

Aug 20



uncommon SUMMER

MY ADVENTURES WITH JESUS

The Holy Spirit guides me on my adventure with Jesus Kindergarten - 5th grade

Leader Notes

Bible Passage: God Sends the Holy Spirit- Acts 2

Bottom Line: The Holy Spirit guides me on my adventure with Jesus.

Leader Context: When Jesus left and went up to Heaven, he sent a helper to be with the people on earth. The Holy Spirit lives in the people who love Jesus. God can be with us all the time even if we can't see him with our eyes. In the fun times, the sad times, the scary times, and the silly times, the Holy Spirit is the way that God is with us, guiding us on our adventure with Jesus.

THE WIN FOR SUNDAY GROUPS: Give kids a first look at The Bible, Jesus, and our need for a Savior by embracing their physical needs or engaging their interests. Use The Code when necessary to help redirect kids and build relationships.

Social

Games and Music (10 minutes)

What You Need: Instruction Page, Game Sets, Roku Game Instruction Page

What You Do:

- Play worship songs and other songs available on Roku during the Social Game or while kids are playing.
- Using the supplies and game instruction page, choose one game to play with the kids today.
- As you are playing, use this as a time to call each kid by name and learn their names well.

Say: That was a fun game to get us ready to watch our Bible video. Let's sit and listen to our story today."

Bible Story Video (5 minutes)

Transition to Teaching Video - Say This!

Who did Jesus send as a comforter and guide when he went back to heaven?

The Holy Spirit

Do you still see flames above people's heads to know that the Holy Spirit is with them? *Not likely. That was a special time written about in the Bible. But we have the same Holy Spirit living among us now, because people in this room believe in Jesus.*

In our video today Jesus sent the Holy Spirit and people knew that he did because of the flames that were visible above their heads. The Holy Spirit helped the believers as they spread God's love and message to others and started to build what we now call the church. The Holy Spirit helps us too, when we believe in Jesus. He is with you on your adventure with Jesus, helping you know what is right, make good choices, and gives you wisdom from God. He even gives you the courage and the words to share his love with other people. That's some amazing power. Let's see what happens now.

Teaching Video (10 minutes)

Videos

Who's Way-Game(20 minutes)**What You Need:** 2 clear plastic cups, sharpie, ping pong balls**What You Do:**

- Using the sharpie, write "God's way " on one cup and on the other "My way"
- Display both cups in the center of the circle.
- Give one of the kids a ping pong ball.
- Read one of the situations on the Who's Way situation sheet.
- They must choose whether the situation is following God's way or my/human's way by throwing the ball into the cup.
- If the answer my way, they must give a suggestion for how to handle the situation better and turn it into a God's way response.
- Repeat around the circle, giving each kid one situation, until you run out of situations.

Say "Some of those were tough situations. We may not always have the God's way response, and that's ok. The important thing is that we try our best every day to do things God's way. We can do that because when you believe in Jesus, the Holy Spirit is guiding you. In a lot of those situations, we talked about, it might not have been so obvious what we should do. When we have the Holy Spirit in us, he can help us make wise choices and do what God says is right.

What was your favorite part of the videos we watched today? Do you have any questions?

Allow time for kids to share the things that stood out to them, the things they liked, the things they didn't like, and maybe some questions it might lead into the next questions.

Which one of the situations we talked about in our activity was the hardest for you to answer? Have you ever been in a situation where you weren't sure what to do or didn't know what was right? *Allow kids to share their experiences.*

What are some things the Holy Spirit can help you with or ways he can guide you? *Allow kids to respond and discuss. The Holy Spirit is a gift to you from God when you become a Christian. It's a helper to help you: make right choices, know what is right and true, be brave and strong, learn more about Jesus and understand the Bible, show other people what it means to be on an adventure with Jesus, give you the words to say as you share Jesus with them.*

What is something you need the Holy Spirit's help with right now? *Allow kids to share their thoughts and ideas. Maybe you have a choice you have to make, or you're feeling lonely and want the Holy Spirit to remind you God is with you. Maybe you need to feel brave and strong to face something hard or scary. Or maybe you need the Holy Spirit to help you know what to say to a friend. The Holy Spirit can help you understand some of the things you learn from Bible. Take some time this week to pray and ask God for help. He is always there to guide you.*

Say: "This Bible story about the Holy Spirit is so encouraging. I just love knowing that God is with me no matter what. If I need help or feel confused or scared, he is my guide. Remember that if you've chosen to become a Christian, the Holy Spirit is with you, too. You have a guide to help you out on all the adventures you have ahead of you. **Pray-** Dear God, Thank you for giving us the Bible and stories like God sending the Holy Spirit to remind us that we don't have to be afraid because you sent a helper to be with us. Please help us to remember to listen for the Holy Spirit as he guides us. Remind us to always have courage knowing you are with us. We love you so much. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Prepare kids to talk with their family about what they learned today.

- Pass out coloring pages for kids to take home.
- As family members arrive to pick up their kid, greet them and tell them one thing you noticed about their kid that day or something you talked to each kid about remembering this week.
- If there is time to chat with the family, ask how you can pray for them this week.
- Say bye to the kid and call them by name.