

WEEK 3: Sharing the Good News of Jesus

Big Idea: The Holy Spirit helps us.

HANGOUT

1. Before the children arrive, set out some fun toys for them to play with and share, such as building blocks.
2. As you play together, discuss:
 - Who do you like to share your toys with?
 - Have you ever shared a snack with a friend? If so, who was it?
 - Has anybody ever shared something really cool with you? If so, what was it?
 - Is it always easy to share? Why or why not?
3. Tell the children that **the Holy Spirit helps us** share about Jesus with other people. Remind them that the Holy Spirit is part of the Trinity, along with God the Father and Jesus the Son. They are like the three corners of a triangle.

HEAR

4. Let everyone know that in today's story from the Bible, the Holy Spirit helps Peter and John be bold, so they can tell many people about Jesus. Ask the children if they know what it means to be bold. Explain that it's being strong and having courage. Provide a physical example of looking bold (e.g., muscles flexed and a look of determination on your face). Invite the group to look bold along with you.
5. Use a children's Bible to read about Peter and John sharing the good news of Jesus in Acts 4:1-31.
6. Discuss: What did Peter and John do when the Holy Spirit helped them to be bold? (they shared the good news about Jesus with everybody!)
7. Tell the children that **the Holy Spirit helps us** share about Jesus, too!

HUDDLE

8. In advance, write "Jesus loves you!" in a heart on a piece of paper for each child in your group.
9. Ask everyone to think of one person whom they can tell about Jesus. Provide colouring supplies and guide the children to decorate their "Jesus loves you!" pages as a gift for this person. Let them know that it's awesome they're sharing Jesus with others!
10. Pray, "Thank you, God, for the Holy Spirit who helps us tell others about Jesus! Please bless all my friends: [say each child's name if possible]. We love learning about you. Amen."

I am going to tell _____ about Jesus!

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Acts 4:1-31



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