



Series Overview: There is a legacy waiting, for every kid everywhere. The legacy has been handed down like a valuable family heirloom and this month you'll get to tell kids about what that legacy is! The Holy Spirit is the legacy that Jesus gives to every person who believes. The Holy Spirit is for everyone and helps us so much. The Holy Spirit help us know God, love everyone, do God's work, and makes us a part of God's family.

Bible Story: More People Believe in Jesus: Acts 10:44-48; (1 John 5:1-6)

Big Idea: The Holy Spirit helps us love everyone.

Series Memory Verse: "For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God." –Romans 8:14

Lesson Guide:

1. Dance and sing with your child to these songs.

- If I Were a Butterfly: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KaLzudhlxxk>
- Follow Me: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jyHla0hmPfg>
- Love One Another: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LYIkcoAflU4>

2. Show this video to teach the Bible story.

<https://vimeo.com/532284013/a67c847e4d>

3. Review the Bible story like this:

***Supplies = Bible**

- Open the Bible to Acts 10 to show your family where today's story comes from.
- Today, we are going to talk about a Roman army officer named Cornelius who lived a long time ago.
- One day he was praying and had a vision (*have your family fold their hands and bow their heads like they are praying and then have them open their eyes and make a wow! face*), almost like a dream, of an angel telling me to go find someone named Peter because he had a special message for him.
- So, Cornelius sent out some people who work for him to go look for Peter. (*Have your family stand up and walk around saying, "Peter, where are you?" Once everyone is seated again continue with the story*). While Cornelius' men were looking for Peter, he gathered his whole family and all his friends so we could all hear the special message that the angel said Peter would bring.
- Now, what Cornelius didn't know is that Peter had visions and was told by the Holy Spirit that Cornelius' workers were looking for him! So, when they came to find him, he was not at all surprised.
- Which is odd because Peter was a Jew and Cornelius was a Roman. Back in Bible times, Jews and Romans did not like each other! (*Have your family punch one hand with the other hand and make a mean face*). But Peter told Cornelius that God's love is for everybody! (*Have your family get up and hug each other over and over or one at a time.*) Not just for Jewish people like him or Roman soldiers like Cornelius, but for the entire world.
- When Cornelius heard this news, do you know what he did?
- He jumped up and down in happiness! Right then and there, I decided to believe in Jesus, and received the Holy Spirit. (*Have your family jump up and down with happiness*).
- It became very clear for Peter and his Jewish friends that God loves everyone, and gives the Holy Spirit to anyone who believes in Jesus! (*Have your family jump up and down with happiness again*).
- Have the kids say the Big Idea with you: The Holy Spirit helps us love everyone.

4. Bible Story Review Activity:

- Find the 8 differences in the two pictures at the top of the next page with your family.



- Great job finding the differences in the pictures!
- Did you know that God has made all people unique? We all have differences, and those differences make us special! God made each person exactly the way they are, and God loves that about us . . . no matter what anyone thinks!
- We can love others because **the Holy Spirit helps us love everyone.**

5. Memory Verse Practice:

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- Look up Romans 8:14 in the Bible and read it to/ with your family.
- Practice saying the verse with your family.
- Show your family the following picture of a train.



- Talk to them about how all the train cars follow the train engine...similar to how God's children follow the Holy Spirit.
- Tell your family that you guys are going to form a Love Train.
- Have everyone line up holding each other's shoulder one behind the other.
- Point out which person is the engine.
- Have them walk around saying, "chuggachuggachugga...CHOO! CHOO!"
- Then add in having them say the memory verse together as the train continues down the track (around your house or outside).
- Once they say the verse a few times, have the first person in line say a way that they could show love to their family this week.
- Then have that person go to the back of the train to be the caboose.
- Have everyone go back to making train noises and saying the verse all together.
- Then ask the new engine to say a way they could show love to their friends.
- After they do, have them go to the back of the train to be the caboose.
- Repeat, and ask the new engine how they could show love to people they don't know very well.
- Continue until everyone has had the chance to be the leader (the engine of the train) and tell a way to show love.
- Finish by saying something like this: We can't just say we love someone. We have to do something to show that we love them. It's not easy but it's not impossible. You know why? The Holy Spirit helps us love everyone.

6. Pray with your family.