VOIY SPIRIT DISCOVERY

LESSON 2

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Lesson Objective:

In this lesson, kids will learn that the Holy Spirit is our helper, comforter, teacher and friend.

Bottom Line:

The Holy Spirit helps us with everything we might need help with

Bible Foundation:

John 14-16

Teacher Insights:

"The Holy Spirit does not only minister in the capacity of representing the Father and the Son. He also has a personal, distinct ministry of His own. We realize that the Holy Spirit has had a personal ministry through the ages, yet it can be said that His personal ministry in this age has its separate and positive distinctions." (Nathaniel M. Van Cleave, Guy P. Duffield, and Luther U. Meier, from *Declaration of Faith, Unit Two*, p. 18, International Church of the Foursquare Gospel, Foursquare Publications, 1983.)

Of the many names of the Holy Spirit used in the Bible (there are 90 distinct references to the Holy Spirit in the Old Testament alone!), this lesson explains 4 names and ministries of the Holy Spirit that relate to kids. Those names are: Our Helper, Our Comforter, Our Teacher and Our Friend.

Discussion Questions:

For individual study of the teacher or for application as you teach:

- 1. Why the Holy Spirit is called the Helper? What does He help us with? He helps us to live for Christ. He helps us with everything we might need help in.
- 2. This verse can also read that Holy Spirit is our Comforter. How does the Holy Spirit comfort us? He brings God's love, joy, and peace.



- **3.** The Holy Spirit is called the Spirit of Truth and He convicts or convinces us of the truth. What does the Spirit of truth want to do in you? He is truth and desires us to live out the truth of God's Word in our lives. He tell us what is right.
- **4.** What does "teach you ALL things," mean? The Holy Spirit will teach us and help us with ANYTHING in life that we need help with (school work, remembering what Jesus said, living for Christ, etc.)
- 5. Let's pray and invite the Holy Spirit to be all of these things to us.

Memory Verse: (see pages 3 and 4)

"But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you." John 14:26

Object Talk:

Banners of Truth (see page 5)

Skit:

Have different people act out situations in which they need to call on the Holy Spirit to help them. Act out how The Holy Spirit (put a sign on one of the actors that says, "Holy Spirit") comes along side to help.

Activities:

Game – Guess the Title (see page 6)

Craft – Drinking Straw Pictures (see page 7)

Handout – Crossword Puzzle (see pages 8 and 9)

Take Home:

Reinforce learning from this lesson using the Take Home summary. (see page 10)





Memory Verse

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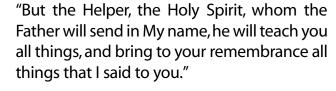
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Memory Verse Activity:

Display on paper and have students look up in there Bibles John 14:26. Have a volunteer read the verse aloud. Divide students into several groups. Assign each group one of the phrases of the verses. Lead groups in saying the phrases in order, standing up as they say the phrases.

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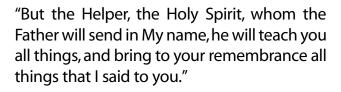


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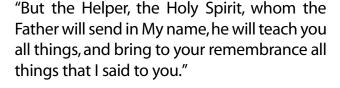


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Object Talk

Banners Of Truth

Theme:

What Does The Holy Spirit Do?

Teaching Point:

The Holy Spirit is described in the Bible by different names that tell us what He is able to do in our lives.

Supplies:

Banners with words (painted or printed from a computer) describing the works of the Holy Spirit.

Scripture:

"But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you." (John 14:26).

Instructions:

Have teachers hold banners with different things that the Holy Spirit does (i.e. Counselor, Teacher, Comforter, Counselor, Helper, etc.). Have each teacher explain his or her banner and a brief description of what their banner means.

Something fun:

As the teachers hold out their banners to the kids, call out the names that are on the banners. When each teacher hears their banner called, they have to hold their banner up and then put it back down. Go faster and faster (someone is bound to forget which banner they are holding).

Prayer:

"Lord, help us to always remember all of the things that You are able to do in our lives because of who You are, In Jesus name, Amen!"





Game

Guessing the Title

Teaching point:

This game helps us to recognize what the Holy Spirit does by identifying what His titles are. Once we learn what He is able to do in our lives, we will be able to call on Him to help us in every life situation.

Supplies:

Poster flash cards

Instructions:

Instructions: Have kids try to guess which title of the work of the Holy Spirit is being described from poster flash cards. For example, one of the descriptions may be, "Some people pay a lot of money to see one of these (a counselor).



Craft

Drinking Straws Pictures

Teaching point:

God has sent the Holy Spirit to be with us always, to be our Helper, Comforter and Teacher. Put your craft in a place where you will see it everyday. It will serve as a reminder of His gift to us.

