
Activity Time

A Covenant Wagon

Description: Discuss the covenants the Saints made as they prepared to journey west and how those covenants blessed them as you fill your family's "wagon" with "provisions".

What you need:

- A copy of the of the "Covered Wagon" activity, scissors, tape, wooden skewer cut into (2) 4 1/2 inch lengths for axles, card stock, glue, and a small strand of yarn to tie cow to wagon.

Preparation:



1. Print out the art work.
2. Glue card stock to the back of the wagon box, wheels, and to half of the wagon seat.
3. Cut out all parts. (Set provisions aside after gluing the cow body together, leaving legs free.)
4. Glue the wheels together. Glue the seat together with the card stock in the middle.
5. Cut out the dots on wagon box, along dotted lines & across the "X" on wheels.
6. Fold dark brown solid lines inward-towards center.
7. Fold solid tan lines outward-away from center.
8. Slide tabs in front together and tabs in back together. Tape to hold.
9. Poke wooden skewers through "X" on 1st wheel, through dots on wagon box, and then through 2nd wheel. Repeat for wheel 3 & 4.
10. Make wagon tongue by folding lines inward & then in half to form a "V" shape. Slide into dotted lines at the front of the box (that have been cut). Tape to hold.
11. Make canvas top by cutting along dotted line, folding tabs inward toward brown bows & then gently rolling (with bows inside) & sliding into wagon box.
12. Make seat by folding along solid black lines. Tape in the front of the wagon.

Activity:

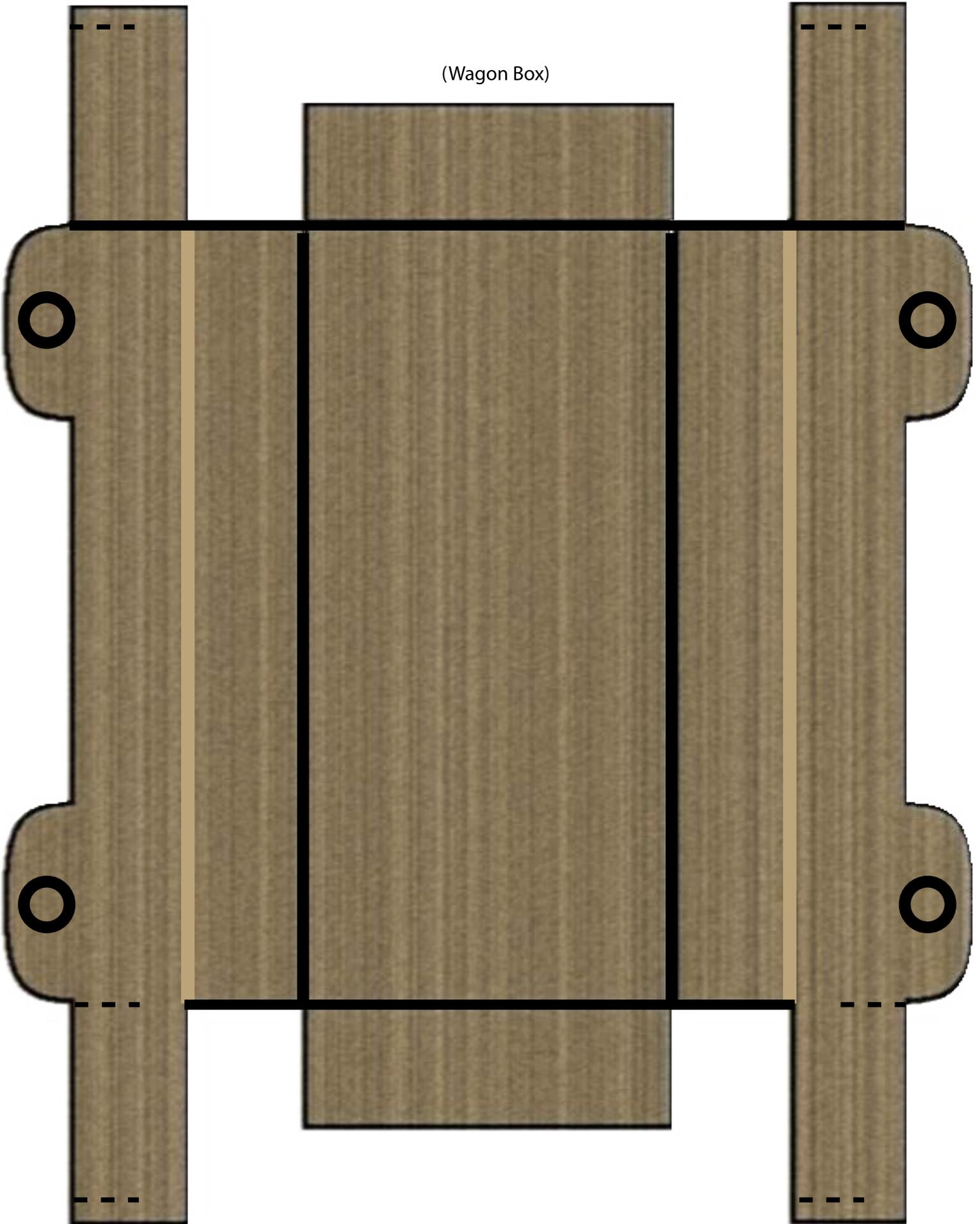
Brigham Young promised: "If you will be faithful to your covenant, I will now prophesy that the great God will shower down means upon this people, to accomplish it [the resolution] to the very letter."

