



Quarter 3 — Lesson 39



Year 3—Quarter 3: Worship

The Holy Spirit Helps Us Worship

Pentecost: Acts 2

The Holy Spirit entered on the Day of Pentecost like a rushing wind...what is so important about air? It gives life! We have to breathe...God gives us life too!

Explain: Jesus had promised, before going to Heaven, that He would send the Holy Spirit for the disciples. He kept that promise, and in this lesson we will explore how Pentecost energized people to spread the Gospel good news. This message is for us too so we can shine God's love.

Read Acts 2:1-3 or share video clips, children's Bible story ver-

sions, or other methods to share the passage.

Peter preached a sermon and reminded the onlookers that God had promised what was happening would happen. The Holy Spirit had enabled it, and that was only the beginning of the growth of the church.

From that day on, the disciples were excited to tell everyone who would listen about Jesus.

Today we celebrate what God has done and we live as His people by telling people about God.

Power Point

The Holy Spirit Helps Us Share the Gospel.

MEMORY VERSE

"You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you"
- Acts 1:8

Party: Birthday of the Church

Some people call Pentecost the birthday of the church. Celebrate with party favors and classic birthday games (*pin the cross on the steeple? Get creative!*)

Party Snack Ideas: Make yourself a "flame in a cup" with some fire-colored fruits or veggies like strawberries, oranges, carrots, and peppers.

More snack ideas:

- Have some flaming hot Cheetos!
- It's the birthday of the church... enjoy some cupcakes!
- Top crackers with orange and yellow cheese.
- The Holy Spirit is often depicted as a dove...how about Dove chocolates?





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“The moment the Spirit of the Almighty strikes the heart of him that is without God in the world, it breaks the hardness of his heart and creates all things new .”

~ John Wesley

Small Group Discussion

Introduction: Imagine you’re playing a musical instrument, but you’re not sure how to play it correctly. A friend comes alongside you, shows you the right notes to play, and helps you make beautiful music together. That’s kind of like what the Holy Spirit does when we worship God.

Scripture: In John 16:7, Jesus said, “But very truly I tell you, it is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you.” The Helper Jesus was talking about is the Holy Spirit.

- **The Holy Spirit helps us open our hearts to God**, making it possible for us to worship Him sincerely (John Wesley’s quote: “The moment the Spirit of the Almighty strikes the heart of him that is without God in the world, it breaks the hardness of his heart and creates all things new”).
- **The Holy Spirit gives us the words to pray and sing**, guiding us to express our true feelings to God (John 16:13-15).
- **Just as the Holy Spirit helps us become more like Christ**, He also helps us become more passionate and sincere in our worship.

Share: Ask if someone would share how they felt the Holy Spirit help them in their worship. (Allow responses) Examples: such as when they sang a song that seemed especially meaningful or when they felt a strong sense of joy and praise during a worship service.

Worship Songs + Actions

Turn your regular song time into a time of worship. Tell your students to ask the Holy Spirit to help them in their worship.

Choose a few simple worship songs that your children are familiar with. Consider finding them on YouTube for kids with action steps or dance steps.

As you play the music (or video) lead your kids in learning to do the motions as they sing. You may need to play the same worship song more than once the first time. (Once you learn a song and motions, consider using it again in future sessions.)

Encourage the children to think about the words and ask the Holy Spirit to help them understand and feel the meaning of the songs.



Take-Home

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Summary

Bible Passage:

Matthew 28:19

Main Point:

The Holy Spirit is our constant companion and Helper, guiding us to worship God in spirit and truth.

Discuss:

Q: Who is the Holy Spirit, and how does He help us in our daily lives?

Q: Can you think of a time when you felt the Holy Spirit helping you during worship or prayer? What Happened?

Q: Why is important to ask the Holy Spirit for help when we worship God?

Q: How can we show that we are relying on the Holy Spirit when we sing, pray, or read the Bible?

Explore the Bible

Read John 16:7, "But very truly I tell you, it is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you."

Explain: The Helper Jesus was talking about is the Holy Spirit.

Remind them that the Holy Spirit is always available to assist them in their worship, and that they can ask Him to help them express their love and gratitude to God.

Worship Journal

Provide your child with a journal with blank pages. Explain to them that your family will be writing (or drawing) in their "Worship Journal" after each lesson.

- What does this lesson teach me about worshipping God?
- How has the Holy Spirit been helping me this week?
- Are there any commands in the Bible passages we read for me to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
- Are there any promises in these passages to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
- How have I experienced worshipping God this week?

Apply and Pray

Conclusion: The Holy Spirit is our constant companion and Helper, guiding us to worship God in spirit and truth (John 4:23-24).

Prayer: Lead your family in a prayer of asking the Holy Spirit to be your Helper in worshipping and in serving Him.