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FUNDOCY Homework: The Holy Spirit Comes

Lesson Taught on October 15, 2017

Homework Due: October 29, 2017

Do you need some power in your life? Are you interested in making a positive impact in your world for God? The book of Acts is an amazing historical adventure of revolution, suspense, drama and humor as the early church is born. It tells of a world set on fire by a small group of people who had witnessed Jesus' death and resurrection and were filled with a power the world had never seen before. This same Holy Spirit power is available to all who follow Christ today. We only need to ask, seek and knock.

Part I: The Lesson

1. Read Acts 1:1-5.
2. The book of Acts tells of how the church got its start following Jesus' death and resurrection. Many believe Luke (the same person who wrote the Gospel of Luke!) wrote this book.

To whom did Luke write the book? (Hint, it's in Acts 1:1)

This name means "lover of God".

3. Acts 1:4-5 includes some of Jesus' last instructions to his apostles. He told them "for _____ baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the _____ not many days from now"
4. Use a dictionary to define "apostle":

5. Read Acts 1:6-8. Jesus instructs the apostles that they "will receive _____ when the Holy Spirit has come upon" them, and says that they will be _____ for Jesus in Jerusalem, Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.
6. What does it mean to be a witness?

7. Read Acts 2:1-4.
- a) It says “When the day of _____ had come, they were all together in one place.” This event is remembered in the church by a festival of the same name...and it is the day on which 8th graders are usually confirmed!
 - b) We celebrate this festival because it is the day on which the people were filled with what? _____ (Hint: Look at Acts 2:4...the people were filled with)

8. Read Acts 2:5-13. What miracle happened when they received the Holy Spirit?

9. The book of Acts is a story of God’s power unleashed on the world through the Holy Spirit. How do *you* define the Holy Spirit?

10. The Holy Spirit is... :

- a) A scary ghost
- b) A cousin of Holy Cow
- c) A spirit of God that came into being on that first Pentecost
- d) God’s Spirit that first called creation into being and now helps us know Jesus

11. By “all the ends of the earth” Jesus meant we are to witness to:

- a) Everyone everywhere
- b) Everyone who is receptive everywhere
- c) Everyone who looks like us everywhere
- d) Everyone from every nation who happens to visit our church on Sundays from 8:00 - 11:00

Part II: Reflection Questions

1. What is the most exciting event you ever witnessed?

Did you tell anyone about it? _____

Why or why not? _____

2. When was the last time you felt especially close to God?

What part do you think the Holy Spirit had to play in this moment?

3. Have you ever prayed for the Holy Spirit to fill you? _____

Why or why not?

Now stop, fill in the blanks and pray...

Gracious God,

Thank you for the gift of this day and the gift of your Holy Spirit. This day, I give you thanks for _____ and _____. Please help me with _____ and _____ this coming week. Thank you for hearing my prayers. In Jesus' name I pray, amen.