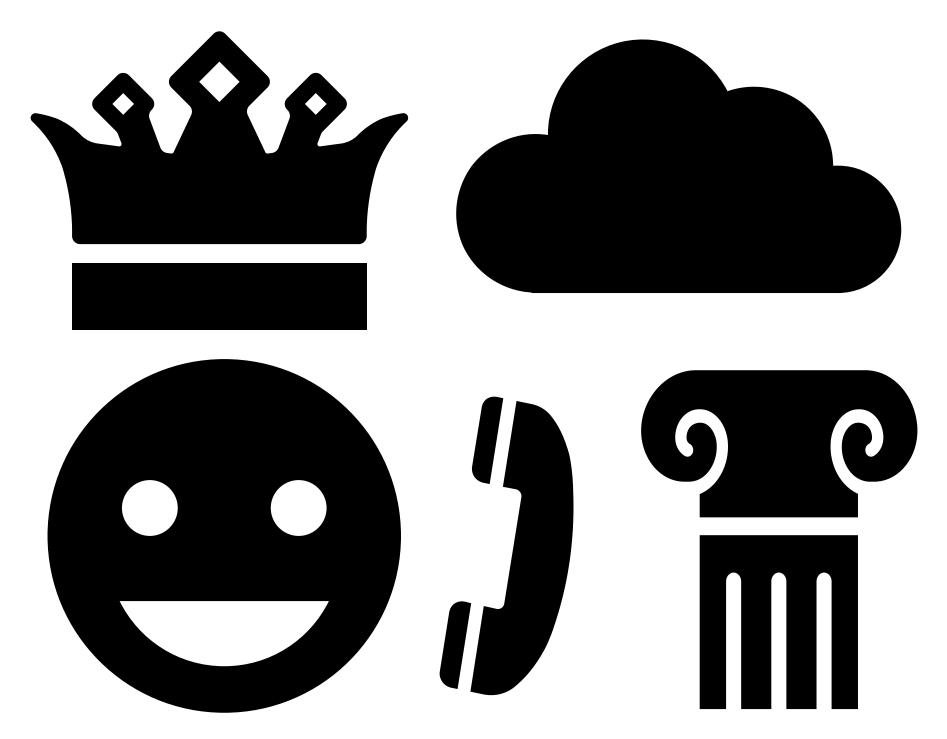
- Prepare a shadow box by cutting out a front window out of a box.
- Cut a hole on each side for the kids to add puppets from the side.
- Add a hole sized just right for your lamp or flashlight to the back. The light will shine through from here to the front of the box.
- Print out the shape pages on a heavy cardstock.
- Cut out each of the shapes and attach a skewer, coffee stirrer, or straw to each for holding and controlling the puppets.

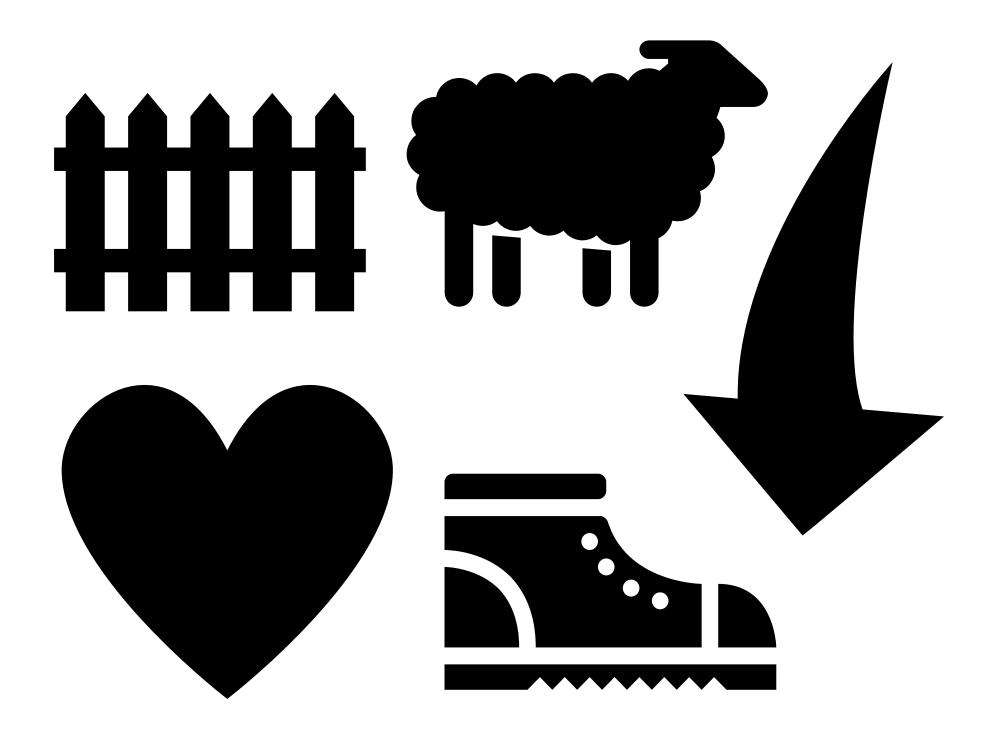
How to Play:

- Sing through Redeemer of Israel once before getting started.
- Then, invite a child to come up and help you and pass out just the first puppet. Tell them what their puppet represents (smiley face for delight) and have them add the puppet when they hear the word!
- Turn on the light and then sing through the first verse. The kids will be "delighted" when they see the first puppet appear!
- Now, add another helper and sing through it again, continue until you have all 5 puppets added.
- Switch helpers and sing through it again!

Extension Activities:

- Pick up a puppet and have the kids call out the keyword for a fun mini quiz of the lyrics! Then, sing together the line that matches the puppet. Repeat until you've quizzed them with all the puppets!
- Have a couple of children come up and act out the lyrics with the provided puppets while you read the lyrics. Then repeat with acting and singing together!









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