

GATHER

1. Scissors
2. Gluestick or bottle of glue
3. (OPTIONAL) Glitter glue
4. Old file folder
5. Bread bag twistie
6. Gift wrapping ribbon (curling ribbon)
7. Holepunch
8. Clear tape
9. Crayons and markers

INSTRUCTIONS

Print

1. 1 copy of the butterfly
2. 2 copies of the cross

Get the crosses and butterfly ready

1. Use scissors to cut out the butterfly and crosses
2. On one cross (it'll be the front), lay the butterfly so that the eyes of the butterfly are lined up with the top of the arm of the cross (the short horizontal part)
3. Leave some space under the butterfly and use a marker to write: **Jesus died and rose for me!**
Write each word on a separate line.
4. Use a marker to write the following on the second cross
 - a. Leave a little place at the top for a hole to be made and write:
The Spirit of God,
(Write each word on a separate line and don't forget the comma)
 - b. Across the arm of the cross, write:
who raised Jesus from the dead,
(Don't forget the comma)
 - c. At the bottom of the cross, write:
lives in you Romans 8:11
(Write each word and the chapter and verse on a separate line)
5. Color the crosses – use crayons so that the words don't get hidden by other marker colors

6. Color the butterfly

- a. use crayons, markers, and glitter glue to make the butterfly as colorful as you like
- b. Flip the butterfly over and color just the wings (we'll be gluing the body of the butterfly to the cross so any color will get hidden)

Get the folder ready

1. Cut the folder in half (at the bend of the folder)
2. Use the back piece of the folder (the crosses will fit on that part) and paste the first cross (it has the words Jesus died and rose for me!) to the folder
3. Cut the cross out
4. Flip the cross over to the empty side and paste the second cross to it – you can trim any edges that are hanging over

Add the butterfly antennae

1. Straighten out the bread bag twistie if it is twisted
2. Bend the twistie in half and make a V shape
3. Flip the butterfly to the back side and place the point of the V around the middle of the butterfly's head
4. Secure the antennae to the butterfly with a small piece of clear tape

Paste the butterfly to the cross

1. Paste the butterfly to the side with the first cross (with the words Jesus died and rose for me!)
2. Flip the butterfly over to the back side and put glue on the body of the caterpillar and a little bit on the wings right next to the body
3. Flip it back over and line the eyes of the butterfly with the top of the arm of the cross and center the body of the caterpillar on the body of the cross (the vertical part)

Add the ribbon

1. Use the holepunch to make hole at the top of the cross – flip to the second side so you can see where the words are so that you don't clip the words
2. Tie the ribbon through the hole

YOU'RE DONE! The biggest gift that we have which the Father gave us is His Son who gave up His life for us so that we can have eternal life. Hang your butterfly cross somewhere that you can see it so that you remember how much Jesus loves you!

Pray with me, say: Dear Jesus, I praise You with all my heart and thank You for loving me so much that You gave your life for me. Please give me lots of Your Holy Spirit so that I can love You and my neighbor as I should. I am looking forward to being with you in heaven! I ask this in Your most holy Name, Amen!

25 Butterfly Cross

The butterfly is a symbol of new life. The cross is the symbol of being saved. Color the butterfly below and cut it out. Then make a cross out of strips of cardboard. Glue your butterfly to the front. Bend a craft stem in a U shape and glue it to the head to make antennae. Fold out the butterfly's wings to show it rising to new life. This butterfly cross will remind you that you have new life through Jesus.



