



At-A-Glance: Ages 8-9  
Prophets & Promises Part 1: Acts - Revelation  
Unit 1, Lesson 2

## Pentecost: The Holy Spirit Comes

Lesson Aim: To know that all who believe in Jesus receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

### THE WELCOME

**MEET & GREET:** What other language would you like to learn?

**GAME:** Gallinita Ciega (The Blind Hen)

### THE WORSHIP THE SPIRIT WHO GIVES US POWER

Read Worship Scripture: Philippians 2:9-11.

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

Perform Commander Cosmos script or read storybook.

### THE WORD THE HOLY SPIRIT COMES

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

Review: Jesus promised to send the Holy Spirit.

If a Bible Timeline is available, point out The Holy Spirit Comes. **Today, we will learn what happened when God sent the Holy Spirit.** Point out Jerusalem. **Jewish people from all around the world were celebrating the Pentecost festival to remember when God gave Moses the Ten Commandments. It was also called Shavuot or the Festival of Weeks. On the day of Pentecost, the Holy Spirit came just as Jesus had promised.** Reveal Bible Story Scripture Reference: Acts 2:1-8, 32-33, 36-39, 41. Find It First. Highlight Key Verse: Acts 2:38-39. Pray. Read.

### THE WAY THE GIFT OF THE SPIRIT

**What did the apostles see and hear when the Holy Spirit came that day?** (The sound of a mighty wind, what seemed to be tongues of flickering fire resting on each apostle.) **The fire did not burn them.**

**The wind and fire showed the power of the Holy Spirit. They also saw His power when they spoke in many different tongues (languages). It was a miracle because these men were speaking in languages they had never even heard before. Can you imagine the sound of the roaring wind and of people talking in so many languages?**

**Can any of you speak more than one language or words from other languages? Why do you think it was important for people to hear about Jesus in their own language?**

**What do you think the visitors might have told their families and friends when they returned to their own lands?** (They might have talked about the apostles and the Holy Spirit or shared the news about Jesus the Savior.) **How many people believed and were baptized that day?** (About 3,000.) **Imagine how many more believed when these visitors returned to their own nations to tell others about Jesus.**

### CHRIST CONNECTION:

**When the apostles began declaring the wonders of God in many different languages, the crowd was amazed. They wondered what this miracle meant. Peter explained God was keeping the promises He had made 800 years earlier through the prophet Joel. Reveal Joel 2:28a, 32a. Find It First. Highlight. Read.**

**What did God promise to do with His Spirit?** (Pour it out on all people.) **What will happen to everyone who calls on the name of the Lord?** (They will be saved from their sins and get to be close with God forever.) **Peter explained these promises were coming true that very day! He told them Jesus was the Lord and Savior they had been waiting for.**

**What did Peter say would happen to all who would repent and be baptized?** (They would receive the Holy Spirit.) **It is a promise from God that is still true for us today. The Bible says God puts the Holy Spirit in the hearts of all who believe in Jesus. If you believe in Jesus as your Lord, the Holy Spirit lives in your heart forever!**

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

### FINAL FIVE MINUTES:

- TREASURE TREAT: "Ask Me about Pentecost" sticker
- DAILY WAY CHALLENGE
- OFFERING OF ART: What the apostles saw when the Holy Spirit came
- PRAYER REQUESTS
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

### GOT TIME?

**SNACK:** Tongue-shaped Flames

**GAME:** Fingers Out

**DISCUSSION:** Holy Habits

**CRAFT:** God's Spirit around the World

**BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES:** Memory Verse Hand Motions, Around the World

**BIBLE TIMELINE REVIEW**