

Journal Page



- What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
- What does this story teach me about myself?
- Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
- Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
- How does this story help me to live on mission better?

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS

- Who is the Holy Spirit?
- How do we receive the Holy Spirit? (See Acts 2:38.)
- How does the Holy Spirit help us?

The Holy Spirit Came

Acts 2

STORY POINT: GOD KEPT HIS PROMISE TO SEND THE HOLY SPIRIT.

On the day of Pentecost, Jesus' disciples were gathered together. All of a sudden, a sound came from heaven. Then tongues appeared like flames of fire, and they rested on each of the disciples. The disciples were filled with the Holy Spirit, and the Holy Spirit gave them the ability to speak in languages they didn't even know!

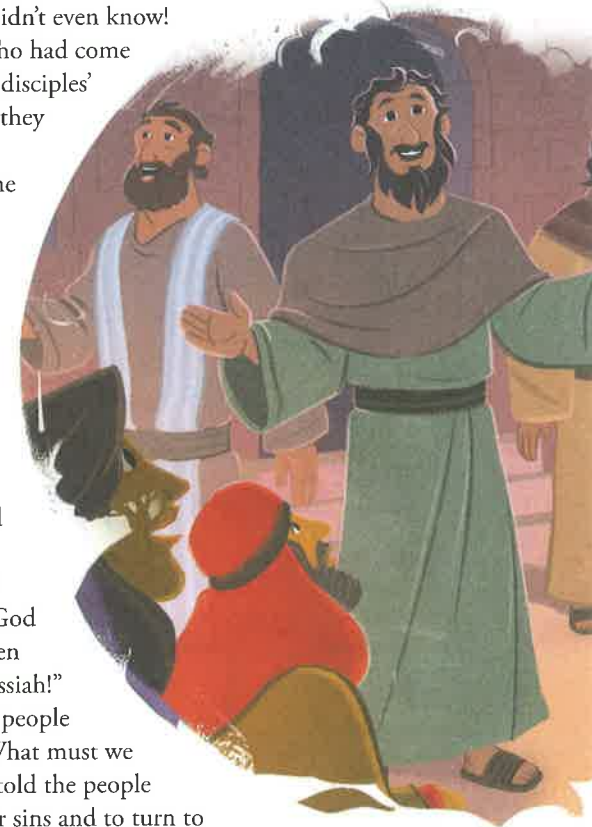
Now, Jews were in Jerusalem who had come from every nation. They heard the disciples' voices in their own languages, and they were amazed!

Peter stood up and reminded the people of something the prophet Joel had said long ago: "God says, 'I will pour out My Spirit on all people ... Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.'"

Peter said, "Even though God planned for Jesus to die, you used lawless people to nail Him to a cross and kill Him. But God raised Jesus from the dead."

Then Peter said, "Jesus is alive! He went up to heaven to be with God the Father." Peter continued, "When you killed Jesus, you killed the Messiah!"

The Holy Spirit convinced the people that Peter was telling the truth. "What must we do to be saved?" they asked. Peter told the people to repent—to turn away from their sins and to turn to God. Everyone who believed Peter's message was baptized. That day, about three thousand people joined Jesus' followers.

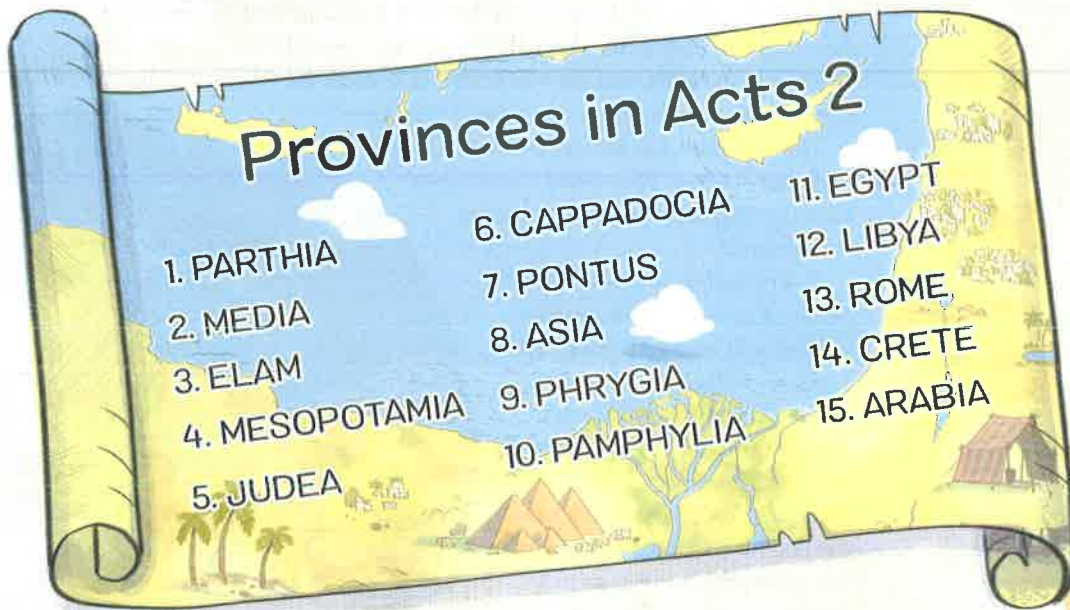


Christ Connection: God kept His promise to send the Holy Spirit. With the Holy Spirit's help, Jesus' disciples could begin their work to share the gospel with the entire world. God gives the Holy Spirit to everyone who trusts in Jesus as Lord and Savior.

