

# Eternity Circlet (V.1)

JUNIORS & PRIMARIES

## Materials

- 2 mm black elastic cord, 24 inches per child
- ⅝-inch flat washers, 1 per child
- Red translucent pony beads, 2 per child

## Tools and Basic Supplies

- Scissors

## Pre-Prep

Cut elastic cord into 12-inch pieces, 2 per child.

## Teaching Tie-In

Show the sample craft and say:

Today's craft is an *Eternity Circlet*, a cool bracelet that has a circle in the middle. Can you think of some things that are in a circle shape? Take responses. Since circles don't have a beginning or an end, they can remind us of Jesus who never began and will never end. There's never been another person like that who didn't begin or end but has always existed. In fact, there's never been another person like Jesus, period! He's the most important person of all time. He's the main person in all of history. No inventor, no scientist, no athlete, no teacher, no doctor, no king or president—nobody compares to Jesus. He is God, the eternal one! Let's make our *Eternity Circlets* now and let them remind us of Jesus!

## Class Time Directions

1. Take a piece of elastic cord and fold it exactly in half. Next, with the top of the washer (rounded edges) facing up, push the fold up through the center of the washer. Then, feed the two ends through the fold and pull so that the loop closes down tightly on the washer. If necessary, adjust the elastic cord so the ends are even.
2. Repeat the same procedure with the other piece of elastic cord. The loops should be positioned on opposite sides (right and left) of the washer.
3. Take one side and feed the ends of the cord through a red pony bead. Slide the bead all the way up to



the washer, then carefully tie an overhand knot to secure the bead in place.

4. Repeat the same procedure with the other piece of elastic cord on the opposite side of the washer.
5. Finish the bracelet by tying the four elastic ends together with a single square knot. Then slide it onto your wrist. If it's too tight or too loose, simply adjust the knot. Use scissors to remove any excess cord.

## Tip Corner

- Larger or smaller washers can work as well.
- The kids may want to color their washers with bright-colored permanent markers before assembling their circlet.

## Super Simple Idea

Each day, at least one super simple option is included, which is a pre-made craft kit from Oriental Trading Company (call 1-800-875-8480 or visit [orientaltrading.com](http://orientaltrading.com)) that goes along with the main concepts of the day.

As an alternative to the Day 1 main crafts, try one of the following craft kits.

- 3-D Creation Craft Kit (IN-13766943)—Manufacturer does not recommend for children under 3 years of age.
- Color Your Own Shamrock Trinity Cutouts (IN-48/6514)—Manufacturer does not recommend for children under 3 years of age.

# Eternity Circlet (V.2)

PRE-PRIMARIES & TODDLERS

## Materials

- 2 mm black elastic cord, 8 inches per child
- Metallic gold pony beads, 3 per child
- Metallic red pony beads, 3 per child
- Metallic silver pony beads, 3 per child
- Clear fuse (Perler) beads, 4 per child

## Tools and Basic Supplies

- Scissors

## Pre-Prep

Cut elastic cord into 8-inch pieces, 1 per child.

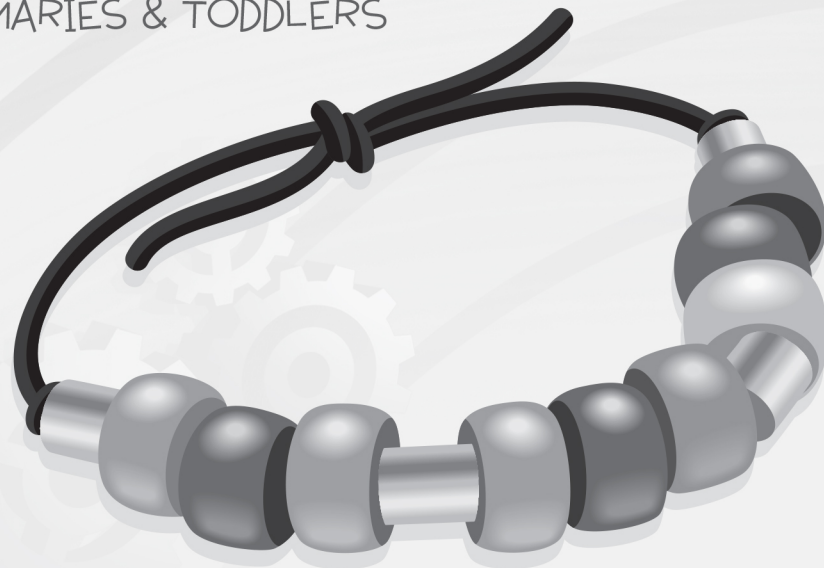
## Teaching Tie-In

Show the sample craft and say:

Look at our fun bracelet that has three different colors of beads! Can anybody name one of the colors? Take responses. Another? Take responses. Another? Take responses. Now here's a harder question. Can anybody name the three persons who make up our one God? We have God the \_\_\_\_\_ (take responses), God the \_\_\_\_\_ (take responses), and God the \_\_\_\_\_ (take responses). God is so kind and loving and good—and he has been around forever! When we wear our bracelets, we can remember that. Let's make them now!

## Class Time Directions

1. Take a piece of elastic cord and tie a knot about 2 inches from one end.
2. Starting at the end without the knot, thread a clear fuse bead onto the cord and push all the way to the knot at the other end.
3. Next, add a gold bead, then a red bead, followed by a silver bead.



4. Repeat the pattern all over again—clear fuse bead, then gold, red, and silver beads.
5. Repeat the pattern once more, then add a clear fuse bead to the end.
6. Now, stretch the cord a little and tie another knot to hold the line of beads in place.
7. Finish the bracelet by tying the ends together with a square knot. Then slide it onto your wrist.

## Tip Corner

- For the Toddlers, bracelets made with chenille stems and fruit ring cereal are a good alternative.
- Consider putting the materials in zippered baggies for each child.

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