

# Reformation Celebration!!!

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## Costume Contest Tips and Ideas

Please help us celebrate the Reformation by dressing for the occasion in Reformation period costumes and Bible character costumes. To help get your creative juices flowing, we have compiled a list of tips and ideas:

- A Bible costume can be made by simply folding a length of cloth in half and cutting a hole in the center for the head to go through. A cord or strip of fabric can tie at the waist.
- Add props to properly identify the specific character from the Bible. - ex. Sarah with gray hair and a baby; Daniel carrying a toy lion; Pharoah's daughter dressed in purple with lots of makeup carrying a baby in a basket; etc.
- Families can dress together as a whole story - Noah's Ark with Noah and many animals; Daniel and a lion; Abraham and Isaac carrying a toy lamb; etc.
- Reformation period costumes can be easily made by shopping at the local thrift stores.
- Fine European ladies dresses can be made from old formals with some lace and trims added.
- A country woman may wear a dark skirt, a white apron and a laced vest.
- Gentlemen's shirts can be made by purchasing a long, loose-sleeved blouse from a thrift store; adding a belt around the waist, and gathering the sleeves at intervals with elastic or ornate trims.
- Make a jerkin by purchasing a jacket and cutting off the collar. Then cut the sleeves off at the elbow and roll the sleeve up to the shoulder, forming a puffed up coil of cloth that hangs just below the shoulder. Add some trims to the coils, and a belt at the waist.

Have fun with it!!

