

Wordless Double Crochet Afghan

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Materials: H hook, #16 needle, scissors, 2.5 ozs. Red Heart 4-ply, worsted weight yarn in the following colors: gold, black, red, white, blue and green

Size: approx. 13" square

Abbreviations:

ch = chain
dc = double crochet
ea = each
sc = single crochet

Special Stitch:

Reverse single crochet (rsc) - After completing a row of single crochet, do not turn, ch 1, insert hook into the next stitch to the right (not in the stitch you just completed, but the next one), yarn over, draw through (2 loops on hook), yarn over, draw through both loops

Ch 42 (or any number that gives you desired size)

Row 1: With gold, dc in 4th ch from hook, dc in ea ch across (40 dc)

Row 2: ch 3, turn, dc in ea dc across (40 dc)

Row 3: repeat row 2 changing color as needed to work the following pattern:

Rows 1-4: gold (heaven)

Rows 5-8: black (sin)

Rows 9-12: red (blood)

Row 13-16: white (clean)

Rows 17-20: blue (baptism)

Rows 21-24: green (growth)

Do not finish off, but attach white for border.

(Note: It is easier, though not absolutely necessary, if you sew in your ends before completing edging.)

Edging:

Round 1: With white, ch 1, turn. 2 sc in corner, sc in ea stitch across, 3 sc in corner, work 1 sc in first row along side, 2 sc in ea remaining row to last row, 1 sc in last row, 3 sc in corner. Now you will be working in the foundation chain, with the afghan upside down. 1 sc in ea free loop across bottom, 3 sc in corner. Work 1 sc in first row, then 2 sc in ea row along side to last row, 1 sc in last row, work 1 sc in corner (you already have 2 there). Join with a sl st.

Round 2: ch 1, DO NOT TURN. Work one reverse sc (rsc) in each stitch around, including corners. Do NOT work 3 rsc in corners. Join with sl st. Finish off. Sew in remaining ends.