Display the "empty" covered wagon. Explain that you are going to pretend you are pioneers and have made a covenant to keep the commandments and help the poor. The church has donated this wagon to a poor family and we have volunteered to load it with provisions so they can migrate to Zion? (Tape the provisions to the wagon as you answer. Discuss what was necessity and what had to be left behind. As you load the wagon ask questions like: "The pioneers couldn't stop at the store along the trail. How did they get fresh eggs?"

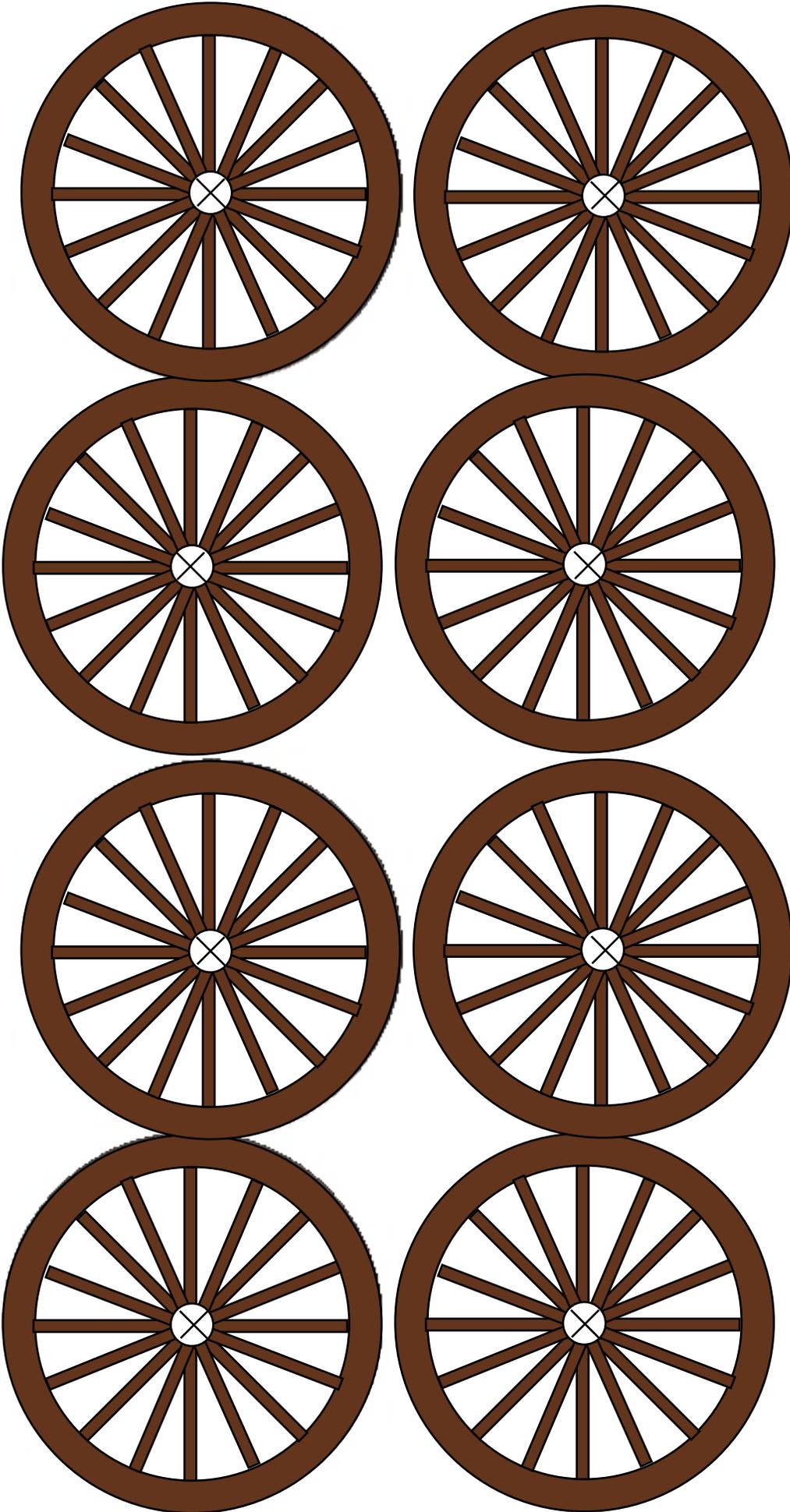
Explain that most of the pioneers didn't even have this many provisions and as they traveled west their supplies and rations dwindled to almost nothing.

