

At-A-Glance: Ages 6-7
Prophets & Promises Part 1: Acts - Revelation
Unit 1, Lesson 1

# The Promise of the Holy Spirit

Lesson Aim: To know the Holy Spirit's power helps us to be witnesses.

## **THE WELCOME**

MEET & GREET: What is the best promise you have ever been given?

**GAME:** I Witness

### **THE WORSHIP** THE SPIRIT WHO GIVES US POWER

Read Worship Scripture: Psalm 145:13.

Sing songs and worship God. Bless and collect the offering.

Perform Commander Cosmos script or read storybook.

#### **THE WORD** JESUS MAKES A PROMISE

Children sign note cards; place in Golden Bowl. Classroom Covenant.

Review: Jesus was recognized as the King God had promised to send.

If a Bible Timeline is available, point out Jesus Ascends (Circa 33 A.D.) **Just before Jesus was taken into heaven, He promised to send the Holy Spirit to give power to the apostles—the 12 disciples Jesus chose to be His first witnesses. He told them to wait in Jerusalem.** Point out Jerusalem. Reveal Bible Story Scripture Reference: Acts 1:3-11. Pray. Read.

### **THE WAY** BEING A WITNESS

What did Jesus tell the apostles to do in Jerusalem? (Stay in Jerusalem and wait for the gift of the Holy Spirit.) Jesus promised the Spirit would give them power to be His witnesses. A witness is someone who has seen something and then tells others about it. If you had been there to witness Jesus' life, death, resurrection, and return to heaven, what might you have told others about Jesus?

Jesus proved to His witnesses that day:

1. JESUS IS ALIVE. Jesus proved to the apostles that He had risen from the dead when they saw Him, spoke with Him, and ate with Him. As I reread Acts 1:3-5, raise your hand each time you hear proof Jesus had risen from the dead and is alive. Read Acts 1:3-5.

- 2. JESUS IS NOW IN HEAVEN. Where is Jesus now? (In heaven.) Who saw Him disappear behind the clouds? (The apostles.)
- **3. JESUS WILL COME AGAIN. What did the two men who suddenly appeared say to everyone staring up into the clouds?** (Jesus will return one day in the same way He left.)

#### **GAME: PARTNER CLAP**

The apostles were witnesses for Jesus. What did they see Jesus do after He rose from the grave? (He appeared to them, spoke, and ate with them. Then, He was taken up to heaven.) For forty days all were amazed. He proved He was alive and then was raised. Let's play a clapping game to remember that. Pairs stand and face each other. Chant and clap the rhythm below. Say it faster each time.

For	Pat own thighs	He	Pat own thighs
for -	Clap	proved	Clap
ty	Right hands meet	He was	Right hands meet
days	Clap	alive	Clap
all	Left hands meet	and	Left hands meet
were	Clap	then	Clap
a -	Both hands meet	was	Both hands meet
mazed.	Clap	raised.	Clap

#### **CHRIST CONNECTION:**

700 years before Jesus was taken up into heaven, the Lord spoke about His witnesses through the prophet Isaiah. His witnesses have seen He is God. Reveal Isaiah 43:12. Read.

**THE GOLDEN BOWL:** Pray for individuals. Pray the Lord's Prayer.

#### **FINAL FIVE MINUTES:**

- TREASURE TREAT: Witness Card and a small pencil
- DAILY WAY CHALLENGE
- OFFERING OF ART: The followers watching Jesus being taken up into the clouds
- PRAYER REQUESTS
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

#### **GOT TIME?**

**SNACK:** Into the Clouds **GAME:** Witness to the World **CRAFT:** God's Promises Box

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: Memory Verse Hand Motions,

Around the World

**BIBLE TIMELINE REVIEW**