Snake in the Camp
(The Serpent of Brass)

Materials
1. This document printed.
2. Pencil with sharp point.
3. Eraser.
4. Tape.

Directions
1. Read the Bible story of the complaining people and their punishment in Numbers 21. Read also the famous reference of the story in John 3.
2. Print all the pages.
3. Cut out the pieces.
4. Push the sharp end of the pencil into the eraser to create a pole for the serpent.
5. Wrap the snake around the pencil and tape each end as pictured above.
6. Fold and tape the five tents as shown in the photo.
7. Arrange all the tents around the camp.

The Lesson
Tell the story of five different people who could have experienced the plague. Use each one to show how someone might respond to the cross of Christ and his offer of salvation. Read the verse in their mailbox to discover each error.

1) Mrs. Good Works is trying to invent her own way to be saved.
2) Mrs. Too Busy needs to see that “now” is the day of salvation.
3) Mr. Self-Righteous thinks that his state isn’t as bad as other people.
4) Mr. Skeptic can’t trust God for a matter that is out of his hands.
5) Mr. Believer simply trusts God’s word and is saved.

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There. I’m sure that these bandages will be much better than whatever Moses’ snake can do.

Are you sure Mom? Moses said we needed to look to his serpent on the pole to be healed.
I'm pretty busy right now so I think I'll look for the serpent later.

Mrs. Too Busy lives here.

2 Corinthians 6:2
I was only bitten one time. I know of other people who need to be saved more than I do!

Romans 3:10
Just look to the brass snake? That's much too simple. I think I'll wait to get better on my own.

Mr. Skeptic lives here.

1 Corinthians 1:18
There! See the serpent in the middle of the camp? Look there and God says He will heal you.

I see it. I put my trust in God to do what he says. My snake bite is healed.