

At-A-Glance: Ages 4-5 Prophets & Promises Part 1: Acts - Revelation Unit 1, Lesson 1

The Promise of the Holy Spirit

Lesson Aim: To know that sometimes we must wait for God's gifts.

THE WELCOME

TREASURE CHEST

WHISPER VERSE AND SIGN LANGUAGE: "Wait for the gift."

THE WORSHIP THE SPIRIT WHO GIVES US POWER

Sing Bible Memory Verse and other related songs.

It's Praise Time—our time to sing praise to the Holy Spirit. Jesus promised His friends He would send the gift of the Holy Spirit who would give them power. Jesus told them to wait for the gift. That is today's Whisper Verse: "Wait for the gift." Let's try it together now. Review Whisper Verse together: "Wait for the gift." Include sign language.

The Holy Spirit is God. God is three in one: God is the Father, the Son (Jesus), and the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit points us to God. He helps us know what God wants us to do. One of the great things God wants us to do is to give our offering to His church. Let's praise Him while we give our offering. Sing: "Let Everything That Has Breath" while collecting the offering.

OFFERING: Collect the offering.

When we do great things, it is not by our own might or power, but by the power of the Holy Spirit. Let's sing our new Bible Memory Verse Song about that. Sing: "Not by Might."

WORSHIP ILLUSTRATION: *The Adventures of Delbert & Lello* puppet script or storybook

Jesus promised to send the Holy Spirit to be with believers forever. The followers waited for the gift of the Holy Spirit because they knew God always keeps His promises. Let's celebrate that. Sing: "I Am with You" and "The Lord Is Faithful."

THE WORD JESUS IS TAKEN UP CLASSROOM PROMISE

Last time, we learned God showed baby Jesus to the wise men. Today, we will hear what happened after Jesus grew up. Jesus promised to send a gift to His friends. Handle Bible as a special treasure, leaving it open to Acts 1:9.

WATCH THE WORD: ACTS 1:4-11

Read poem. Display visual.

- > Jesus was born as a gift from God.
- > He gave His life to save everyone.
- > He rose again and promised His friends:
- "Wait for the gift of the Spirit to come."
- Then Jesus was taken up into heaven,
- > Everyone stared up at the clouds.
- > Two men said, "Why are you looking up there?"
- > In the same way, one day He'll come back down!"

What did Jesus tell His friends to do? (Wait for the gift.) Our Whisper Verse tells us the answer. Let's say it together: "Wait for the gift." Include sign language or hand motions.

How did Jesus go back to heaven? (He was taken up into heaven; a cloud hid Him from sight.) Let's find our answer in the Bible. Read Acts 1:9 from the teacher's Bible.

THE WAY WAITING AND TRUSTING GOD

CRAFT: Wait for the Gift

GAMES: Wait for the Gift. Up and Down

SNACK: Marshmallow Clouds

CIRCLE OF PRAYER FINAL FIVE MINUTES

- COMPLETED CRAFT
- PONDER, PRAY & PLAY
- COLOR THIS STORY

GOT TIME?

SAY & DO: Acts 1:4-11

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: Cloud Hop, God's Blanket for Us

STORY TIME