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Leads the Apostles**

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God Sends the Holy Spirit

Acts 2:1-21

The Characters

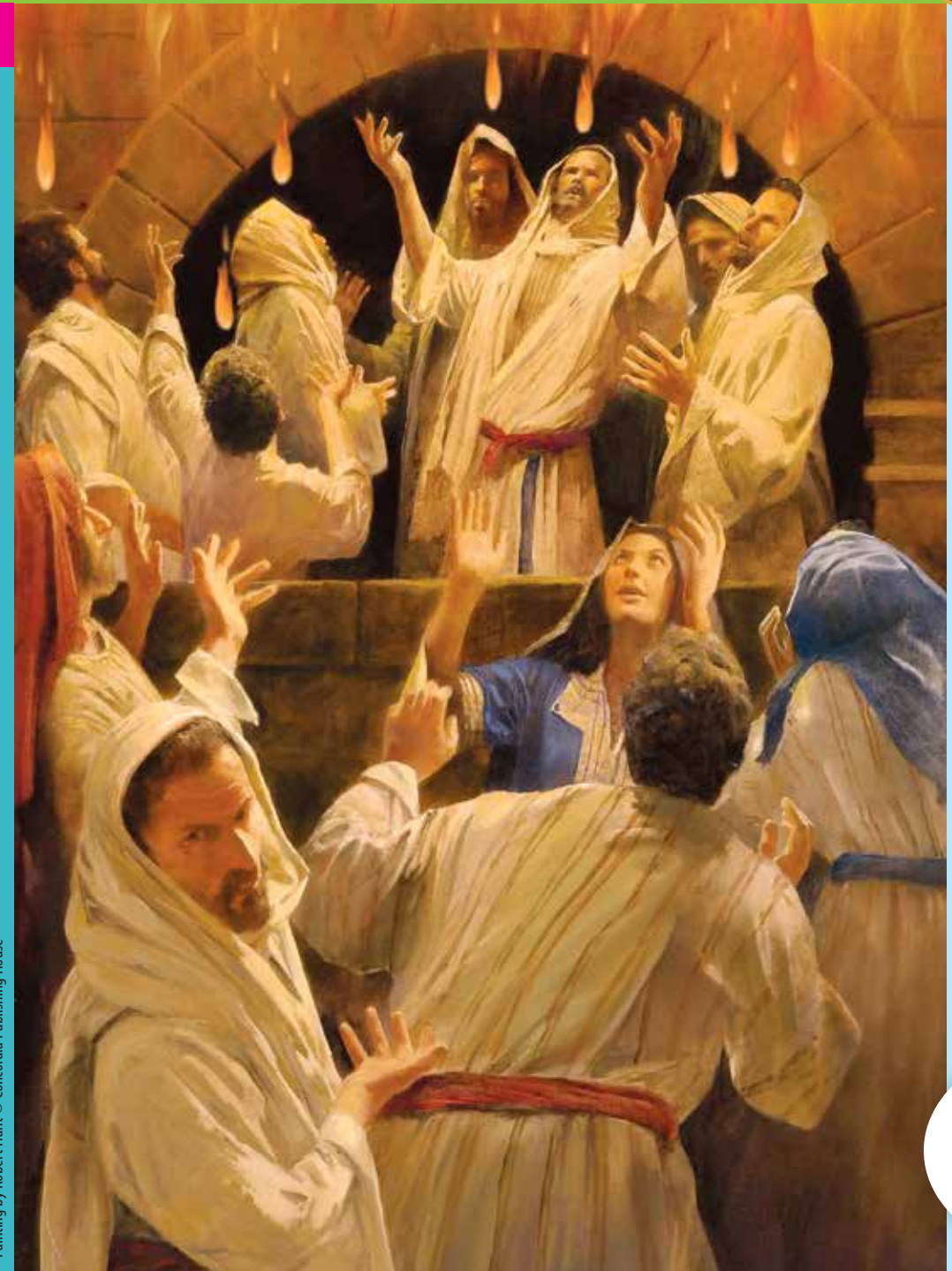
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The Setting

