



**THIS MONTH'S SERIES & LIFE APP**

**Unstuck:** Don't Give Up // **Determination** is deciding it's worth it to finish what you started

**THIS MONTH'S MEMORY VERSE**

Let us not become tired of doing good. At the right time we will gather a crop if we don't give up. **Galatians 6:9, NIV**

**THIS WEEK'S STORY & BOTTOM LINE**

**The Holy Spirit Comes at Pentecost (Acts 2:1-41)**

God gives you what you need to keep going.

## This Month's Theme...

### LIFE APP: DETERMINATION

Throughout the Bible, we read about all sorts of people who showed determination in the face of hardship and difficulty. They relied on God's strength to get them through it. Even Jesus Himself endured through the pain of the cross so that we would be able to have a forever relationship with God. When it comes to the situations in our own lives, God gives us the Holy Spirit to empower us to keep going, even when life gets difficult.



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### DISCOVER THE STORIES

This month's theme is an up-close look at Jesus' commandment to the disciples to go and tell...from Jerusalem (or Upland or Grant County) to Judea and Samaria (Indiana or the US) to one end of the earth to the other. This was not an easy job...and Jesus knew that. So he promised the help of the Holy Spirit to come after he ascended to heaven. This month will take us into the stories of the Great Commission, Pentecost, Peter and John's early challenges, a man named Stephen, and an amazing story of Philip and the Ethiopian (did you know there was teleporting in the Bible?).



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## This Week's Activities...

Don't feel like you have to do ALL the activities in one sitting! Do 1-2/day over the course of the week.

### Translate This!

**WHAT YOU NEED:** Translation app or visit [Google Translate](https://www.google.com/translate)



Activities that invite kids to share and build on their understanding with others

## WHAT YOU DO:

- Teach kids how to say, "Jesus is Lord," in various languages:
  - **Spanish:** Jesus es el Señor.
  - **German:** Jesus ist der Herr.
  - **French:** Jésus est Seigneur.
  - **Japanese:** Iesu wa Omodesu.
  - **Swahili:** Yesu ni Bwana.
- NOTE: Using a translation app can help with pronunciation.
- **BONUS:** Pick a favorite foreign translation of "Jesus is Lord" and make up some dance moves or a secret handshake to go along with saying the phrase.

**WHAT YOU SAY:** "Our message this week is all about telling others that Jesus is Lord. That means He is the One over everything and over everyone. No one is greater. No one is stronger. No one is more important. Jesus...is Lord over coronavirus; Jesus is Lord over us; Jesus is Lord of tomorrow and next week and next month. This truth is not just for anyone who speaks English. No. 'Jesus is Lord' is a message that needs to be shared with everyone, all around the world, no matter what language they speak. But that's a tough job. That's why it's important to learn that **[Bottom Line] God gives you what you need to keep going.**"

## Play Bible Story Video(s)

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**Intro Skit**



**Bible Story**



**Outro Skit**

## Hot Headbands

**WHAT YOU NEED:** Headband, pipe cleaner, markers, Bible Story review page, fire cutout, scissors (optional)



Activities that explore spiritual ideas through drawing and making things

## WHAT YOU DO:

- Cut out around the fire (optional) and color it in.
  - NOTE: If you don't like the color of the headband you have, you can carefully snip the end of the fabric covering and slide it off, revealing a plain black plastic headband underneath.
- Wrap one end of the pipe cleaner around the center of plastic headband.
- Thread the other end of the pipe cleaner through the hole punched end of the fire cutout so that the fire cutout is sticking up like an "antennae."
- Wear your headband on your head with the fire cutout
- Read the Bible story from the review page.
- Have your kids do/say what you tell them to throughout the story.
- When you get to the "tongues of fire" part, kids put on their headbands and say, "Jesus is Lord," in the language they learned during the opening activity.

**WHAT YOU SAY:** “What an amazing story! The disciples had been given a HUGE task—to tell everyone everywhere about Jesus. They could have been so anxious about it that they just gave up. But they didn’t! They trusted God, and He gave them what they needed to keep going—the Holy Spirit! **[Bottom Line] God gives you what you need to keep going, too.** When things seem impossible or overwhelming, you can trust God to carry you through. He’ll give you just what you need.”

## Cloud Dough

**WHAT YOU NEED:** 2 containers of corn starch,  
1 container of hair conditioner, 1-2 drops of food coloring (optional)



Activities that extend learning through hands-on experimentation and discovery

### WHAT YOU DO:

- Mix the pre-measured ingredients into a bowl or the provided ziplock bag.
- Work the conditioner into the corn starch. Be patient! It’ll take some time get it blended right.
- If you wish, you can add food coloring and work that into the dough.
- As the kids play with their dough, squeezing it and shaping it, ask the following review questions:
  - **What was the task that Jesus gave to the disciples right before He was taken up to heaven?** Hint: See Matthew 28:16-20. (To tell everyone about Him; to spread the word all over the world)
  - **Why would the disciples need determination to spread the word about Jesus?** (Because there are a lot of people in the world; they didn’t speak the same language as everyone in other countries)
  - **How did the Holy Spirit help Jesus’ followers tell others about Him?** (The Spirit made it so they could speak and everyone could understand, even if they didn’t speak the same language already)
  - **How does the Holy Spirit help us today?** (When we believe in Jesus and what He did for us, God gives us the help of His Spirit; the Spirit helps us find the strength to keep going)

**WHAT YOU SAY:** “Fun fact: did you know there are several times in the Bible that God’s presence is represented by fire or clouds? The disciples had God’s Holy Spirit come upon them in the form of tongues of fire – and that’s one of these examples – but God has also appeared as a cloud, like when the Israelites had escaped Egypt and were wandering through the desert. There was a special cloud from God that guided them. This dough you’ve made is called cloud dough. It can serve as a reminder that God is with you at all times and that **[Bottom Line] God gives you what you need to keep going.** Whenever you face a frustrating situation and want to give up, remember this little ball of cloud dough and, more importantly, remember that God is with you and can help you push through the challenges!”