WEEK 2 - May 10, 2020

Hello 4th and 5th Grade Parents!

Here are some At Home Activities *suggestions* for you to do with your child(ren). Everyone is different, so feel free to pick any or all of these ideas to fit the needs and desires of your family. If you are unable to print these pages, just use any substitute non-print ideas. ie: draw a picture instead of color the one provided. You can also find a simplified version of the lesson on the website called "4-5TH Parent Guide".

BE SURE TO FILL OUT THE HCKIDS ONLINE CONNECTION CARD: https://hillcrestcov.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/284/responses/new

Praying you all are well and safe during our time apart! Lisa Osborne HCKids Elementary Coordinator







BIBLE STORY ACTS 2:1-41



BOTTOM LINE



YOUR CHILD WILL EARN 3 POINTS TO SPEND AT THE STORE FOR EACH COMPLETED ACTIVITY AND 10 POINTS FOR A COMPLETED "GOD TIME" ~ PLEASE EMAIL ME POINTS EARNED EACH WEEK ~

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SUGGESTED ACTIVITIES:

- 1. WATCH VIDEOS (link is on the church website)
- 2. LIFE APPLICATION ACTIVITY: "tools cards"
- 3. COLOR BIBLE STORY PICTURE and/or DRAW A PICTURE OF THE STORY
- 4. BIBLE STUDY
- 5. JOURNAL ENTRY Key Question:
- 6. PRAY TOGETHER
- 7. "GOD TIME" FOR FURTHER STUDY THROUGHOUT THE WEEK (LAST 2 PAGES)

2. Life Application Activity

What You Need: "Tool Cards" – NEXT PAGE What You Do:

- Give kid a set of "Tool Cards."
- The "Tools" are: Teacher/Coach, Parent/other adult at home, Friends, Galatians 6:9, A Reward, Praying, The Holy Spirit
- **Read** one of the "Keep Going Situations" from below.
- **Discuss** what "Tool" or "Tools" they could use to help them to keep going and finish what they started in each of the situations. (Each set of "Tool Cards" has a blank card kids can use to create an additional "Tool" they might use to keep going.)
- "Keep Going Situations" are:
 - Your sports team keeps losing. It is getting so frustrating you just want to quit. What could help you finish the season with a good attitude?
 - You don't understand the math homework. You want to just not do it! What could help you finish the homework? (*This is an opportunity to talk about seeking help rather than giving up when you don't understand something.*)
 - Cleaning your room is so boring. You don't care if it messy, but your dad does. What can help you finish jobs that are boring?
 - Two of your friends are mad at each other, and you are caught in the middle. What helps you to be kind to both of them?
- [Make it Personal] (Be prepared to share an example from your own life when you used one the "Tools" to show determination.)

Ask:

- **Encourage** sharing about a time they wanted to give up but they didn't. What helped them keep going?
- Read: But the Father will send the Friend in my name to help you. The Friend is the Holy Spirit. He will teach you all things. He will remind you of everything I have said to you. (John 14:26, NIrV)
 - We often talk about how God is with us, but this verse really hammers it home. God is with us via His Holy Spirit; He sent something specific to help us.
 - o How does it feel to know that God is with you in a specific and intentional way?
 - What can you do to remember this verse and let it encourage you when you get worn out?
- What current situation are you in right now that you need to access some determination for?
- Ask: The Spirit helped Peter to speak boldly about Jesus to a huge crowd of people; the Spirit helped Peter show determination. How can the Spirit help us? (*If necessary, prompt kids using an example from the Take a Snapshot activity. For example: How can the Spirit help you have a good attitude even when you team keeps losing?*)



What to Do: Print and cut along the dashed lines.

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3. Color picture and/or draw picture of Bible story.



- 4. Bible study
 - Look up these "Spirit" Scriptures in the Bible:
 - John 14:16-17
 - John 14:26
 - John 16:13
 - Galatians 5:22
 - Colossians 1:9
 - Acts 1:8
 - **Discuss** what each verse says about the Holy Spirit.
 - Below are the references and potential answers based on the NIrV translation:
 - o John 14:16-17
 - (Friend, helps you, is with you forever, Spirit of Truth, lives in and with followers of Christ)
 - o John 14:26
 - (Friend, teaches us and reminds us of what Jesus says)
 - o John 16:13
 - (Spirit of truth, guides you in all truth)
 - o Galatians 5:22
 - (the Spirit gives us joy, love and peace, It helps us be patient, kind, good and faithful)
 - Colossians 1:9
 - (gives wisdom and understanding)
 - o Acts 1:8
 - (gives power and helps you tell people about Jesus)
 - **Explain** that sometimes it is hard to keep going and to not get tired of "doing good." Sometimes being nice to your sister is exhausting or sometimes studying your social studies facts is tiring.
 - Ask:
 - What are other examples of times you might get tired of "doing good?
 - How do you actually get the Holy Spirit's help?
 - (prayer, reading Scripture, asking for others to pray for you)

5. JOURNAL ENTRY

• WRITE THE ANSWER TO THIS Key Question: What helps you keep going?