Jerusalem

Bible Memory Verse

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations.
Matthew 28:19



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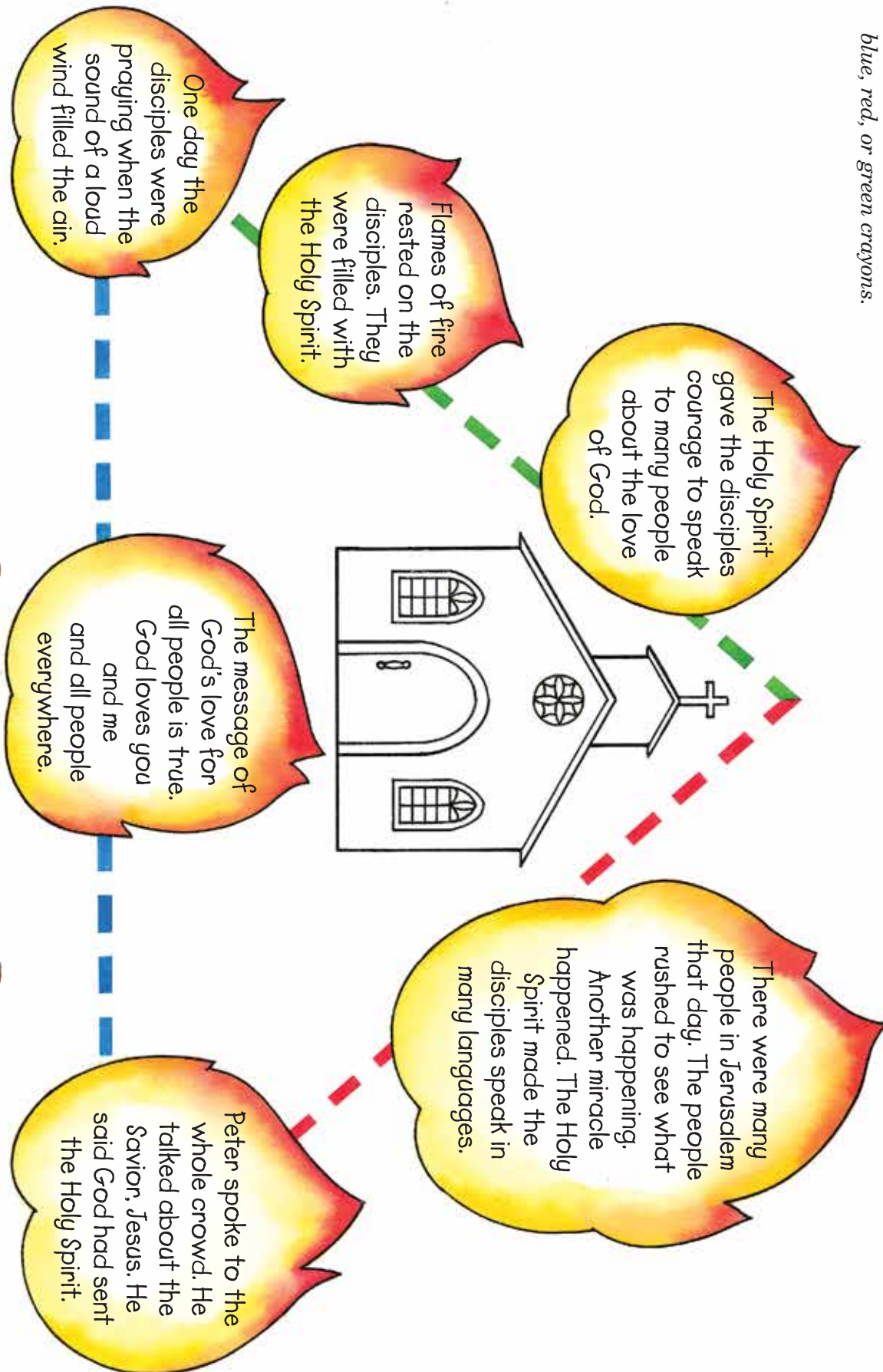
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Tell what you know about the Holy Spirit.

