

This week's Bible story is



The Promise of the Holy Spirit

from John 14:15-21.

Jesus sends the Holy Spirit to be with us always.

Ask each other what you remember about:

- Promise
- Trust
- Spirit
- Commandments
- Advocate

The Holy Spirit reveals itself in several forms in Bible stories—as a dove at the baptism of Jesus and as wind and fire on Pentecost.

Read the whole story together in the Bible!

Spark Story Bible pages 450-451

Spark Bible page 1192

Family Prayer

Dear Heavenly Father,

May the Holy Spirit be around us and inside us. May it guide us as we learn, work, and play. Amen.

TALK ABOUT IT

Family Conversations

- Have you ever made a promise? Did you keep it? What promise did Jesus make this story?
- Who do you trust? How do you know you can trust them? How do your friends and family know they can trust you?
- What proof do we have that the Holy Spirit is present in our lives everyday? How do we know it is at work in each of us?
- 4 How do you see the Holy Spirit at work? at school? At work? At church? In our community?



Eye Spark

Look at a map of your city or state. Map out a route to favorite cities or attractions. Trace the route with your fingers. Just as a map guides you to a destination, the Holy Spirit guides your heart to do God's work in the world!



Ear Spark

Listen with your heart instead of your ears. As you make choices this week, pause and think about what your heart is telling you to do. Trusting your heart is a way that we trust the Holy Spirit's guidance in our daily lives.

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For families to do together

Play this game to remind you that the Holy Spirit is always with you, even when you don't expect it. Start this week-long game by giving each member of your family a stickynote with a cross on it. Each family member can remind other members of the family of the Holy Spirit's presence by hiding the sticky notes in unexpected places. Sticky notes can be hidden on the inside of a cupboard door, in a lunch box, or on a windshield. Be creative. When a family member finds a stickynote, they must hide it again. Distribute new stickynotes each day and see how many you find by week's end!

For younger kids

Remind a friend about the God's promise to be with us by reading or sharing a story from the Spark Story Bible or another Bible storybook.

For older kids

Use your computer to listen to the song, "Holy Spirit" by Third Day. Look up the lyrics and follow along as you listen to the song.

