



3PK

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BRAVE Journey: The Holy Spirit Comes

LESSON TITLE

Luke 24, John 20, Acts 1

WHERE TO FIND IT

God makes us brave.

MAIN POINT

schedule

First 10 minutes of the service hour:
Engage kids in cooperative play activities to help them connect to other kids

Next 5 minutes: Connect Time

Next 25 minutes: Large Group

Last 25 minutes: Snack and Small Group

tips

Ten minutes before you head into large group, ask kids if they have to use the restroom. It should help eliminate the number of kids who ask to go during the story.

check-in/out

Ask kids about their story bags, and what the objects inside mean. How do they remind you of the Holy Spirit?

large group heads up

Today, we're learning about the story of Pentecost, when God sent the Holy Spirit to his followers to help them do brave things!



connect time

GOAL: *Connect time is all about engaging kids in a short, interactive game to prepare them for Large Group.*

- **Clean up! (10 minutes after the service start time, when you get the 5-minute warning from the presenter)**
- Line up.
- Tell kids that today we're going to talk about bravery! So right now, we're going to practice being brave.
- Lead kids in doing the following:
 - Close your eyes and pretend it's dark, and then say, "God makes me brave!"
 - Tickle one of your arms and pretend a big is crawling on you, and then say, "God makes me brave!"
 - Rub your knee like you just got a boo-boo and it hurts, and then say, "God makes me brave!"
 - Tip toe on your feet and pretend like there's a sleeping lion next to you! Then WHISPER, "God makes me brave!"
 - Pretend to be really scared and make a scared face, and then say, "God makes me brave!"

As you walk into Large Group, encourage kids to put on their listening ears! Remind them that HOPS will be showing us how we should act in Large Group, so we have to listen!



instructions

Goal: Kids will (1) understand that Jesus sent us a special helper, the Holy Spirit and (2) recognize how God makes us brave.

Why? The Holy Spirit is an important part of our relationship with Jesus, and we want kids to be comfortable with it early on!

Tip: Some kids may be confused by the concept of the Holy Spirit, and that's okay. Just emphasize that a part of Jesus is always with us, so we're never alone!

small group

REVIEW THE STORY

1. What were Jesus' friends waiting for after Jesus left? (The special helper that he promised would come.)
2. What sound did they hear? (A big "whoooosh" like the wind)
3. What was the special helper? (The Holy Spirit: review the special motions while you say, "Holy Spirit.")
4. Was the Holy Spirit always with them? (Yes!)
5. After the helper came, what did the disciples do? (They ran out and told people about Jesus' rescue; they healed sick people and made them better; they shared Jesus with others.)
6. Can we be brave with the Holy Spirit's help too? (Yes!)

MAKE IT PERSONAL

- Hand each kid a **bag** (*paper or plastic*), a **Jesus image**, a **smiley heart eraser** and a **streamer** (Tear off a 2 foot long piece from the streamer roll.)
- Take a look at the **Jesus image** together. This reminds us of how Jesus rescued us and then sent us a special helper, the Holy Spirit!
- Tell kids to **wave their streamer** around and blow it, to remind us of how the Holy Spirit first came with a big "wooooshing" wind!
- Tell kids that the **heart eraser** reminds us that the Holy Spirit can live inside us, and help us be brave when we need it.
- **Write kids' names on their bag** and make sure to put the streamer, the Jesus image, and the heart eraser inside.

*Extra time? Give kids a **coloring sheet**. After that, play musical chairs and have kids wave their streamers around while you play the music! When you stop the music, they have to find a chair and sit down as fast as they can!*

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LARGE group

special notes

Today we'll be learning a special motion to go along with "Holy Spirit." Look ahead in the lesson and make sure to prepare how to do the motion ahead of time.

presenter tips

Kids love to be heard! Try taking your mic off your head/shirt...and walk around and let kids give answers into your mic.

script

**Click to play intro music.*

Hi Friends! Welcome to Kids' Club. I'm _____ and I'm really glad you're here today. Before we get started, I want you to meet my friend HOPS.

Video: HOPS Put On Your Listening Ears

(Holding up the **Bible** for kids to see) This is God's story. Out of all the stories in the world, this story is the most important. Do you know what it's called? (Let kids respond, "the Bible.") That's right, the Bible! It's God's Rescue plan. This book shows us how he rescued us from all the wrong things in the world.

In the beginning, God made the whole world and everything in it. He created the sun and the moon, the water and the land, the plants and the animals, and people like you and me! Everything was good. Give me a big thumbs up! (Let kids respond. Then change your tone.)

But THEN, something bad happened. Adam and Eve disobeyed God, and all the wrong things came into the world. Things like sadness and death. Show me your sad face. (Let kids respond.)

Even though Adam and Eve disobeyed God, God loved them anyway! He planned a great rescue so that Adam and Eve—and you and me—could be close to God again! Do you know who the Rescuer is? (Let kids say: Jesus!) That's right! Jesus!