Name: _____

Follow the story from flame to flame. Connect the dotted lines with blue, red, or green crayons.

Review



Go therefore and make disciples of all nations. Matthew 28:19



The True Story

After Jesus ascended into heaven, the disciples returned to Jerusalem. Jesus had told them to wait there for the gift of the Holy Spirit.

At that time, people from many places had gathered in Jerusalem for a celebration. The disciples were in a room praying. Suddenly, the sound of a loud wind filled the air.

Make the sound of rushing wind.

Flames rested on the disciples' heads.*

Wiggle fingers over head to make flames.

The disciples were filled with the Holy Spirit. The Spirit gave them courage to speak to many people about the love of God.*

Touch mouth and then heart.

There were many people in Jerusalem that day. They heard the sound of the wind. The people rushed to the house to see what was happening. The people saw the flames on the disciples' heads.

Touch ears and then eyes.

There were more miracles. The Holy Spirit made the disciples able to talk in all the languages of all the people gathered. They heard about the mighty works of God in their own languages.*

Touch mouth and then ears.

Peter spoke to the whole crowd. He talked about the sins of the people.

Sweep arm from left to right.

He talked about the Savior, Jesus. He said Jesus had died on the cross and had come alive again at Easter.

Make finger cross. Then lift up hands.

He said that God sent the Holy Spirit to bring the gift of faith. The people were amazed.



Use the words in red to help you act out the Bible story. When you see an *, look at the pictures.



The cross shows us God's great love.



Because of the work of the Holy Spirit, some people call Pentecost the birthday of the Church. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, the Good News about the cross can go out to all people.

Look It Up

Acts 2:2

From where did the sound of the rushing wind come?

Acts 2:3

What happened next?

Acts 2:4

What happened after that?

Family Time

While Eating

As a family, think of different languages. Then read Acts 2:8–11.