Talk to God about it. Ask Him to give you a Bible verse that helps you with trusting God to help you even when it's hard to keep going. Write down anything He says to you about your situation.

OTHER JOURNALING SUGGESTIONS:

- WRITE OR DRAW ABOUT THE BIBLE STUDY -
- WRITE A PRAYER ABOUT THE BOTTOM LINE





6. Pray Together

What You Need: A flameless votive or a flashlight with red tissue over the lens

What You Do:

- Gather in a circle.
- **Think** of a situation where you need help to keep going and show determination.
- Start the prayer by saying:
 - God, we want to be bold! Just like the Holy Spirit helped Peter boldly tell the crowd about Jesus, we need the Spirit to help us. There will be times we will be tired of doing good, there will be times when we need Your help to show determination.
- **Pass** the candle or flashlight around the circle and have each person pray out loud or silently while holding the light.
- After the candle goes around the circle, **close** by thanking Jesus for the gift of the Holy Spirit to help us.

7. "GOD TIME" FOR FURTHER STUDY THROUGHOUT THE WEEK (LAST 2 PAGES) ~WORTH 10 POINTS~



Day 5

Pick a spot where you can draw something—a place you'll see often throughout your day. It could be using a dry erase marker on your bedroom mirror, a piece of paper stuck to your fridge, or even a washable marker on the back of your hand.

Now, draw a fire, the flames bold and bright.

Every time you see this fire, remember that you are not alone. Just as Jesus sent the Holy Spirit like tongues of a fire to equip His disciples to the task He called them to, He has given you everything you need to accomplish His will too.

Anytime things seem impossible, focus on the flames and ask God to show you how He is with you, empowering you, and giving you what you need to keep going. Then do it. Just keep going and finish what you've started.



Day 1

Go to Studio252.tv and watch this week's episode of The So & So Show. (Click on Fun2Watch! then The So & So Show.)

Even if you already saw it at church, feel free to check it out again!

SO & SO TOP 3

After watching, write one thing that . . .

1) YOU LIKED: _

2) YOU LEARNED:

3) YOU'D LIKE TO KNOW: __

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Day 2

Read Acts 2:1-6, 36-41

As you read Acts 2:1-6, imagine each event unfolding.

You're hanging out with your friends, celebrating what God has done.

A loud sound enters the room. It sounds like a strong wind, but in no time, it fills the entire house with the sound.

Then something that looks like fire appears on the heads of your friends. Wait, do I have one too? What IS this?

You begin to speak in a language you've never once studied. But how? And why?

But then suddenly, you know. This was the gift Jesus had promised He would send after He went back to be with God. This is what He is sending you so you can do what seemed impossible: tell the world about Him.

Now read Acts 2:36-41 to see what Peter and the disciples were able to do through the power of the Holy Spirit!

And here's the best part: we too receive the gift of the Holy Spirit when we put our trust in Jesus. It doesn't look the same as when the disciples received the gift for the first time (don't worry—no fire involved!), but it still means that you've got all the power with the Holy Spirit's help to accomplish whatever seemingly impossible task God has given you!

Day3

Talk to God about something you're facing right now that seems impossible. As you pray, walk around either outside in your backyard or even just inside your room. Don't stop moving the entire time you're praying.

Tell God:

- What you're facing that seems impossible
- Why it seems impossible
- How you feel about it
- How you need His help to keep going

Lastly, end your prayer by thanking God for His presence and His power. When you're done praying, you can stop walking. But even after you stop walking, keep going toward what seems impossible, and remember God will give you what you need to keep going.

Day 4

Who is the most determined person you know? Maybe it's someone who has accomplished some things that seem impossible to you. Or maybe they've had to overcome some really hard obstacles in their life, but they've never given up.

Reach out to that person today and ask them what helps them keep going no matter what—how do they keep working, moving toward their goal? Is what helps them keep going something that you can use on your journey toward your own seemingly impossible goal?

