

# Pentecost Sunday: Acts 2

## 31<sup>st</sup> May 2020

### Activity Ideas

**Passage:** Acts 2

**Main Point:** God sent us the Holy Spirit who helps us to live like Jesus

#### Craft

Tongues of fire headbands

1. Cut out 'flame' shapes from red, orange and yellow card and stick onto each other as in picture

Or cut out one large flame shape and decorate with scrunched up bits of tissue paper or cellophane

Or print out stencil below and decorate or colour in

2. Cut out headbands from card to fit kid's heads
3. Write on headband: "God sent us the Holy Spirit who helps us to live like Jesus" and decorate headband
4. Attach flames to headband
5. Staple headband to fir around kids head (cover staples with sticky tape for safety)

Tongues of fire bookmark

1. Print stencil below
2. Stick bible verse and flames onto coloured card as in picture
3. Decorate and colour in



#### Songs

Have a listen to:

- Sovereign grace kids 'Our help'
- Colin Buchanan 'God united'

And make up some actions. Why not film them and have Mum or Dad send them to [charlotte@stalbans.org.au](mailto:charlotte@stalbans.org.au)?

### Discussion questions:

Watch the talk and then discuss the following questions

1. What does it mean to be a Christian? What is the job of a Christian?  
(Someone who trusts in Jesus to save them. To try to be like Jesus.)
2. Is this something a Christian can do all by themselves?  
(No, we need a helper)
3. Who helps Christians to live like Jesus?  
(The Holy Spirit)
4. What are some of the ways the Holy Spirit helps us to live as Jesus lived?  
(Head- understand the Bible, heart -love other people even when it's hard like God does, hands -tell people about Jesus)

Extension questions:

5. Read Acts 1:4-8.
  - a. What are we first told about the Holy Spirit?  
(gift, promised from God, spoken about by Jesus, comes in us, receive power)
  - b. Why does Jesus promise to give us the Holy Spirit from God?  
(help us to live like Jesus, understand the Bible, love others, tell others about Jesus)
  - c. Why can't be like Jesus on our own?  
(cannot perfectly follow Jesus' example, sinful, still need help to live as God's people now)

### Prayer Ideas

Remind kids of concept of 'SPA' prayers – this is a concept they should be familiar with from KidsZone

- **Sorry**
  - Kids can find confessional prayer especially difficult, try modelling it by confessing your own sin to God
  - Explain how saying sorry is part of repentance. Turning away from sin and turning back towards God.
- **Praise**
  - "I thank you and praise you God that you kept your promise of sending the Spirit to help us be more like Jesus"
- **Ask**

Repeated prayer

- Dear God --- we are sorry --- that we ignore --- and disobey you. --- Thankyou that --- you sent Jesus --- so that we can be --- forgiven and saved --- Thank you that --- you sent the Spirit --- to help us be --- more like Jesus. --- Amen

Around the world prayers

- Print out pictures of or collect objects/figures from different parts of the world. Could even head to the CMS website and pray for WA missionaries around the world.
- Encourage children to select from different parts of the world and pray for people there.
  - "Father God, please help people who live in... to repent, to turn away from sin and turn back towards you. Amen

Our Church family

- Why not reach out to a member of the St Albans family to ask them how you can be praying for them and do this as a family.

**Resources – if there's anything you don't have at home or can't get yourself please let Charlotte know ASAP and she'll try and get things to you**

- Craft
  - Craft 1
    - Red, orange and yellow card
    - Scissors
    - Glue
    - Stapler and sticky tape
    - Optional: red, yellow and orange tissue paper/cellophane
  - Craft 2
    - Stencil (see below)
    - Scissors
    - Glue
    - Colouring implements
    - Optional: stickers or other decorating things
- Prayer
  - Pictures, objects or figures from different parts of the world.





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