

BIG IDEA

The Holy Spirit helps us.

GOD STORY

Peter and John Help a Man (Acts 3:1-10)

KEY VERSE

"The Holy Spirit...will help you and always be with you." (John 14:16b, CEV)

MUSIC

"Holy Spirit" (The Meeting House Kids Music)

1 | Start

WHO HELPS YOU? SUPPLIES

- Cards
- (Optional) Scrap paper
- (Optional) Writing supplies

TIP

• If you have more ideas to add, use scrap paper to create your own cards.

WHO HELPS YOU? INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Look at the cards together and talk about who helps the children do what's pictured on each one
- b. Review the cards again but this time encourage the children to "be the teacher" and lead the way.
- c. Remind them that the Holy Spirit helps us!

FOLLOW THE LEADER SUPPLIES

None

FOLLOW THE LEADER INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Explain that a man is healed in today's story from the Bible. He gets very excited!
- b. Play a game of Follow the Leader. Guide the children to follow your lead as you walk, leap, and raise your hands in praise to God!

2 | Watch

SUPPLIES

Media player

INSTRUCTIONS

 Watch this week's video from the Now Playing Early Years playlist on the One Story YouTube channel.



3 | Pray

SUPPLIES

- Large piece of craft paper (or the back of wrapping paper)
- Writing supplies
- People cutouts
- Glue or tape

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY

 If you aren't re-using supplies from a previous week, print the Big Idea (The Holy Spirit helps us) in the middle of the paper.

TIP

 Save the supplies and add more people each week during the Help series.

INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Remind the children that **the Holy Spirit helps us** be kind, share, help and love others, and so on.
- b. Ask: Do you know someone who needs help? Who is it? How could we help them?
- c. Write the children's replies on the people cutouts.
- d. Help them stick their cutouts onto the paper.
- e. Pray together for these people and ask for the Holy Spirit's help!
- f. Hang the paper where you'll be reminded to pray during the week.

4 | Craft

SUPPLIES

- Frames
- Stickers
- · Colouring supplies

TIP

 If anyone needs help with their writing, print the word in a lighter colour and ask them to trace over top with a darker colour.

INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Give each child a frame.
- b. Read aloud the text printed on it.
- c. Encourage the children to decorate their crafts.
- d. Guide them to write "Mom" (for Mother's Day) or the name of another special person in the hearts.
- e. Prompt them to give their frame as a gift!

5 | Key Verse

SUPPLIES

- · Key Verse cards
- Masking tape

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY

 Create a path on the floor with the Key Verse cards. Be sure to tape down all the edges to prevent tripping.

TIP

• Keep the Key Verse cards to re-use in Week 4.

INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Lead the children to hop along the path of Key Verse cards. Prompt them to walk, leap, jump, clap their hands, and have fun!
- b. As they move along the path, read the verse out loud.
- c. Emphasize that the Holy Spirit helps us.