Supplies

Drinking StrawsCard StockTacky GlueScissorsPencilTape

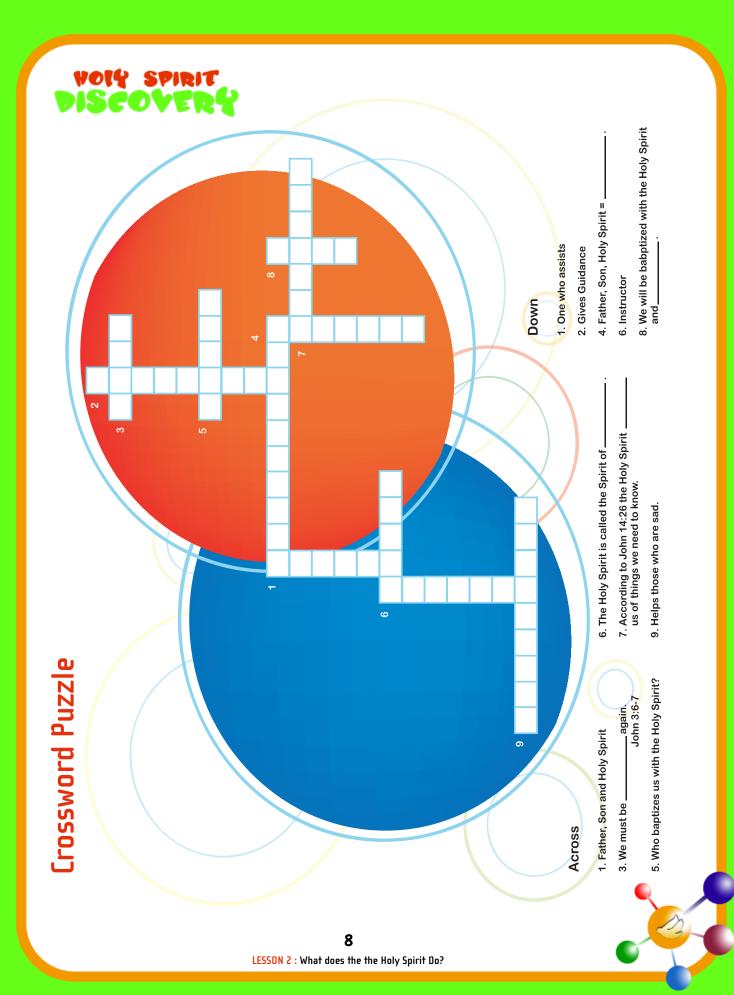
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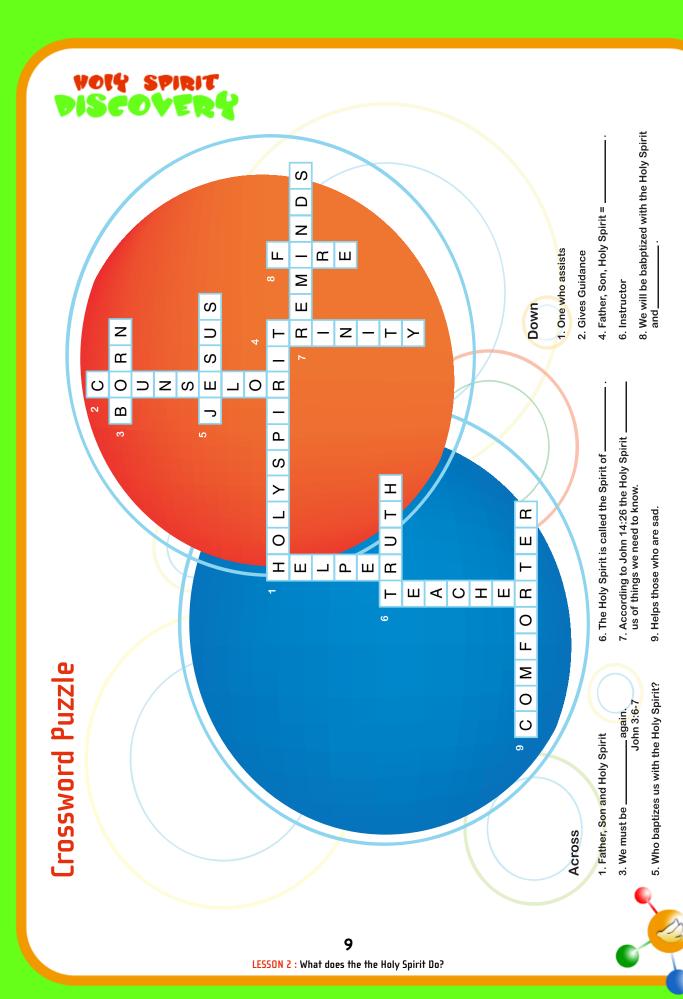
- 1. Print on card stock different ways to describe the Holy Spirit. Comforter, Helper, Teacher, Spirit of Truth.
- 2. Cut straws in small pieces
- **3.** Glue straws onto the words on card stock.
- **4.** Use a hole punch and thread string to allow the picture to hang up once dry.

Suggestions:

- 1. Use different colored straws
- 2. Add textures by adding feathers, sandpaper, sand, macaroni, etc.









Take Home

Bottom Line week 2

The Holy Spirit help: us with everything we might need help with.

Talk Ahout It

Talk about these questions as a family on your way home or during a meal.

Kid's Question: Why is the Holy Spirit Called the Helper?

Parent's Question: How has the Holy Spirit been your helper?

Memory Verse

"But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you." John 14:26 We are learning about: THE HOLY SPIRIT

What Does The Holy Spirit Do? **Today's Bible Story is:**The Holy Spirit is our helper,
Comforter, Teacher
and friend

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