

FIVE-DAY OVERVIEW

Catch the Spirit! Join God's Work in the World

From the beginning of creation, God's Spirit has been on the move. People today, like Jesus' followers in the Bible, are invited to join the action! The power of the Holy Spirit causes the church to grow, and amazing things to happen. People live together in new ways. They speak up with boldness to share the good news, learn to resolve their differences, and do the right thing. God's Spirit gives them gifts to serve others.

Catch the Spirit! invites children to join the movement of the Holy Spirit in their lives, in the church, and with God's people around the world.

DAY	TEXT	THEME	FAITH FOCUS	BIBLE STORY SUMMARY
1	Acts 1:1-2:12	What's Happening?	The Holy Spirit came to Jesus' followers at Pentecost and comes to us and the church today.	On Pentecost Day, the Holy Spirit descended on Jesus' followers. They spoke about Jesus in many languages, with amazing results. It marked the beginning of the Christian church.
2	Acts 2:37-47	Be Church	The Holy Spirit teaches us to live together as Jesus' followers.	When the Holy Spirit came, the believers boldly shared the good news of Jesus. Many people were baptized. The church grew as people lived their faith in visible and surprising ways.
3	Acts 8:4-8, 26-40	Speak Up	The Holy Spirit nudges us to share the good news of Jesus.	Philip shared the good news about Jesus in Samaria, preaching and healing many. With the Holy Spirit's urging, Philip helped a man from Ethiopia understand the scripture text he was reading, and then baptized him as a new believer.
4	Acts 6:1-6	Trouble	The Holy Spirit gives us wisdom to do the right thing.	Some believers complained that the food was not being distributed fairly. After talking it over together, the church appointed deacons to take charge of this task. The church rejoiced and prayed for the new leaders.
5	Acts 3:1-10; 9:36-43; 15:35-41; 16:11-15	Join the Action	We join the action of the Holy Spirit in the world.	Peter, Dorcas, Barnabas, and Lydia were moved by the Holy Spirit to use their gifts to serve the church.

Memory Verses: Day 1—Acts 1:8; Day 2—Galatians 5:22, 23a; Day 3—Acts 4:31b; Day 4—Galatians 5:25; Day 5—2 Corinthians 13:14

Memory Challenge for Older Children: Acts 2:43-47 (Middler); Galatians 5:22-26 (Junior Youth)

JOIN THE ACTION! ACTIVITIES

The Church Is . . .

Creating	Playing
Feasting	Sharing
Gathering	Singing
Healing	Stretching
Moving	Telling . . . in Thailand (<i>Mission project</i>)