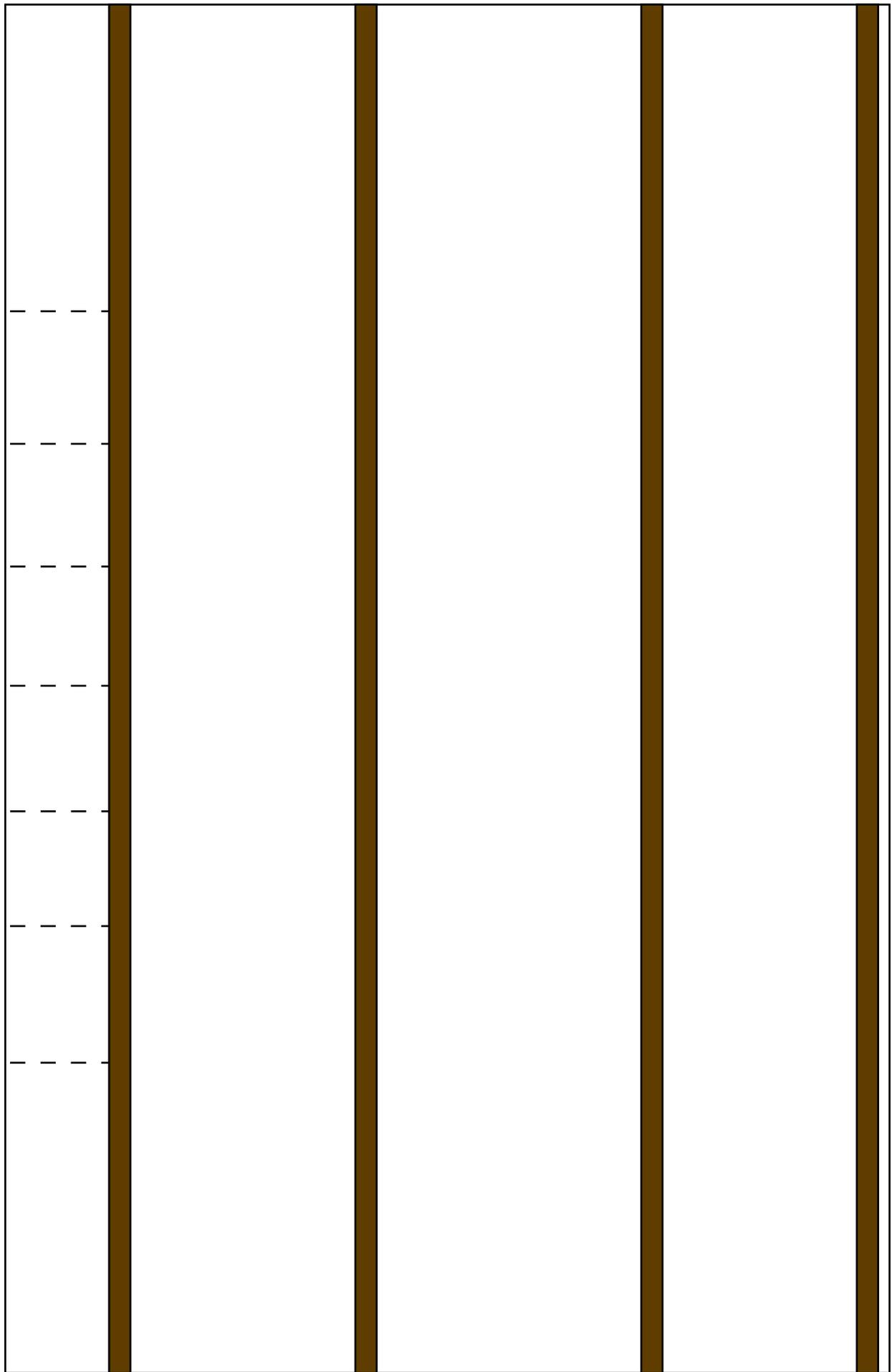
Explain that as members of the Church today, we have also made a covenant to keep the commandments and help the poor. Discuss ways you can keep this covenant and become "pure in heart."

