

HOLY SPIRIT

LESSON 4: HELP THAT TEACHES

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The Holy Spirit teaches us about God and how to live a holy life.

TOPICS

Fruitfulness, Holy Spirit, Love, Strength

OPENING PRAYER AND PRAISE (5 minutes)

Praise and worship are an important part of a believer's life and children often learn best by watching and repeating what they see. So please, praise and worship together.

SCRIPTURE READING AND DISCUSSION (15 minutes)

Introduction:

One of the Holy Spirit's most important jobs is to teach us more about God. When we trust Jesus as our Savior, the Spirit begins teaching us things we wouldn't be able to learn any other way. And He is the best teacher! He tells us what we need to know to obey God.

Read 1 Corinthians 2:6-16 (The Holy Spirit gives us Godly wisdom.)

Discussion Questions:

1. What kind of wisdom do we speak? (*God's mature wisdom.*)
2. How is God's wisdom described? (*"A mystery that has been hidden and destined for our glory before time began."*)
3. What is an example of the "wisdom of this age"? (*Christ's crucifixion – the political reasons for His execution were worldly.*)
4. What kinds of things has God prepared for us? (*Amazing things that we can't even understand yet!*)
5. What does the Spirit teach? (*All things, even the deep things of God.*)
6. Who knows the thoughts of God? (*The Spirit.*)
7. Why does the Spirit teach us? (*So, we can understand what God has given us.*)
8. Can an unbeliever truly understand, or accept, the Spirit's teachings? (*No, because it is foolishness to an unbeliever.*)
9. Why is making good decisions, or judgments, important? (*So, we can learn, reach out to others, and be more like Christ.*)
10. Why is it important that we allow the Spirit to teach us? (*So, we can have "the mind of Christ."*)

Conclusion: Living for Jesus can be difficult at times, but the Holy Spirit teaches us how to be like Him. When we listen to the Spirit's guidance and obey His teachings then we will have a closer relationship with God and truly learn how to love others.

CLASS EXERCISE (15 minutes)

Teach Me (See video)

SUGGESTED PARENT/CHILD ACTIVITY

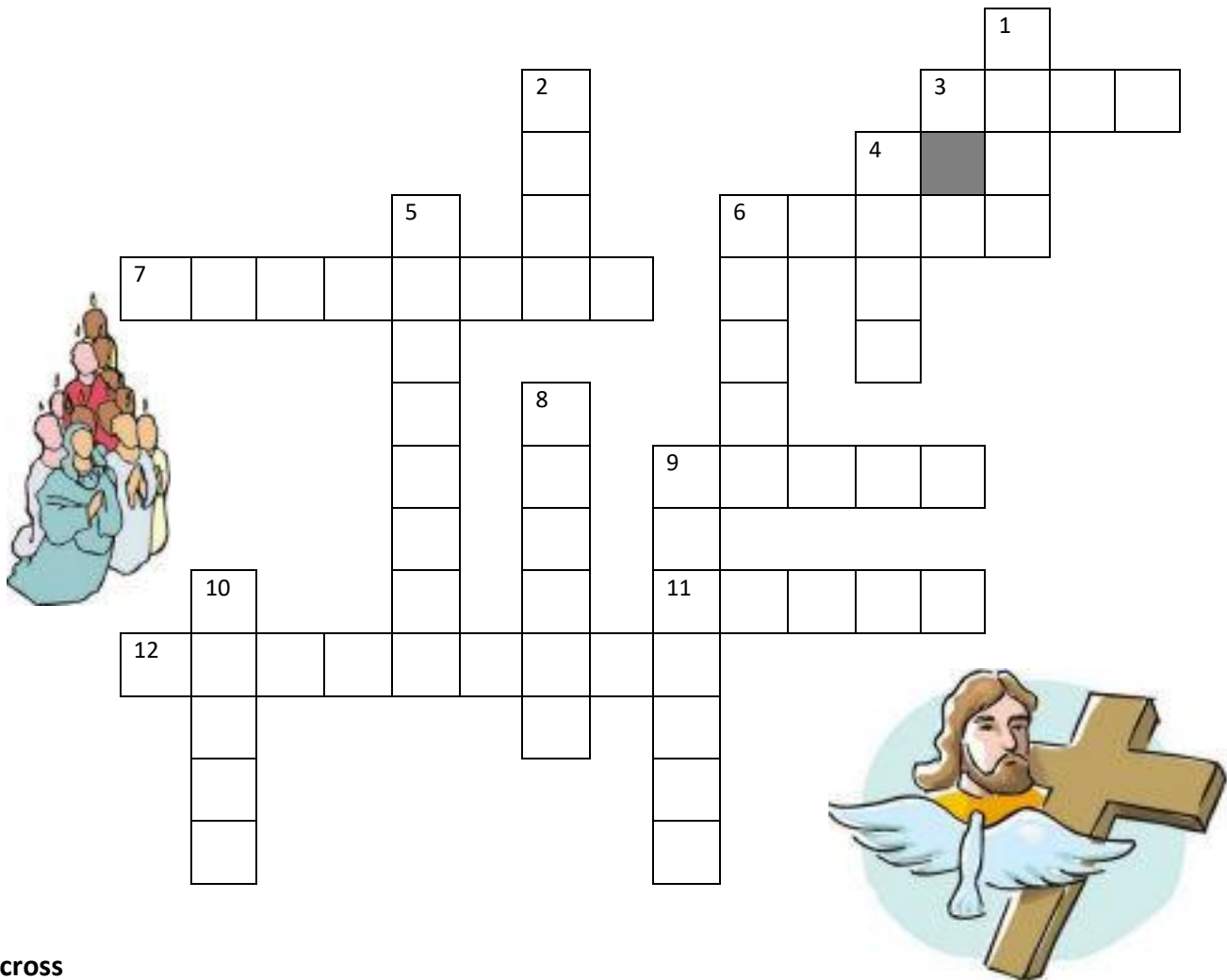
The Holy Spirit Crossword (See page 2 – Answers on page 3)

