

Power

Acts 13:4-12 | Saul and Barnabas

Big Idea

The Holy Spirit is a radical power.

Conversation Starters:

Get ideas flowing by sharing some of your own ideas too!

Use these questions to get your kids thinking about the Big Idea.

- Who or what is the Holy Spirit?
- How is the Holy Spirit connected to God and Jesus?
- What do we call all three (Father, Son, and Spirit) together? (The Trinity!)

[Tip: The Holy Spirit is Jesus' presence with us, which arrived after Jesus returned to be with God. Even though Jesus lives in heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father, we have his Spirit with us here on earth. Sometimes we talk about Jesus "living in our hearts" but it is the Holy Spirit who lives in us. Among other things, he helps and guides us, gives us boldness to share about Jesus, and comforts us in our troubles.]

Video:

Watch this week's video.

Pray & Discuss:

After the video take time to talk about it together.

- What did Saul and Barnabas do in the God Story?
- What was the Life Story about?
- How did the Life Story and God Story connect with the Big Idea?
- **Pray:** Dear God, please transform our hearts and allow Jesus to make a radical change in our lives. Thank you for loving us. In Jesus' name we pray, AMEN.

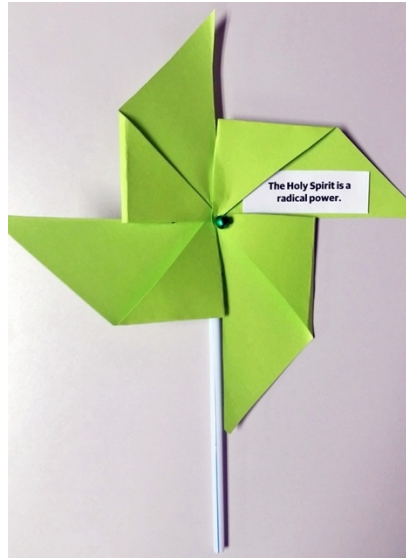
Pinwheel Activity

Supplies:

- Paper square
- Scissors
- Straws
- Brads
- Masking tape
- Markers

Prep: gather supplies in advance.

- Give your child a paper, scissors, a straw, and a brad.
- Direct them to fold their square from corner to corner (diagonally), then fold it the same way again.
- Instruct them to unfold their paper.
- Have them cut along the fold lines, stopping just over halfway to the centre point. Provide help as needed.
- Demonstrate how to bring every other point into the centre of the paper. Show how to stick a brad through the points and into the straw. (See next page for sample photo.)
- Encourage child to blow on their pinwheels.
- Point out that the blown air moves the pinwheel without us being able to see it—but we know it's there. In the same way, we can't see the Holy Spirit, but we can see that the Holy Spirit is a radical power in our lives!



Additional Activities

Key Verse Activity

Supplies:

- Key verse sign
- Key verse in pieces

Review the key verse together. Discuss:

- What do you think it means to “live in Christ”?
- What is “new” in us?

Next, give your child the Key Verse in pieces and challenge them to put the verse together using the Key Verse sign at first, and then, without the help of the sign.

If it would be fun for your child, time them and see if they can race to beat their own time in putting the verse together.

“When anyone lives in Christ, the new creation has come. The old is gone! The new is here!” 2 Corinthians 5:17 (NIRV)