(Wagon Box)

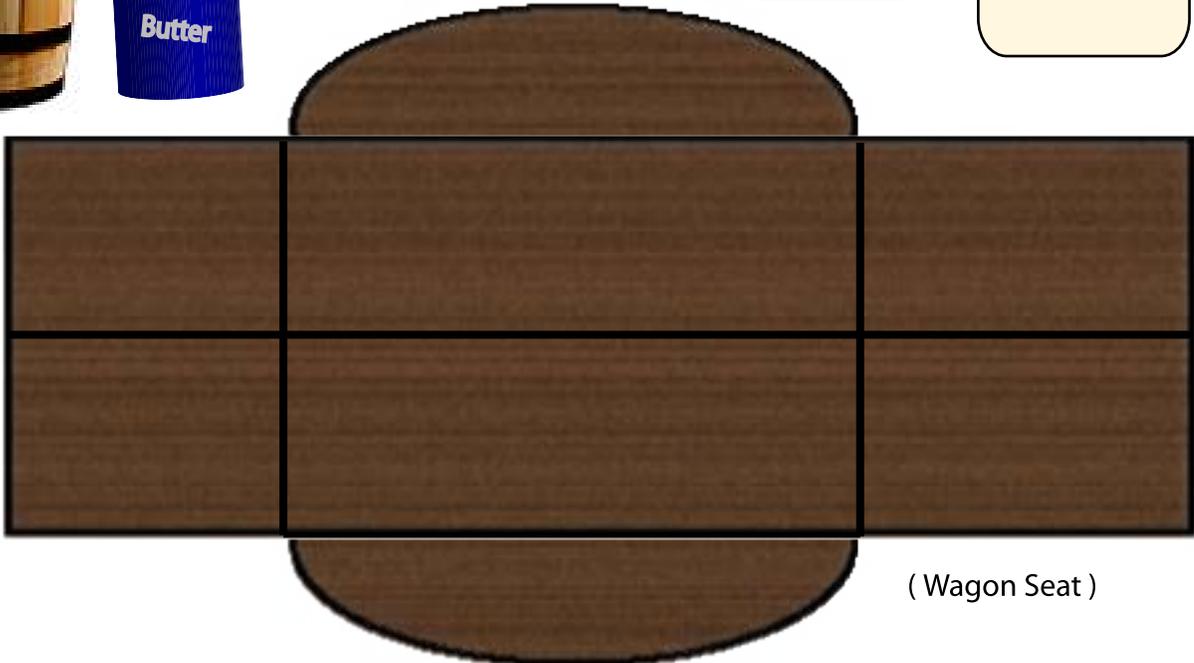
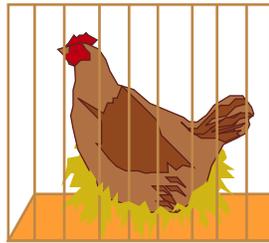
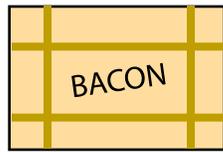
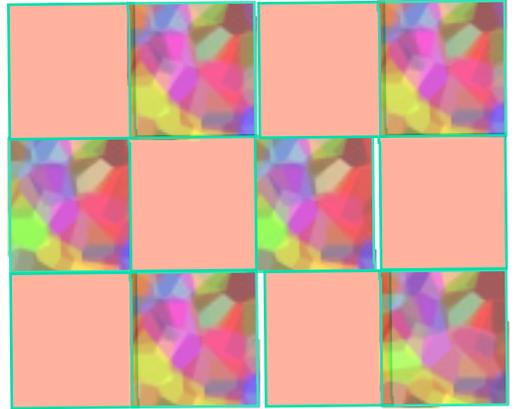
