

BIG IDEA

The Holy Spirit helps us.

GOD STORY

The Holy Spirit Helps (Acts 2)

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

PUZZLE SUPPLIES

Puzzle

PUZZLE INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Put together the puzzle pieces and reveal a picture of Pentecost.
- b. Explain that today's story from Acts 2 in the Bible is about the arrival of the Holy Spirit.
- c. Introduce the Big Idea for the Help series: **The Holy Spirit helps us**.

MEMORY SUPPLIES

Matching pictures

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY

 Mix up the pictures and line them up in two rows face down on the floor.

MEMORY INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Look for matching pictures together. Take turns flipping over two pictures at a time. Cheer if the pictures match! If they don't match, turn them over and try again.
- b. To wrap up, explain that **the Holy Spirit helps us** in many ways.

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

 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

- Cardstock headbands
- Flame cutouts
- Tissue paper squares
- Glue
- Colouring supplies
- Tape (or stapler)

INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Give each child a headband and a flame cutout.
- b. Place the tissue paper, glue, and colouring supplies where they can be shared.
- c. Direct the children to glue the tissue paper onto their flame and to decorate their headband.
- d. Chat about how **the Holy Spirit helps us** be kind, gentle, joyful, patient, loving, peaceful, and so on.
- e. As the children finish, help them attach their flames to their headbands.
- f. Fit each child's headband to their head and tape (or staple) the band together.

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.