

Month 4 - Holy Spirit

PREPARE WEEK

Preparing to reach your school and community with the Good News of Jesus.



Foundation Scripture

"And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you." John 14:16-17



HOST

"Welcome to First Priority! This week is Prepare Week, where we prepare to reach our school and community with the Good News of Jesus. Our focus this month is on the Holy Spirit and last week we learned more about the work and attributes of the Holy Spirit. Before we get started, let's pray."

OPENING PRAYER



"First Priority has one Scripture that is the foundation for everything they do. It's known as the Great Commission and is found in Matthew 28:18-20, "And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing SPEAKER them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Let's see if we can get a few volunteers to give a good example of this truth..."

(Have 3 students to walk up to the front. Ask one student to hold their arms straight out by their side. Do NOT let them drop their arms. Now, have them stand on one foot while they continue to hold their arms straight out to the side. Tell them to not let their arms drop. Eventually, and quicker than we think, their arms will begin to shake and then drop. Feel free to add some weights or books to their hands as well. When they need some help, have them ask the other 2 students to help hold their arms up. Ask them if it is easier with help...they should answer yes.)

"This is just a small example of having help really matters, especially to follow Jesus in our world.

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The really powerful part of that Scripture is found in the last verse: "And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age." We know that most students and adults who follow Jesus would say it isn't always easy. There are pressures to turn away from Jesus, to be ashamed or embarrassed of Him, or to feel like we can't understand who He is and what He has planned for US.

SPEAKER

But...when Jesus went back into heaven after His death on the Cross, He left us with a promise: that He would be with us always, until the end of the age.

The way that He is with us today is through his Holy Spirit. We can trust that we are not alone and that even when following Jesus gets hard, we can do this with the power of the Holy Spirit that Jesus left with us."



"Let's close in a time of prayer and ask that God would allow us to encounter and experience the power of the Holy Spirit in a new way; that the Holy Spirit would be our Helper in all things and that we would be encouraged that we can tell people about Jesus with His help."

HOST

(Take time to prayer with your group, have a few leaders or Student Leaders to pray out loud and with students. Boldly ask for God to help you all understand His Holy Spirit).

OTHER STUDENT LEADER ROLES



Promote **ENGAGE** Week next week!



Make sure everyone feels welcomed!



Be ready to follow up with student's who want to know

FOLLOW UP

Jesus.