

Family Worship Guide Week of May 24th, 2015



One of the ways SC Kids partners with parents to make disciples of Jesus is to provide resources that promote discipleship in the home. This Family Worship Guide is intended to give parents content from this week's lesson to discuss with their children throughout the week.

REVIEW

This Sunday's was Pentecost Sunday and our lesson was called "Pentecost" and comes from Acts 1:12-2:13. For a children's bible version you can refer to Story 122 of the Gospel Story Bible.

GOSPEL

In the Old Testament, the feast of Pentecost was called the Feast of Harvest or day of the firstfruits (Exodus 23:16; Numbers 28:26-30). On this day, bulls, lambs, and a goat were sacrificed, in addition to the regular offering, to make atonement.

Now that Jesus has been sacrificed upon the cross and salvation has come to the people of Israel, there is no longer need to kill the goat of atonement. In addition, the promised blessing to Abraham has been fulfilled. With the arrival of the Spirit of God, the disciples were free to begin the advance of the gospel to people of every tribe, language, and nation.

DISCUSS

What happened to the disciples at Pentecost?

Small flames appeared above each person and they were filled with the Holy Spirit. They were able to speak in other languages.

Who is the Holy Spirit and why did Jesus send him for all of us?

They Holy Spirit is the third member of the Trinity (Father, Son, Holy Spirit). Just as the father sent the Son, the Son sends the Spirit who leads us on mission.

What did people think when they saw the disciples speaking in tongues?

They thought they were all crazy (or even drunk).

What did the coming of the Holy Spirit mean?

The promise to reach all nations with the gospel had begun.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

For additional family devotionals you can purchase "Old Story New: Ten Minute Devotions to Draw Your Family to God" at amazon.com or from the Sacred City Bookstore on Sunday.

SING

Singing is a great way for kids to experience and memorize God's Word. Here are a few family favorites: Preschool age - "Cedarmont Kids - Bible Songs" and for Preschool and Elementary age children we recommend the Morning Star Catechism CD (available at the SC bookstore) and Seeds Family Worship.

PRAY

Pray for the Holy Spirit to use you in reaching the nations with the good news of salvation. Pray for God to show you ways to share the gospel with friends and family.



Preschool

Q 10. Where is God?

A 10. God is everywhere.

Psalm 139:7 - 10 Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence? If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there. If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast.

Lower Elementary

Q 20. In what condition did God create Adam and Eve?

A 20. He made them holy and happy.

Genesis 1:31 God saw all that he had made, and it was very good. And there was evening, and there was morning--the sixth day.

