



Lesson 42

1st-4th

FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

June 7 & 8

THE HOLY SPIRIT IS WITH US



LESSON GOAL:

Background: In this passage, Paul explains that people who believe in Jesus should follow the Holy Spirit's guidance instead of living selfish and sinful lives. When we live in step with the Holy Spirit, we begin producing good fruit in our lives through our words, actions, and thoughts.

Lesson Goal: For kids to understand that the Holy Spirit is with us and as we grow and live in step with the Holy Spirit, we will begin to grow the fruit of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, gentleness and self control in our hearts and lives.

Galatians 5:22-26

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Kids Camp (June 9-12)

woodmenvalley.org/kidscamp



KEY VERSE:

"Love your neighbor as you love yourself."

Ephesians 5:14, NIRV

MISSION FOCUS:

Church In A Box

This month, we are helping friends in South Asia tell people about Jesus! We are giving them a special gift called a graduation kit to help them. This kit includes a blanket, a box of Bibles, a bongo (or drum) and a bicycle.

Our goal is to help 20 church planters, or leaders, get ready to tell others about God's love.

We want to raise **\$11,000**. Wow! That's a lot! Can you help us reach our goal? Let's pray for these leaders as they prepare to share God's love.



5:45-6:10pm
8:45-9:10am
10:45-11:10am

CHECK-IN

The goal of check-in is to greet parents/guardians and children by name and help them feel known and welcome.



I'm so glad to see you today, *(insert child/parent name)*!

Grab today's **Lesson Card**. Look up the Bible passage in your own Bible or a classroom Bible and leave your card there as a bookmark. Then, you can play with the classroom activities until we begin Explore time.

6:10-6:25pm
9:10-9:25am
11:10-11:25am

EXPLORE

The goal of Explore is to help kids connect relationally and think about the Bible story. It should be completed in small groups of 5-7 kids per one Ministry Partner.



DISCUSS: The Holy Spirit is With Us!

Help kids connect relationally by asking them about their week, then discuss the lesson topic for the day and read the Bible passage together.



Let's take turns sharing 3 words about our week. I'll go first!
Share your 3 words then invite the next child to share.



Today, we are learning about how **The Holy Spirit is With Us**. This story comes from the Bible in **Galatians 5:22-26**. Can you open your Bible to the passage with me so we can read it together?



Read the Bible passage aloud or pick a child to read it aloud.



CONNECT: Why Does It Matter?

Help kids prepare for the lesson by thinking through the Big 3 questions and how the lesson relates to them, personally.



SAY:

Let's answer THE BIG 3 questions for today's lesson & talk about how it applies to our lives!

1. Who is our story about today?

The Holy Spirit and us

2. What is the problem?

We are all sinful and selfish, and need help to live more like Jesus

3. What will God do?

God gave those who believe in Him the Holy Spirit as a helper and guide.

Encourage kids to think about why this matters and how they can apply it to their own life as they listen to the story!



MAKE: Fruit of the Spirit Chain

Help kids think about the lesson further and have fun by doing this activity!

Supplies: paper strips (1 set/child), crayons/markers, God statement sticker, tape or stapler



DO:

Pass out one set of fruit of the spirit strips per child. Have them color their pieces and tape them together to make a chain. When finished, put the God statement sticker on top.



SAY:

The Holy Spirit is with us! When we have the Holy Spirit, we grow in the fruits of the Spirit too. Let's make a special craft to prepare us for our lesson today.

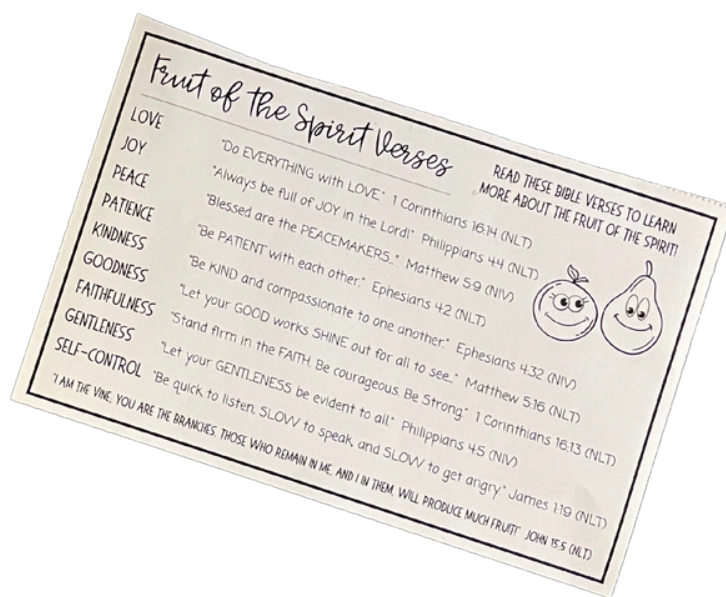


CLEAN UP: Transition to Large Group

Ask kids to clean up the activity or save it to finish for the end of class. Then, ask kids to line up and/or transition to Large Group.



