

### **BIG IDEA**

The Holy Spirit helps us.

### **GOD STORY**

The Gift of the Holy Spirit (Acts)

### **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

### **WORD SEARCH SUPPLIES**

- Word Search activity page
- Pencil

### **WORD SEARCH INSTRUCTIONS**

- a. Read aloud the list of words on the activity page and make sure the children know what they mean. Explain that these words are from today's story about the Holy Spirit.
- b. Demonstrate how to find a word and circle it.
- c. Encourage the children to search for all the words. Help them as needed.
- d. Prompt them to cross out the words on the list as they're found.
- e. To wrap up, highlight the Big Idea: **The Holy Spirit helps us**.

### **CONNECT THE DOTS SUPPLIES**

- Connect the Dots activity page
- Pencil

### **CONNECT THE DOTS INSTRUCTIONS**

- a. Show the children how to look for numbers one and two, then connect the dots with a line.
- b. Guide them to keep connecting the numbered dots. Help them as needed.
- c. Let the children know that the completed picture is from today's Bible story about the Holy Spirit. Remind them that **the Holy Spirit helps us!**

# 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.

### **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**

- Paper-plate wreaths with ribbon hangers
- Picture cards
- Glue
- Colouring supplies
- Key Verse labels

### **INSTRUCTIONS**

- a. Give each child a wreath.
- b. Place the picture cards, glue, and colouring supplies where they can be shared.
- c. Guide the children to choose four pictures, colour them, and glue them onto their wreaths.
- d. Give each child a Key Verse label and direct them to stick it onto their wreaths.
- e. Read the verse out loud.
- f. Remind everyone that the Holy Spirit helps us.

# 5 | Key Verse

### **SUPPLIES**

- Key Verse sign
- Media player
- "Holy Spirit" from The Meeting House Kids Music

### **INSTRUCTIONS**

- a. Read aloud the Key Verse for the Help series.
- b. Say the verse together a few times.
- c. Play the song and lead your family to move and dance around to it.
- d. Pause the music and say the verse together: "The Holy Spirit...will help you and always be with you." (John 14:16)
- e. Keep playing the music then pausing it and saying the verse for as long as the children are interested.