

GOD GIVES US THE HOLY SPIRIT



Week 2 – Preschool Additional Resources for Parents

ACTIVITY: Make a Fire Hat

INSTRUCTIONS: Use orange, yellow, or red construction or craft paper. Help or instruct your child(ren) to make their own “fire hats” using the instructions at the bottom of this document. Everyone put your fire hats on your heads! Today’s Bible Story is about when the Holy Spirit came down on people like a fire!

THE BIG IDEA: **God gives us the Holy Spirit.**

INSTRUCTIONS: Sit in a circle as a family or across from your child, and pass a ball around or back and forth. We can take turns giving each other the ball. God chose to give the people a way to talk to God and know what God wants for them. God gave them a Helper, called the Holy Spirit. You can give this ball to the person next to you and say, “God gives us the Holy Spirit.”

SCRIPTURE: Acts 2:1-4

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The Holy Spirit Comes at Pentecost

2 When the day of Pentecost came, all the believers gathered in one place. ² Suddenly a sound came from heaven. It was like a strong wind blowing. It filled the whole house

where they were sitting. ³ They saw something that looked like fire in the shape of tongues. The flames separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit. They began to speak in languages they had not known before. The Spirit gave them the ability to do this.

Not long after Jesus went up to heaven, followers of Jesus were together in one place. Then, the people heard a big, loud **wind** (Hold both arms across you in a swooping motion). Let's make a wind sound. Shhhhhh. Whhooooosh.

The people looked around and saw what looked like **fire** above them (Cup your hands and rapidly move your fingers like the crackling of a fire then put it on your head). But the fire did not hurt them.

What the fire did was fill everyone there with the Holy Spirit. Then an amazing thing happened. The people who were there started speaking all kinds of different languages without ever speaking them before!

With the help of the Holy Spirit, God would be able to talk to each person and help them everyday. The Holy Spirit helps us, too. The Holy Spirit helps us to be brave when we are afraid. The Holy Spirit comforts us when we are sad. The Holy Spirit also helps us to do the right thing.

Isn't that so cool? I am so glad God gave us the Holy Spirit!

ACTIVITY: Wind and Fire

INSTRUCTIONS: Before the kids arrive, print out the Wind and Fire printable. Stick them on the wall in opposite corners of the classroom. Point to each picture and tell the kids what each represents. Gather the kids in the middle of the room to start the game. Remember our story had wind and fire in it? Let's play a little game about wind and fire! When I ask you a question, you have to go to the side of the room that has the correct answer. Ready to go?

What is something that blows through the air when it's cold?

What is something that keeps you warm?

The people in today's story heard a sound like this: Shhhhhh. Whhhooooosh.

What did they hear?

After the sound, they saw something that looked like this. What was it?

*Instructions.
How to make a paper hat*