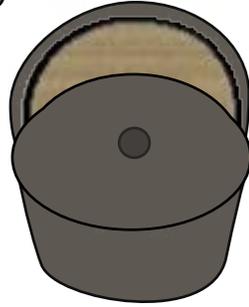
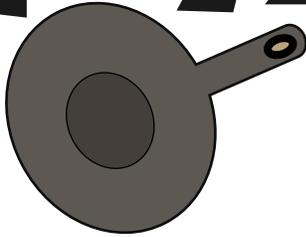
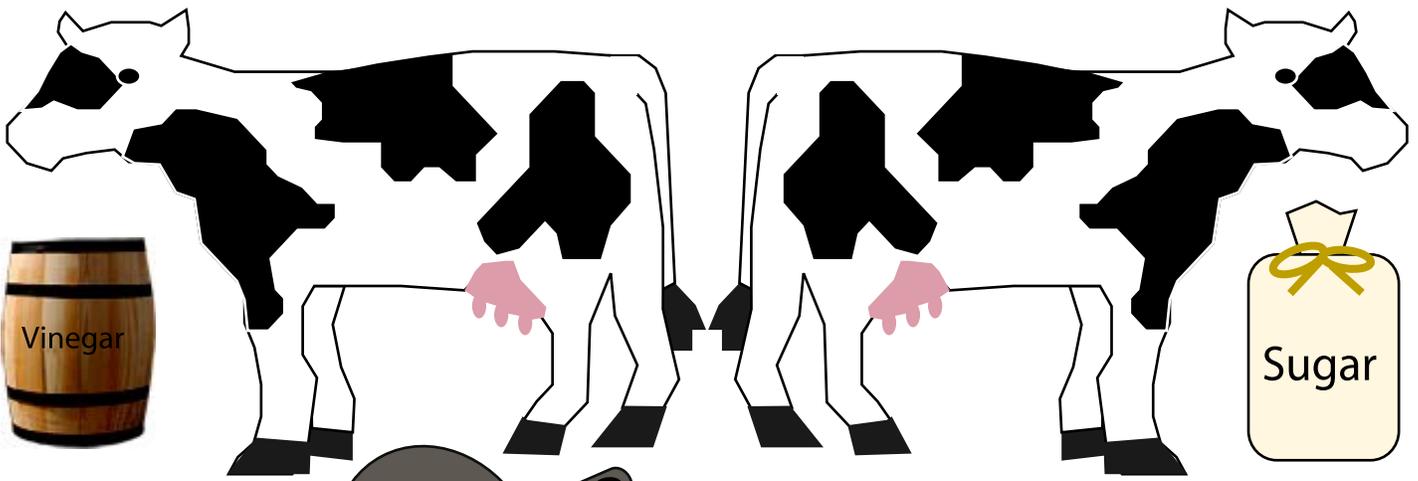


(Tongue)





(Wagon Cover)



(Wagon Seat)