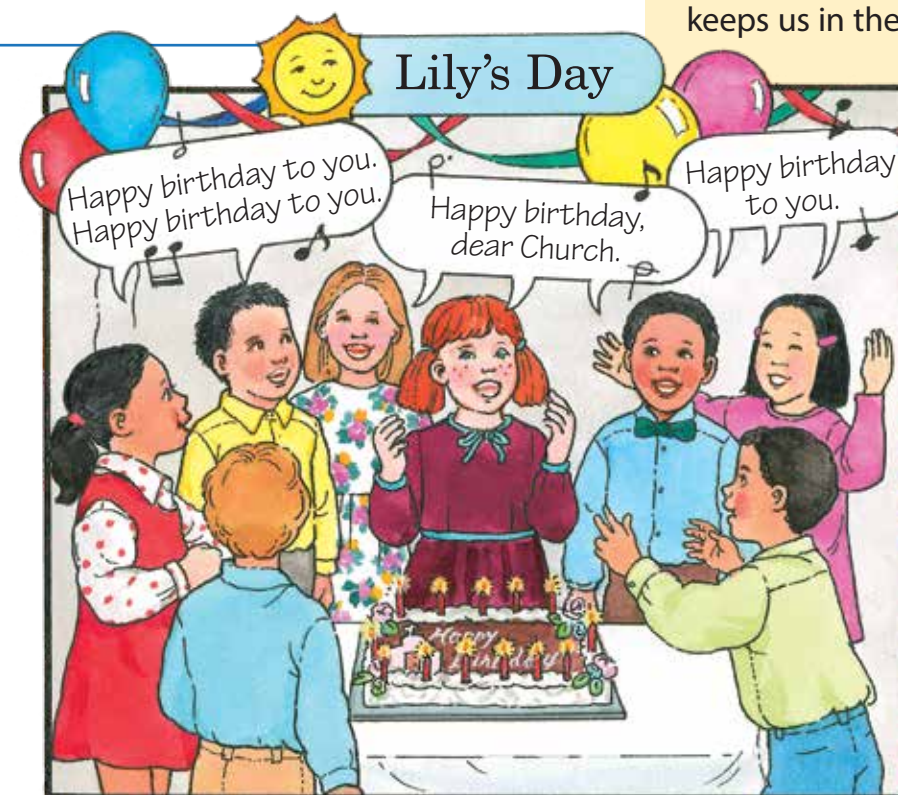


When Using Technology

Search for more information about Pentecost.

At Bedtime

Talk with an adult about the power of the Holy Spirit. The Spirit gives us faith. He brings together the whole Christian Church on earth and keeps us in the one true faith.



