

Jesus Gives Us the Comforter

Recommended Age:

Lower Elementary

Theme:

The Holy Spirit is our comforter.

Object:

An oscillating fan and pieces of crepe streamer - one per child

Scripture:

John 14:15-21

Children's Sermon: Jesus Gives Us the Comforter (John 14:15-21)

Set up the fan to move and blow over the children. Hand each of the children a piece of streamer to hold as you talk. Allow them to hold it up into the wind when it comes their way.

Today we are going to talk about something you can't see, but you know it's there.

Pretend to just begin feeling the wind. Act surprised and unaware of what you're feeling and what the source of the wind is.

Do you feel that? What is it and where is it coming from? (Allow kids to answer, but keep asking them to provide facts and proof of this wind they do not see.)

So you're convinced there is wind here even though you don't see it? We can't see the wind, but we sure see what it's doing, don't we? I see it blowing some of your streamers, some of your hair is moving, and I also feel much cooler than I did before.

Do you know what this reminds me of in the Bible? (Allow kids to guess.) I'll give you a hint: It's an amazing gift left for us when Jesus returned to heaven to be with His Father. Do you know what it is now? (Allow kids to guess.)

Jesus promised us a helper and that helper is the Holy Spirit. We don't see the Holy Spirit because He lives inside of those of us who make Jesus our Lord and Savior. But just like the wind from the fan today, even though we can't see the Holy Spirit, we know that He brings comfort and help to us.

God, even though we can't see You, we know You are real. We also know Your Holy Spirit is real. Thank You for the comfort You bring us through the gift of Your Holy Spirit. In Jesus' name, amen.
