



## Christian

### Symbols Speak to Us



In recent years, the fish with the acronym for "Jesus Christ, God's Son, Savior" written in Greek letters inside the fish has become popular with Catholics and

Protestants alike. Since the early days of Christianity, however, hundreds of other symbols have been used by Christians to express a message of faith.

*The butterfly has been used since ancient times as a symbol of the Resurrection.*

Trace or copy our pattern onto a piece of heavyweight paper. (If you are using a copy machine that can enlarge, you may choose to make your box a slightly different size; ours is 2" x 2".)

Cut out the pattern on the heavy lines. Be sure to cut the slits under the butterfly's wings. Use a ruler to help you keep the lines straight and make a crease on each of the dashed lines.

Fold the tab on the right side of the pattern under and use a glue stick to attach it to the inside of the other end of the pattern. Squeeze the left and right side together to form a box shape. Push down and lock the two tabs on the inside of the box bottom.

#### Butterfly Box

##### YOU WILL NEED:

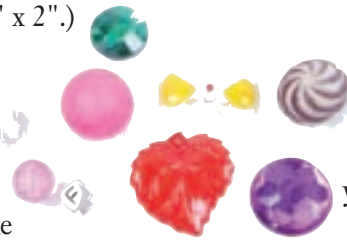
- Scissors
- Piece of heavy paper; cover weight stock will do — colored is nice
- Ruler
- Glue stick
- Tracing paper, copy machine, light box, or brightly lit window
- Gold spray paint
- Faux jewels, fabric paint, glitter glue, acrylic paint, etc. (optional)



Use your glue stick to hold the bottom securely. Fold down the rounded tabs at the top. Then fold and intersect the butterfly tabs, making a butterfly on the top of your box.

Lightly spray your box with gold spray paint. Allow to dry thoroughly.

Use tubes of glitter glue, fabric paint, acrylic paint, and glue-ons to decorate your box as you wish. We outlined and made spots on the butterfly's wings with glitter glue and added antennae from metallic thread.



# BUTTERFLY BOX PATTERN