APPLICATION (5 minutes)

Hold up various coins and ask the children to identify the worth of each coin. Then combine two or three coins together and ask the class to identify the combined worth of the coins. Use this example to teach the children that the Holy Spirit is a PERFECT teacher – He doesn't teach anything against God's word. Ask the class to consider how they would feel if someone deliberately taught them the wrong amount for the coins and compare their reactions to worldly teachings about God (e.g. "There is more than one way to go to Heaven"). Help the children's understanding by admitting that sometimes it's more comfortable to believe a certain way (like falsely believing that a quarter is worth more than 25 cents), but because the Holy Spirit is a good teacher He will teach us truth. Encourage the class to share the truth of the gospel with friends and family members who may not have a relationship with the Lord.

CLOSING PRAYER (2 minutes)

The Holy Spirit



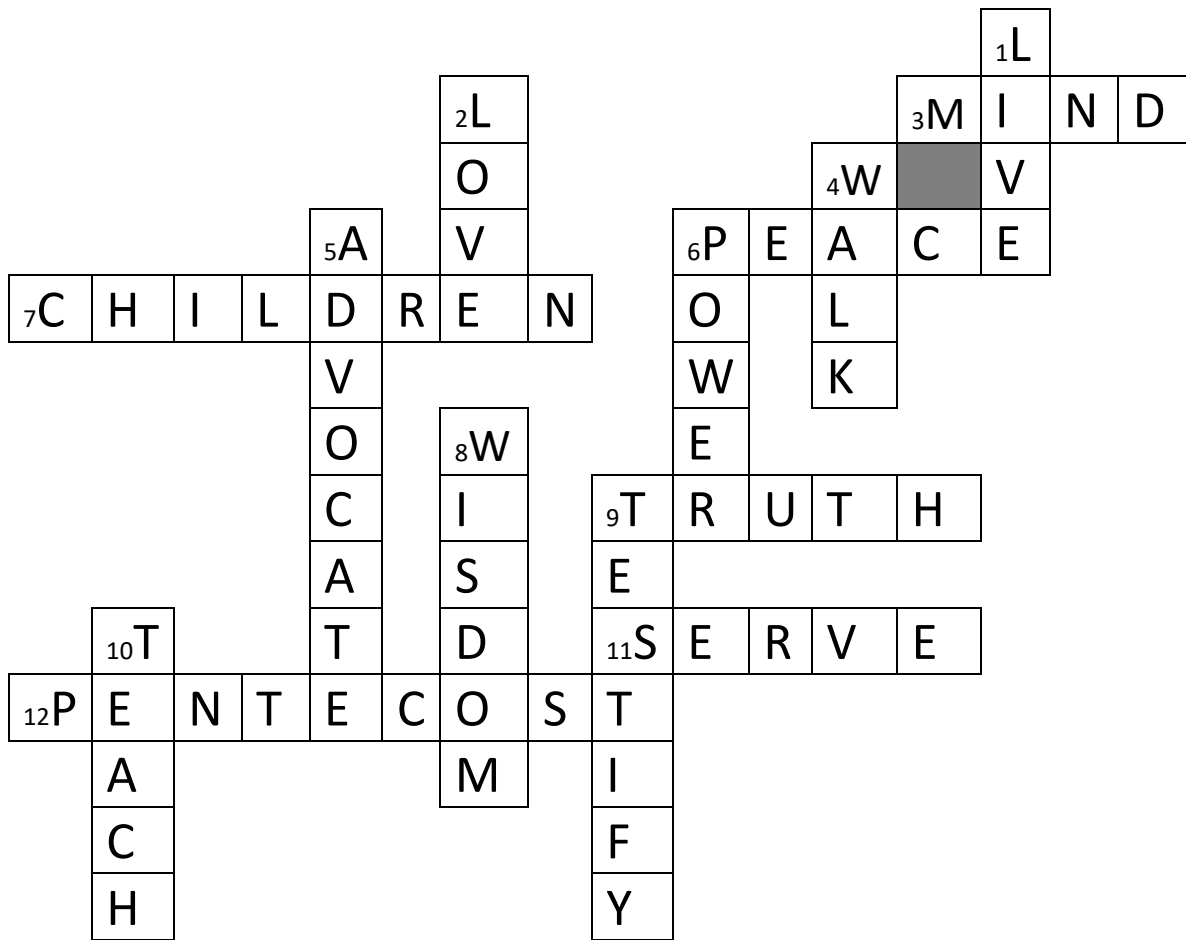
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 9. But when he, the Spirit of _____ comes, he will guide you into all the truth. (John 16:13)
 11. _____ one another in love. (Galatians 5:13)
 12. When the day of _____ came, they were all together in one place. (Acts 2:1)

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 2. To know this _____ that surpasses knowledge. (Ephesians 3:19)
 4. So I say, _____ by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. (Galatians 5:16)
 5. But the _____, the Holy Spirit... will teach you all things. (John 14:26)
 6. And I pray that you, rooted and established in love, may have _____. (Ephesians 3:17-18)
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