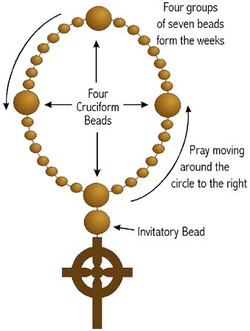
**Praying the Parable of the Great Pearl**

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**Cross:** We pray to God, the One who creates, the One who befriends, the one who inspires; Who holds us close wherever we go, whatever we do, who’s holding us now.

**Invitatory:** Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and God’s righteousness. And all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, Alleluia!

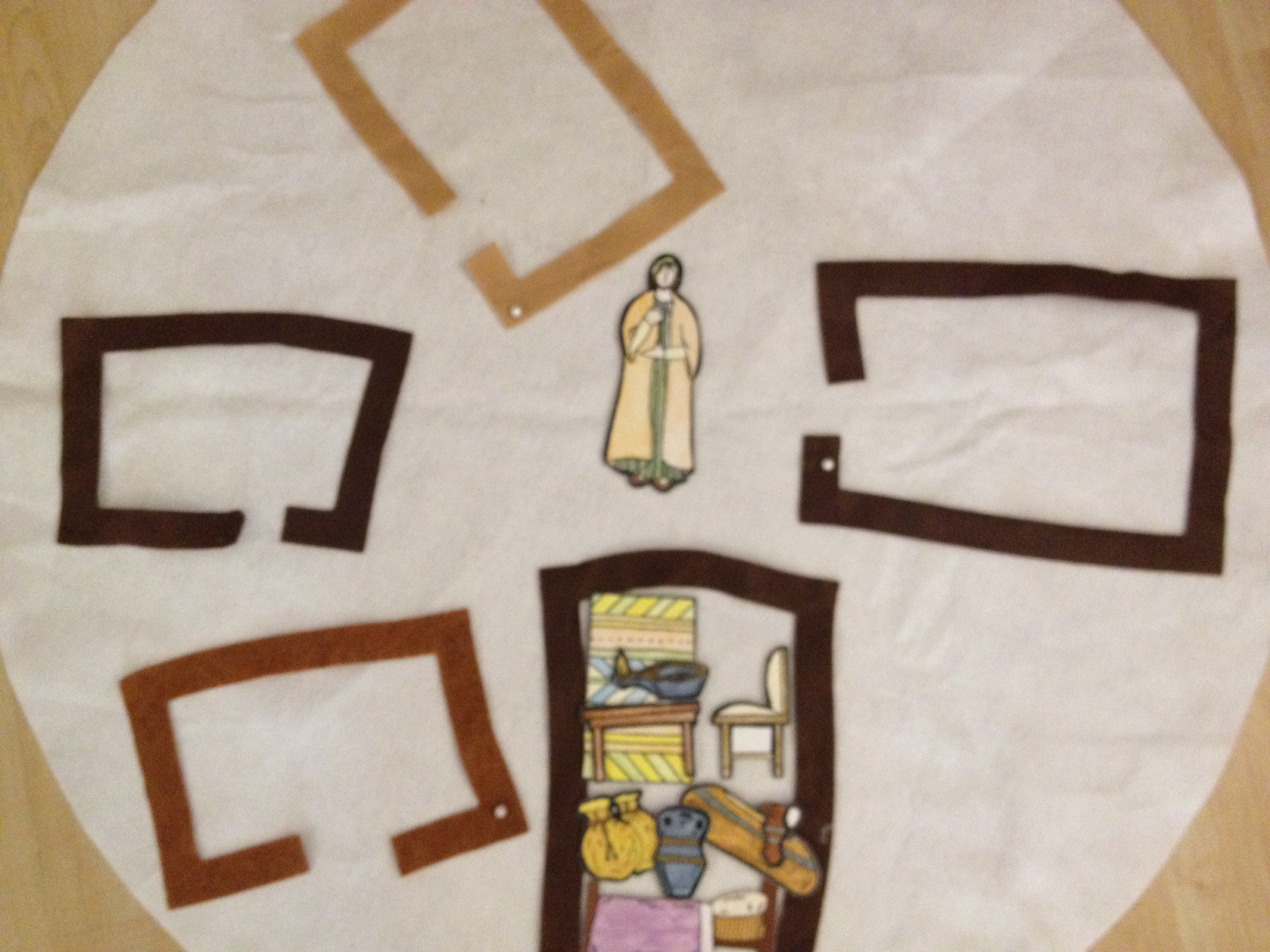
**Cruciform 1:** Remember the merchant who went out in search of the great pearl…

**Week 1:** Pray for those who are searching; (*Searching…)*

**Cruciform 2:** Remember how at last the merchant found the great pearl…how he must have rejoiced!

**Week 2:** Pray for those who rejoice (*Rejoicing…)*

**Cruciform 3:** Remember how the merchant let go of everything he had…

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**Week 3:** Pray for those who are letting go (*Letting go…)*

**Cruciform 4:** Remember how the merchant exchanged everything he had for the great pearl

**Week 4:** Pray that all might discover and treasure what is truly precious in life (*Treasure…)*