INTRO: GOD SENDS HELP

After Jesus came to rescue everyone on earth, he went to live in heaven. His friends didn't know what to do without him! Can you say, "Oh no!" (Let kids respond.) Luckily, Jesus promised that he would send a special helper to his friends, to help them follow him! Can you



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say, “Woohoo!”? (Let kids respond.) Good job. I would be pretty excited if I was one of His friends. All they had to do was wait for this special helper to come. Let’s all pretend like we’re waiting around. (Check your “watch” and look around the room, hum, and sigh, etc.) They waited...and waited...and waited.

One day, they heard a big sound come from heaven! It sounded like a big wind. **(Click to play wind loop.)** Let’s all pretend to make a wind sound. Can you go, “Wooooosh!” and wave your arms around? (Let kids respond.) Very good. Finally, the special helper had come. It was called the Holy Spirit! Can you say, “Holy Spirit”? (Let kids respond.) Very good. Let’s make a special motion to help us remember the Holy Spirit. First, point up. Then, put both of you hands across your heart. Say, “Holy” (Point up.) “Spirit” (Put your hands on your heart.) Good job! Let practice a few more times (Lead kids in repeating the motions a few times.)

THE HOLY SPIRIT HELPS US BE BRAVE

The Holy Spirit came and lived in Jesus’ followers. That means that Jesus was with them all the time, just like he’s with us all the time! The Holy Spirit helped people do brave things that they couldn’t do on their own.

Let’s watch a video to see what happened after the Holy Spirit came to live inside Jesus’ friends. [As you watch, see if you can figure out how the Holy Spirit made Jesus’ friends brave!](#)

Video: God’s Story / Peter and the Other Believers

What a wonderful story! Jesus’ friends did some really brave things that they could never have done on their own. They had help from the Holy Spirit. Let’s do our motion again. (Lead kids in doing the motion from earlier while saying, “Holy Spirit.”)

First, they shared Jesus with other people, even though not everyone loved Jesus! They told people that Jesus was the Rescuer, even when they got thrown in jail! That was pretty brave, and the Holy Spirit helped them keep going. They also healed people. With the Holy Spirit, they were able to make sick people feel better! Do you think that was brave too? (Let kids respond.) Yep, it sure was.

God made them brave by sending the Holy Spirit, and he makes us brave too! I’m so glad that Jesus wants to be with us so much that he sent a special helper to be with us. Are you glad too? (Let kids respond.) Let’s all bow our heads and pray to Jesus right now.

PRAY (break into small, repeatable phrases).

Dear Jesus. Thank you for sending the Holy Spirit. Please help us to be brave. Aaaa-men!

WORSHIP

Now let’s worship Jesus by singing together, and telling him how much we love him!

Music Video: Come With Me

Song: Dance Shout and Sing

Song: Thank You Lord



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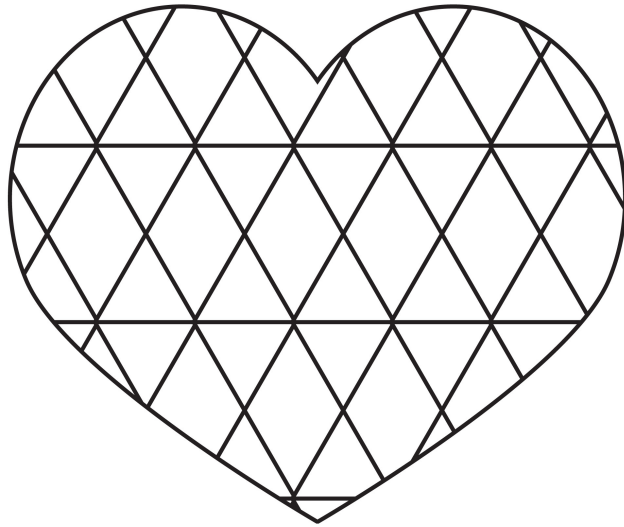
**Dismiss kids to small groups. (Be creative as you dismiss them. Ask them to come give you a high five first, or maybe tiptoe or hop--like Hops--to their groups.)*



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PREP needs



connect time supplies

Bravery Game - No supplies needed

small group supplies

Per group: Bible, markers

Per kid: Coloring pages, bag (brown paper or plastic with handle), Jesus image, smiley heart eraser (OT: IN-9/339), streamer rolls (each kid will tear off 2 ft)

large group supplies

Per Group: Bible

a/v needs

1. Song slide: for when kids enter the room (All that You Need instrumental; mp3 only; can be downloaded on website)
2. Video: HOPS 2 Put on your listening ears (<https://vimeo.com/67408013>)
3. Loop: wind
4. Video: God's Story / Peter and the other believers (<https://vimeo.com/126928525>)
5. Music Video: Come With Me (<https://vimeo.com/49923933>)
6. Song: Dance Shout and Sing
7. Song: Thank You Lord (KC/SM media videos songs>songs>songs with slides)

connect questions

Tell me about the Holy Spirit.
How does Jesus make us brave?

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