



Peace



Hey kids! Today we're going to talk about something really cool called **peace**. Imagine you're playing in the park, and everything is

calm and happy. That's a bit like peace. Some people think peace is when there are no fights or wars, feeling super relaxed like when you're chilling on the beach, or just being really quiet and still.

Everyone likes to feel peaceful, right? It's like taking a big break from worrying about homework or not having to argue with your brother or sister. But sometimes, the peace we find at the beach or when we're super quiet doesn't stay with us for a long time. It's like when you're playing hide and

seek, and you find a great hiding spot, but eventually, you have to come out.

Now, here's a secret I want to share with you. There's a special kind of peace that comes from God. It's a super peace that's even better than the best day at the beach! It's like having a warm, cozy blanket around your heart that keeps you feeling safe and sound.

When the Holy Spirit gives you His fruit of peace, it's like having a superhero shield that blocks all the worries, stress, and scary things away. It's not just being quiet on the outside, but feeling super calm on the inside, like when you're snuggled up in bed listening to a bedtime story.

So, remember, even when things get a little crazy or you're feeling a bit scared, there's a peace that's a fruit of the Spirit, keeping your heart feeling happy and calm. And that's pretty awesome, isn't it?

As the wind howled and raindrops drummed, Beejay found herself caught in the chaos. She zipped and zoomed, looking for shelter, but the storm was too fast, too loud, too much. Then, she saw it—a bright red tulip, swaying gently despite the storm's rage. With a hopeful buzz, Beejay made her way to the tulip. She took a deep breath and slid down its smooth petal, like a slide at the playground. Inside, the tulip was warm and cozy, a perfect hideaway from the storm.

As Beejay nestled into the soft center of the tulip, she found something wonderful—peace. The storm raged on outside, but in her floral haven, Beejay

Power Point

Peace comes from God, is made possible by Christ, and is a fruit of the Holy Spirit.

MEMORY VERSE

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let our hearts be troubled and do not be afraid"

felt safe and calm. She learned that even in the wildest storm, peace could be found in the most unexpected places.

And so, Beejay waited out the storm, humming a happy beetune, grateful for the tulip's embrace. When the sun finally peeked through the clouds, Beejay emerged, ready to dance once again, with a new appreciation for the peace she had found.

Apply: Even when we have storms in life, God gives us the fruit of the Spirit of His peace to keep our hearts steady as we rely on Him.

Story: Beejay the Honeybee

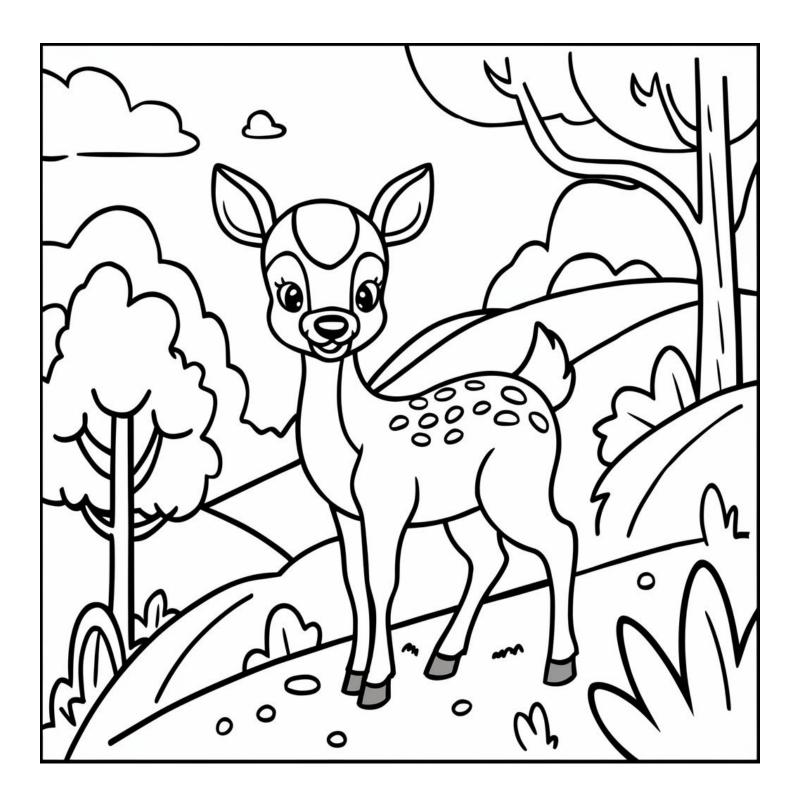


Once upon a time, in a vibrant meadow, there buzzed a little bee named Beejay. Beejay loved to dance from flower to flower, collecting nectar under the sunny sky. But one day, dark clouds rolled in, and a storm began to brew.



FRUIT OF THE SPIPING PAGE PIX

A gentle deer reminds us of peace.





Summary

Bible Passage:

John 14:27

Main Point:

Peace comes from God, is made possible by Christ, and is a fruit of the Holy Spirit.

Discuss:

Q: Why should we have peace as Christians?

Q: How is biblical peace different from the peace the world offers?

A: It never ends, it is real, it comes from our God of peace, it is always available to us as we trust in Christ, it is expected of us as believers, etc. -

A Gospel-Centered Approach:

- God is all the fruit rolled into one amazing Being.
- Jesus is all of God's attributes displayed in a single human being
- Kids will only be good when they fall in love with the good God Who loves them enough to die for them.

Explore the Bible

Read Romans 12:18.

We are commanded to live in peace with one another. What does the verse mean when it says "As far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone." Romans 12:18?

(Doing everything in our power to live at peace with

the people around us. This could mean putting aside your own feelings and opinions for the sake of promoting peace.) Are you a peacemaker in our home? Why or why not? What are ways you can change?

Family Activity

Have your kids draw or write out situations in their own lives where they want to experience the peace of God. They could also draw two contrasting pictures: a picture of chaos verses a picture of stillness and peace that comes when we trust in God.

Apply and Pray

Spend time in prayer together. Remember the specific situations your children are going through. Invite them to share if they haven't already. Praise God for the fruit of the Holy Spirit, the peace we are able to have because He lives within us.