

# Ollie Finds Joy

Read, Answer the Questions, and Color

Once, there was an orange named Ollie. On the outside, Ollie was bright and cheerful, but inside, he felt sad and empty. One day, Ollie heard a story about a son who left his father (Luke 15:11-32). The son was sad too, but when he remembered his father's love, he went back home and was welcomed with joy! Ollie thought, God made me, and He loves me too! Then he remembered: joy is a Fruit of the Spirit, a special gift from God.

Joy is even more than happiness—it comes from knowing God's love. Ollie smiled big and said, "I'll let God's joy fill me!" From then on, Ollie shone with joy, inside and out.

### Questions:

- What color was Ollie the Orange?
- Was his color a happy color on the outside?
- How did he feel on the inside?
- What story from the Bible helped him to feel joy?
- Can the Holy Spirit help us to feel joy?
- The fruit of Joy can grow inside our hearts!

Designed To Help Parents Take The Lesson Further Through Discipleship!

# TAKE-HOME PAPER EARLY CHILDHOOD

## MOTIVATED

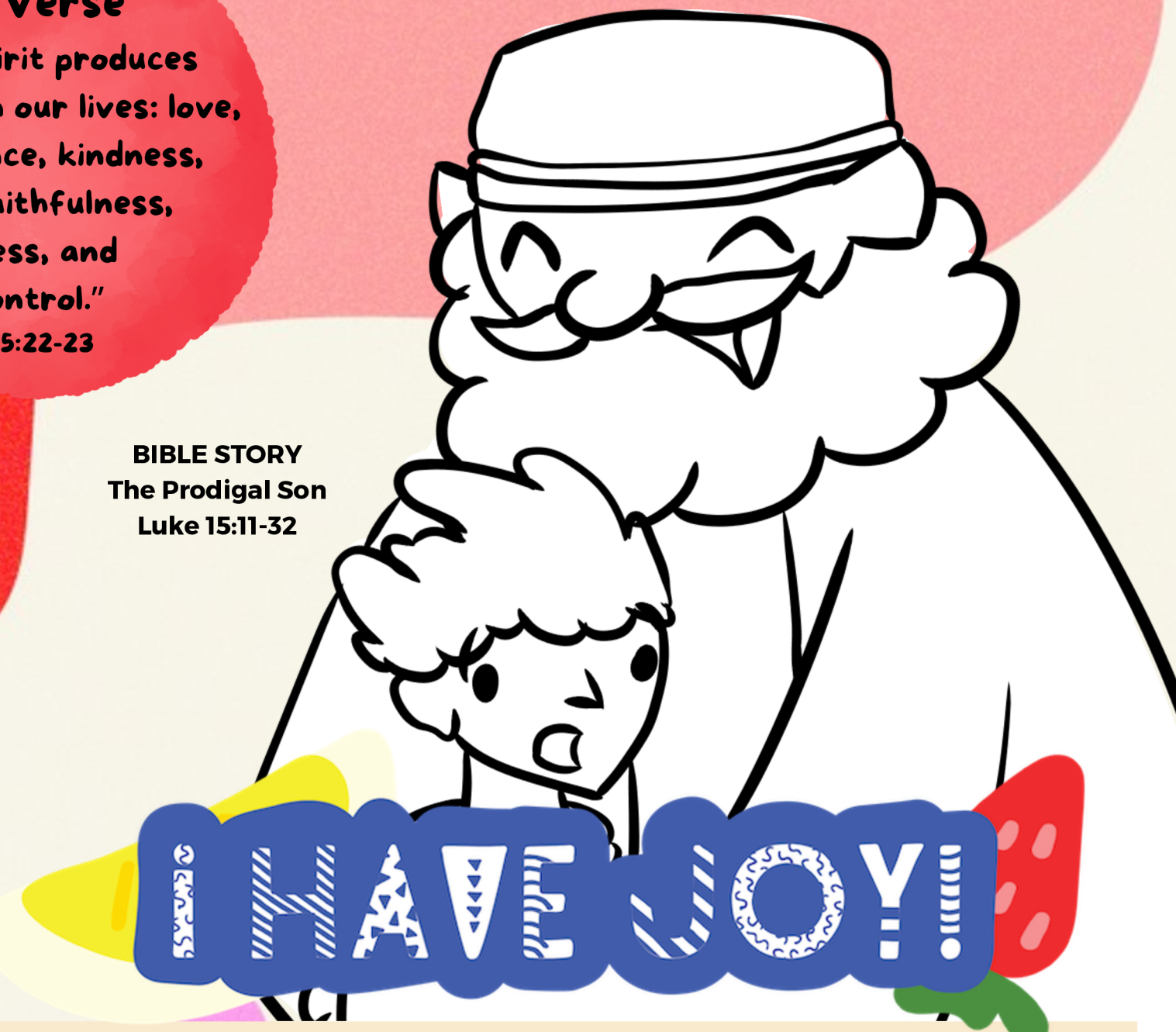
### PART 2

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

### Memory Verse

"But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control."  
Galatians 5:22-23

BIBLE STORY  
The Prodigal Son  
Luke 15:11-32



Dear Parent, Today is week two of our series MOTIVATED. In this series, we are learning about the Fruit of the Spirit. Today, just like you, your child learned about Joy, the second fruit. You can help your child continue to grow in their faith by helping them complete the provided activities at their own pace. It's fun, easy, and you will grow together! When your child completes it, sign the front and have them return it to class the following week for a prize.

PARENT'S SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

# HAVE JOY!

# The Prodigal Son

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Luke 15:11-32

1 Jesus told a story: A man had two sons. The younger son asked for his share of money and left home. He wasted it all and had no food.



2 He got a job feeding pigs and was so hungry, he wanted to eat the pigs' food! He decided to go home and say sorry to his dad.



3 When his dad saw him, he ran to hug him and threw a big party. The older brother was upset.



4 But the dad said, "We must celebrate! Your brother was lost and now he's found!" This shows how much God loves us.



## Cook Together

Have your child help make dinner one evening.

### Pigs in a Blanket



You will need:

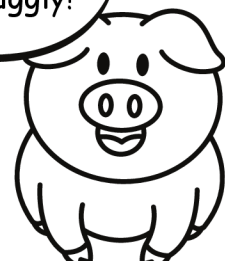
- Hotdogs
- A can of crescent rolls
- Grated cheese

1. Flatten the rolls.
2. Wrap up the dogs.
3. Sprinkle with cheese.
4. Cook for 12-15 minutes at 375 degrees.



Talk about what it might have been like for the son when he fed the pigs. He was so hungry that the pig's food looked good to him...Ew! He must have been so glad to be back with his joyful father! Our Heavenly Father's ways are always better, too!

Now, that sounds nice and snuggly!



# The Fruit Of Joy



THANK YOU FOR HELPING ME! I THINK IT IS STARTING TO GROW!

THAT'S BECAUSE THE HOLY SPIRIT IS HELPING IT GROW MORE FRUIT!

HOLY SPIRIT

Cut out the Joy fruit and glue it onto the tree. The Holy Spirit will help it grow!

