

What: **FLEECE TIED BLANKETS!**

Why: Because they are warm, sturdy and a snap to make!
No sewing required!

Who: This project is great for any group that wants to provide gifts of comfort and warmth to those in need. It's an especially great activity for Sunday school classes, youth groups, Vacation Bible School classes and intergenerational groups.

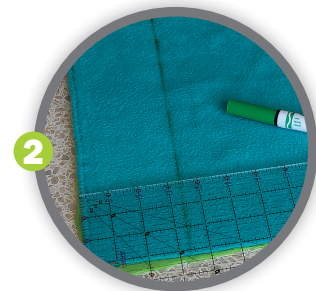
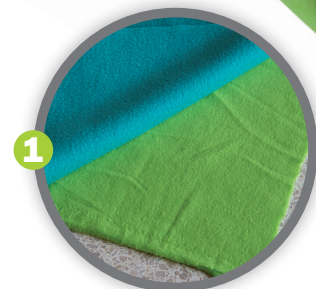
MATERIALS:

- Two pieces of fleece 58" – 59" wide x 80" long*
- Ruler
- Chalk or fabric pen
- Sharp fabric scissors

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1** Place the first piece of fleece with the right side (with the brightest pattern or finish) **DOWN**. Layer the second piece on top of it, with the right side **UP**. Smooth the layers together so they lie flat. Edges and corners don't need to match exactly.
- 2** Using the ruler and fabric pen, mark a line 3" – 3 ½" from the edge of the fabric all the way around.
- 3** Cut out a square at each corner and discard. Cut tabs from the edge of the fabric to the line, about 1" – 1 ½" apart, through both pieces of fleece.
- 4** Tie the top and bottom pieces of fleece together using the pairs of tabs you just cut. Use a secure double-knot, but don't pull too tight and stretch or tear the fleece.
- 5** Check to be sure that the tabs are not longer than 2" long; trim any that are.

***IMPORTANT:** Check out LWR's fabric guidelines at lwr.org/getinvolved/assembly to ensure your gifts of love can reach the hands that need them.



PACKING AND SHIPPING:

- Fold and pack completed blankets into boxes and seal with tape.
- Label each box “Blankets” and include the name and address of your church or group on the box.
- Track your blankets online as they travel overseas to people in need! Visit lwr.org/tracker to learn more and print barcode labels for your boxes.
- Deliver to an Ingathering (local collection) near you. Go to ingathering.lwr.org to search in your area.

OR

- Deliver or mail to one of LWR’s warehouses. Visit lwr.org/pack for details.

TIPS:

- Fleece typically comes in widths of 58” or 59”. If you buy fleece from a fabric store, you can ask them to cut the length to 80”, saving you the step of measuring and cutting the pieces yourself.
- If you’re planning to make a lot of blankets, consider ordering the fleece in bulk online to save money.

For information about LWR’s other hands-on projects, visit lwr.org/getinvolved



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