Diorama of the Lord with Children

“And He took them up in His arms, put His hands on them, and blessed them” (Mark 10:16).

The figures for this diorama are made with pipe-cleaners to allow you pose the figures as desired.

Procedure
1. Make one figure for the Lord, giving Him a white robe.
2. Make smaller figures for children, perhaps using smaller wooden beads for their heads and cutting the pipe cleaners shorter.
3. If you wish to make a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths, wrap a couple of cotton balls in a strip of white fabric (or attach a small wooden bead to a body wrapped in the cloth).
4. Make a diorama setting and then arrange the figures in a way that shows the children gathered around the Lord with one child in His arms, perhaps. Or you may want to have the Lord reaching out to the children. Or have His hands on their heads as He blesses them.

ONE WAY TO MAKE PIPE CLEANER FIGURES

Materials
- wooden beads
- pipe cleaners
- cloth
- thread
- scissors
- permanent marker or liquid embroidery

How to Make the Pipe Cleaner Figures
1. Follow the diagram below to make a small figure with pipe cleaners. Use extra fine permanent marker or liquid embroidery to make the eyes.
2. Cut a rectangle from a piece of fabric. (Coarsely woven materials work well.)
   Cut a slit for the head and pull onto the doll. Then tie around the waist with thread.
3. Glue a smaller piece of fabric for a head covering or make “hair” for the doll by coloring the wooden bead with a marker or attaching yarn or a small piece of fake fur with white craft glue.
Other Ways to Make Pipe Cleaner Figures

These two figures were each made with a wooden doll head (hole in one side) and two pipe-cleaners. One would just need to add clothing (rectangle of cloth with slit for head), faces, and perhaps hair to complete these figures.