Craft Example



6:25-6:50pm
9:25-9:50am
11:25-11:50am

LARGE GROUP

The goal of Large Group is to help kids grow in their relationship with God by participating in Worship and hearing an engaging Bible story.



EXPECTATIONS

As kids transition to Large Group time, play the expectations video.



HOST MOMENT

After the Large Group expectations video is finished, the Host should welcome the kids in an engaging way and share the daily host content.



SAY:

Welcome! We're so glad you're here today! Let's take a few minutes to look at our Missions project for the day and our Key Verse.

MISSION FOCUS

Introduce or share an update about the current mission focus.

KEY VERSE

Introduce the key verse then have the kids watch the Key Verse video.

PRAY FOR WORSHIP & BIBLE LESSON



WORSHIP

Invite your Worship Leader to come up and play the worship song videos. Encourage kids to participate and be respectful to others.

SONG 1: Help Me Live in Step

SONG 2: Nobody



LESSON VIDEO

Play the daily Bible lesson video.



WORSHIP RESPONSE

Lead the kids through a quiet time of responding to what God is teaching them.



BLESSING

As Large Group ends, speak this blessing over the kids.

May you live in step with the Holy Spirit! May God help you grow the fruit of the spirit in your heart this week!



TRANSITION

After the blessing, the Host should dismiss the kids to return quietly to their classroom (if applicable) and transition to Respond.

WORSHIP RESPONSE



REFLECT: The Holy Spirit is With Us!

Help kids reflect on the lesson by providing a quiet space for the Holy Spirit to work in their hearts as they think about how it applies to them personally.

Worship Response Station

Supplies: “Fruit of the Spirit” stepping papers (1 per class)



SAY:

When we believe in Jesus, we are given the Holy Spirit as our helper and guide! As we listen to the Holy Spirit, God guides us to turn away from selfish and sinful lives, and focus on living more like Jesus! When we live in step with the Holy Spirit, we begin producing good fruit in our lives through our words, actions, and thoughts. The Holy Spirit is with us!



DO:

- Ask the kids to quietly participate in the following activity. Say:
 - ***God uses His Spirit to help us grow more like Jesus!***
 - ***Do you remember what the “fruits” are that the Holy Spirit helps us grow?*** Let kids respond.
 - ***Let’s practice following the Holy Spirit and learn about the different fruits that God can grow in our hearts!***
 - Give each class a set of “Fruit of the Spirit” steps. Then, have the teachers lay down the “Fruit of the Spirit” steps and have the kids take turns stepping on each fruit as you say each fruit together.
 - ***Now that we’ve practiced living in step with the Holy Spirit, turn to your neighbor and tell them one fruit you can work on this week!***
 - ***The Holy Spirit is with us!***
- Close the time by praying over the kids.



BLESSING

As Large Group ends, speak this blessing over the kids.



SAY:

May you live in step with the Holy Spirit! May God help you grow the fruit of the spirit in your heart this week!

6:50-7:10pm
9:50-10:10am
11:50am-12:10pm

RESPOND

The goal of Respond is for kids to think about the lesson and how it applies to them. It should be completed in small groups of 5-7 kids per one Ministry Partner.



APPLY: Why Does it Matter?

Help kids process what they learned in the lesson by answering the Big 3 questions you asked at the beginning of class.



SAY:

Let's answer THE BIG 3 questions for today's lesson & talk about how it applies to our lives!

1. Who was our story about today?

The Holy Spirit and us

2. What was the problem?

We are all sinful and selfish, and need help to live more like Jesus

3. What did God do?

God gave those who believe in Him the Holy Spirit as a helper and guide.

4. Why does this matter to me?

As I listen and learn from the Holy Spirit with me, I begin to grow good fruit in my life through my words, actions, and thoughts.

5. How can I apply this to my own life?

Example: I can pick a fruit of the Spirit to focus on each week and ask the Holy Spirit to help me grow it; I can read Bible verses about each fruit of the Spirit; I can ask my grownup to talk about what each fruit means with me



PRAY: Connect Relationally

Help kids understand the power of praying together. Use the Prayer Tags from Check-In to write down prayer requests to take home and pray for during the week.



SAY:

Does anyone have a prayer request they'd like to share? You can also share with a leader privately, if you don't want to share aloud.



DO:

Invite kids to pray for each other, then the leader closes in prayer.

As parents
arrive after
service

CHECK-OUT

The goal of check-out is to re-connect kids with their parent and communicate any upcoming events or announcements as families leave.



DO:

Encourage kids to finish their activities or play classroom games until their parent comes to pick them up.

As kids get picked up, mention any announcements while handing them the announcement card and ensuring they take their weekly **Lesson Card**.