Peter and John Heal the Lame Man

Acts 3

The Characters

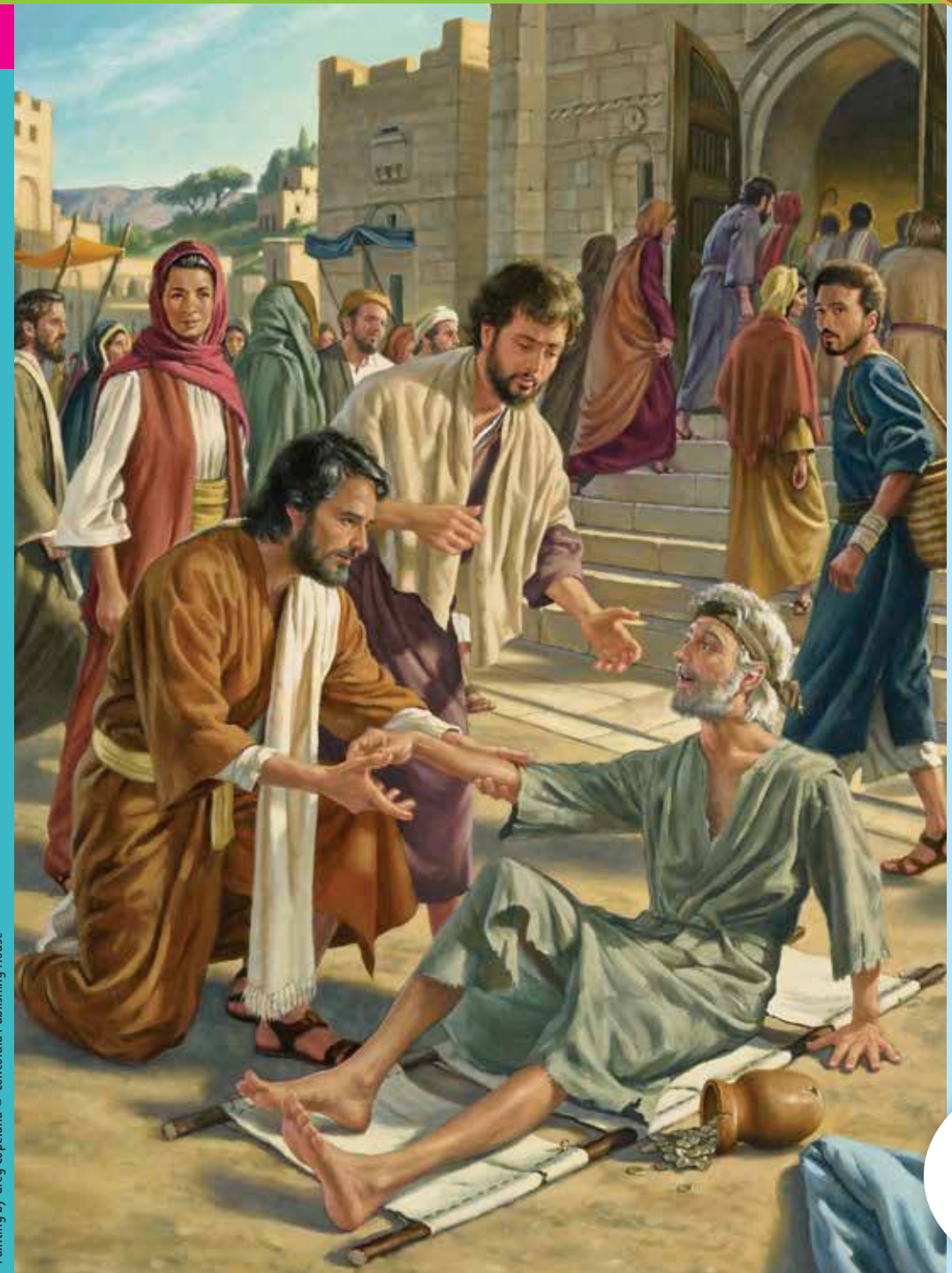
Peter
John
Lame man
Crowd

The Setting

Temple gate in
Jerusalem

Bible Memory Verse

There is no
other name . . .
by which we
must be saved.
Acts 4:12



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I wonder what God has given you that is better than silver or gold.

Name: _____

Review

Draw a line to match what happened before and after. The nouns are on the left, and the verbs (their action) are on the right.

lame
man

living



Peter
and
John

listening



crowds in
Jerusalem

healing



Redeemer

praising



Bonus: What name heals us from our sin? _____



There is no other name . . . by which we must be saved. Acts 4:12



The True Story

One day, two of Jesus' disciples, Peter and John, were **walking** to the temple to pray. A man who **couldn't walk** sat by the temple gates. He was **begging** for money.*

Peter said to the man, "I don't have any money to give you, but I can give you something only God can give you. I tell you, in the name of Jesus, get up and walk."*

Then Peter **took the man's hand and helped him up**. The man got up and **began to leap and run and praise God**. He was so happy that God had made him well again. Right away, he **went** to the temple to praise God and to **tell** Him "Thank You."*

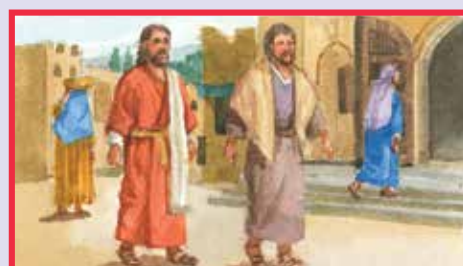
The people in the temple **were astonished** and **came running** to Peter and John. Peter explained that he and John did not make the man walk with their own power. They said it was the power of the same Jesus whom they had killed, but whom God had raised from the dead. Peter told the people to repent and turn to God so that God could wipe away their sins. That day, many who heard the message believed and were baptized.

The man who could now walk **praised God** for healing him. We, too, praise God for all the good things He does for us, especially for healing us from our sins.

As you read the story on the left, pause when you come to an *. Then, look at the pictures.



* The lame man was placed at the gate of the temple called Beautiful Gate. There, he asked for alms. In mercy, people would give the man money or something else he might need.



* Peter and John were going to the temple at the hour of prayer, the ninth hour. What special times do you set aside for prayer?



* The power-filled name of Jesus cured this man. This healed man's first act was to leap up and praise God.

Look It Up

Acts 3:3–8

What gifts did the lame man expect to get? What did he get instead?

Acts 3:19–21

What did Peter tell the people to do?

Family Time

While Eating

Talk about how you can show God's mercy to others through love and service. Thank God for His mercy.



While Singing

Sing a song or hymn to thank God for healing you.

At Play

The lame man rejoiced by walking and leaping. Try jumping rope on one foot and saying the Bible Memory Verse.



Lily's Day

The name of Jesus comforts you when you're sick and heals you from the worst disease: sin.