For the Nations

Use the code to discover what happened in Acts 2.

Key: (2,5) = second province, fifth letter (A)



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The Jews were amazed to hear the disciples speaking in their own languages.

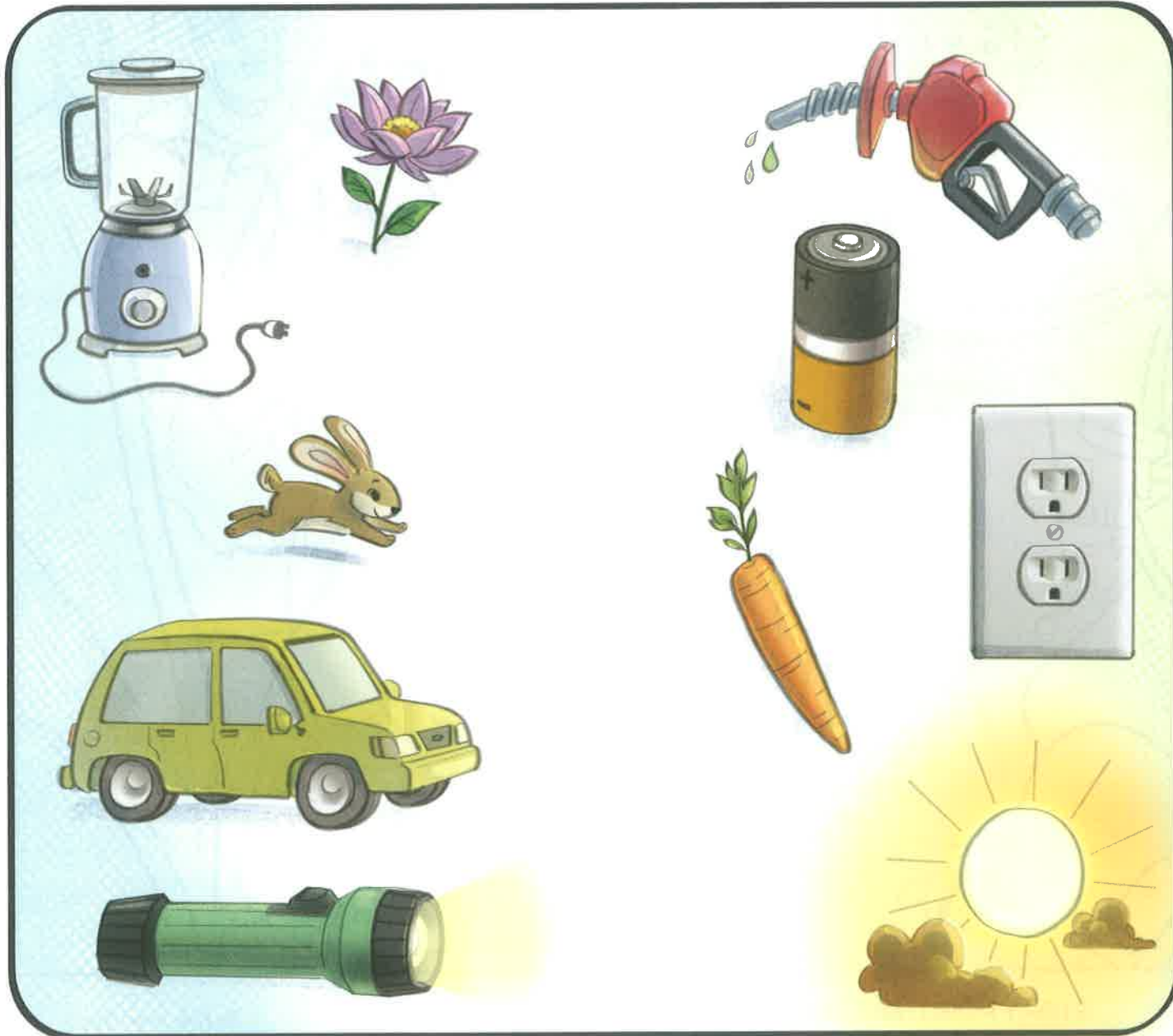
Pentecost Pictures

Number the events in the order they happened.

4,7	1,5	11,1	9,2	7,2	12,1	10,6			
8,2	6,3	2,4	14,2	15,5	14,4	6,1	5,5	3,4	13,4

Power Surge

INSTRUCTIONS: Match each item to the power source that makes it work.



BIBLE STORY SUMMARY:

- Jesus' disciples stayed in Jerusalem, as Jesus commanded.
- God kept His promise to send the Holy Spirit.
- The Holy Spirit gave the disciples power to preach the good news of Jesus—even in languages they had never learned!
- Many people heard the gospel and believed it.

KEY PASSAGE: 2 Peter 1:3

BIG PICTURE QUESTION:

- How does the Holy Spirit help Christians? The Holy Spirit comforts us, shows us our sin, and guides us as we live for God's glory.

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:

- Describe a time you felt the Holy Spirit leading you to do something.
- Who does the Holy Spirit live within?

FAMILY ACTIVITY:

- Use an online translation tool to find various ways to tell someone "Jesus loves you." Review the Bible story with your family and remind them that the Holy Spirit helped the apostles speak new languages.



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