

Acts-Revelation

Many people believe Acts 2:1-41

Younger Verse

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2nd Corinthians 1:20

Older Verse

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Welcome Time

Greet the kids in other languages like—“Hola”, “Buenos días” (Spanish), Guten morgen” (German), or “Bonjour” (French). Explain that we will learn about some friends of Jesus who spoke other languages.

Bible Story

*The following is a summary of the Bible story to help you with your preparation. It is **NOT** to be read to the children. Instead, use your Bible to explain the story. Make a note page to help you remember your plans for the lesson or questions you wanted to ask.*

Teachers: Make sure that the kids do not think that they had real “fire” on their heads. That could be scary to them.

After Jesus rose from the grave and went to Heaven, His friends prayed together and told others about Jesus.

Soon afterwards, there was a special feast celebrating the summer harvest. It was called Pentecost.

During Pentecost, Jesus’ friends were together in a house. Suddenly a noise came from Heaven. It sounded like a strong wind blowing. This noise filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw something that looked like flames of fire. These flames were signs that the Holy Spirit was there and God was going to do something truly amazing! The flames were separated and stood over each person. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, who was from God, and they began to speak different languages. The Holy Spirit was giving them the power to speak these languages.

There were people staying in the city who were from every country in the world. They came to celebrate Pentecost. When they heard this noise, they rushed to the house.

They were all surprised, because each one heard Jesus’ friends speaking in their own language. They were completely amazed at this. They said, “Look! Aren’t all these men from the small town of Galilee? Each of us hears them in our own language. How is this possible? We are from different places. We hear these men in our own language telling about the great things God has done.

The people were speechless. They asked each other, “What does this mean?”
Some did not believe. They jokingly said that these men were drunk.

Lesson Goals

To help kids understand how they can trust Jesus
Pray with a child to receive Christ (please do not pressure them)
To let the kids see that they can share Jesus with friends

Then Jesus' friend, Peter, stood up along with the others. In a loud voice he said to the crowd, "My people, listen to me. These men are not drunk. It is only nine o'clock in the morning!"

Peter began telling the crowd about Jesus. He explained that God sent Jesus to this world. Peter told the crowd that with the help of evil men, they nailed Jesus to a cross. Peter then explained that God knew this would happen and that He had a plan. God raised Jesus from death. He was alive!

You may need to define witness

Peter shared, "We are witnesses that Jesus is alive! Right now He is in Heaven by God's side. Jesus is the only way to get to Heaven."

When the people heard this they knew that they needed to trust Jesus. They asked Peter, "What do we do?"

Peter explained that they could trust Jesus by (1) realizing that they had done wrong things against God, (2) telling God that they were sorry for those wrong things, (3) Believe in Jesus, pray and ask Him to come into their lives, (4) Start doing the right things—things that God would want them to do.

About 3,000 people trusted Jesus that day and were baptized. They met together often to learn more about Jesus and to pray. They were so excited about Jesus that they shared this good news with everyone they met. Many people trusted Jesus because of them. Would you like to trust Jesus? Talk to me during activity time to know more.

As Christians, we do not usually see flames over our heads or start speaking in other languages. That was a special miracle that God used to help people from all nations hear about Him and believe in Him. Because of this miracle, people believed in Jesus and spread the Good News all over the world!

Can you think of a way that you can share the Good News of Jesus with someone?

Learning Activities

Choose the activities that will help the kids learn and apply the lesson.

Memory Verse Activities

Bring a long string and clothes pins. Tie the string up or let 2 kids hold the ends. Pin each word of the verse on the line. Scramble up the words and see if the kids can arrange it correctly.

Prayer Time

Circle up and pray with the kids. Be a model for the kids.

Clean Up/Snack time

Ask the kids to pick up supplies and trash. Ask them to line up for treats. Yummmm!

January 18th
Acts 3:1-26
Peter heals a man

Preschool Lesson
For
Many people believe

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Soon afterwards, there was a special feast celebrating the summer harvest.

During the feast, Jesus' friends were together in a house. Suddenly a noise came from Heaven. It sounded like a strong wind blowing. (Make a noise similar to this) This noise filled the whole house where they were sitting. There were people staying in the city who were from every country in the world. They came to celebrate the feast. When they heard this noise, they rushed to the house to see what it was.

They were all surprised, because each one heard Jesus' friends speaking in their own language. They were completely amazed at this. They said, "Look! Aren't all these men from the small town of Galilee? Each of us hears them in our own language. How is this possible? We are from different places. We hear these men in our own language telling about the great things God has done.

The people were speechless. They asked each other, "What does this mean?"

Peter began telling the crowd about Jesus. He explained that God sent Jesus to this world and that Jesus is alive!

When the people heard this they knew that they needed to believe in Jesus. About 3,000 people trusted Jesus that day. They met together often to learn more about Jesus and to pray. They were so excited about Jesus that they shared this good news with everyone they met. Many people trusted Jesus because of them

Thank God for sending us Jesus!

Hands-On Activities For Many people trust Jesus

Teach your children how to say “God” or “Jesus” in other languages. See the attached sheet with words and pronunciations.

Over 3,000 people believed in Jesus that day. Try to let the kids think about how many people that is. Most schools have 1,000 kids, so that would be equivalent to 3 schools. Also, last Easter, there were about 3,000 people at the egg hunt.

Make a mobile to remember the story.

Talk to your kids to see if they believe in Jesus. If they do, share how they can tell others about their faith, like Jesus’ friends did. If many have not trusted Jesus, take the opportunity to share your testimony with them. Be sensitive to each child. Try to make sure that each one understands what Jesus has done. Also, to make sure that each person is understanding, use questions like Who, What, Where, When, Why so they have to tell you what they know. Please do not pressure anyone into trusting Jesus. Please do not let the kids raise their hands as a group. Many may raise their hands, not sure of what they are doing, or doing it to “fit in.”

Make a wind sock to remember the “wind” that the people heard in the story.
