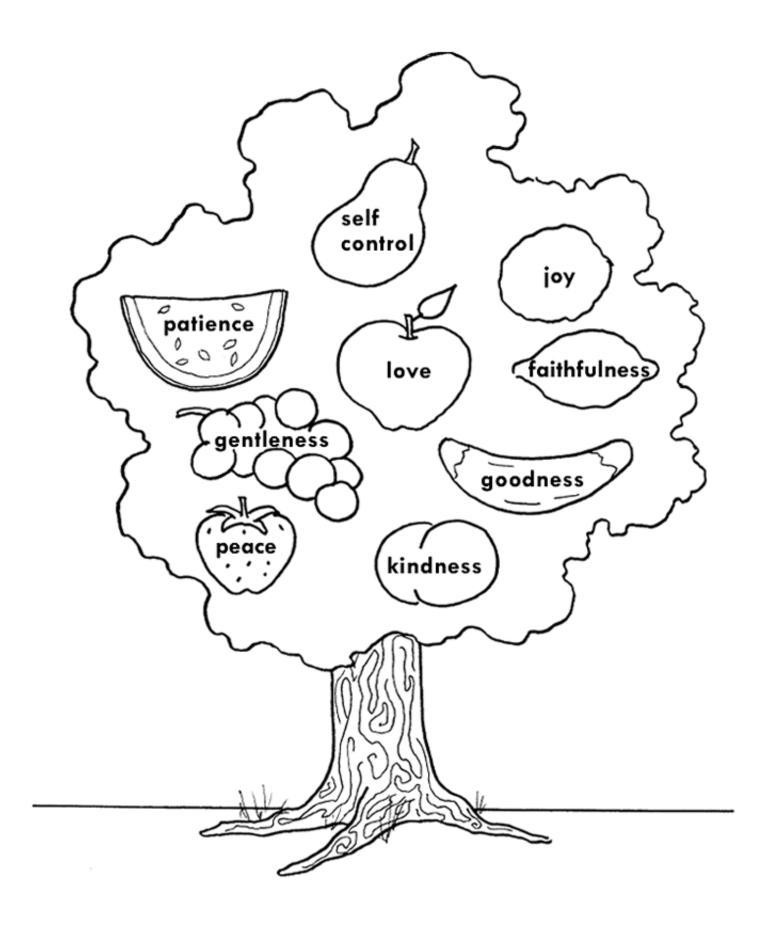
Fruit of the Spirit: Wrap-up

Week of September 13-19

Lesson Aim:	When we put our faith in Jesus and have a relationship with Him, the Holy Spirit fills us with God's love and produces good fruit in our lives.
Memory Verse (practice every day)	Galatians 5:22-23 "But the fruit of the spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control; against these things there is no law."
This week's story	Good Fruit, Bad Fruit: Which Tree Are We? Read together: Luke 6:43-45
	Song: "Fruit of the Spirit – Brentwood Kids" - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3J1mqpLXnCc
Potential questions and	Q: Jesus used different objects to teach us lessons. Who do you think are the trees he describes here? A: People – us!
answers	Q: When you see an apple tree, what do you expect to see on it? An orange tree? A banana tree? A watermelon tree ② ? A: Apples, oranges, bananas, (a watermelon tree???)
	Q: If people are like trees, when someone is filled with the Holy Spirit, what kind of fruit would you expect to see? A: The Fruit of the Spirit! Love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.
	Q: What do you think bad fruit would look like? A: Paying more attention to everything else but God, not getting along with others, being dishonest, wanting what others have (jealousy), being selfish, complaining and saying things we shouldn't.
	Q: Do you think we can have good fruit on our own? A: No – we need Jesus and the Holy Spirit.
	Q: How can we grow closer to God and see the Fruit of the Spirit in our lives? A: Pray, read the Bible, worship God, talk with others about Jesus, etc.
Main takeaways	When the Holy Spirit lives in our hearts, we should see the fruit of <i>love</i> , <i>joy</i> , <i>peace</i> , <i>patience</i> , <i>kindness</i> , <i>goodness</i> , <i>faithfulness</i> , <i>gentleness</i> , <i>and self-control</i> . These are examples of good fruit in our lives.
	A tree is recognized by its fruit. We cannot live life without God and produce good fruit. We need the power of the Holy Spirit to work in us. We can't do it on our own.

	As we grow in the knowledge of Jesus, the Holy Spirit will produce fruit in our lives.		
Suggested Activity (Toddlers & Preschool)	 Coloring page – Fruit of the Spirit Tree Mix a Fruit Salad - This object lesson to use to demonstrate the fruits of the Spirit and how they all work together. Assign different fruit a bowl and tape the name of the "fruit" on the outside. For example, a bowl of diced apples could be "joy." Talk about how all the fruits work together, how God will multiply them in us if we let Him. Mix the fruits together in a big bowl, talking about each one as you go. Serve up the fruit salad and enjoy a healthy snack together. Make a Fruit Tree – Supplies: a plastic cup, small twigs, a ball of play dough or modeling clay, multi-colored construction paper or card stock for leaves (hole punched), string or yarn pieces for tying, markers, crayons, or colored pencils. Secure the twig into the ball of Play dough or clay and firmly press into the plastic cup. Write the Fruits of the Spirit on the leaves. String yarn pieces through holes on leaves. Attach leaves to tree by tying a bow or a knot. 		
Suggested Activity (K-2 nd grades)	 Coloring activity page – Mix a Fruit Salad – see Toddlers Make a Fruit Tree – see Toddlers Matchin' Action Fruit of the Spirit Game 		
Suggested Activity (3 rd -5 th grades)	 Activity Page – Fruit of the Spirit List in Code Mix a Fruit Salad – see Toddlers Matchin' Action Fruit of the Spirit Game 		
Prayer time suggestions	Use the "Daily Prayer Guide for Families" on the church website. From last week: For the next 9 days spend time praying with your kids before dinner or at bedtime for the fruits of the Spirit to be present in their lives (they can pray that for you too)! For example, on Monday pray for Love, Tuesday pray for Joy, etc.		



Matchin'
Action
Fruit of the
Spirit

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Ages 4+, Groups of 2-5 How to Play

Shuffle the cards after removing the title and direction cards. Dealer deals 5 cards to each player.

The remaining cards are placed face down to make a DRAW pile. Turn the top card over to make the DISCARD pile.

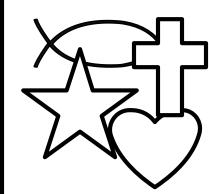
The person to the left of the dealer begins. Match the card in the DISCARD pile either by fruit of the spirit or picture. For example, if the first card says "Joy" with a star on it, any card with "Joy" or with a star on it can be played. When a card is played, the person playing reads the card aloud. A WILD card can

be played at any time. The player playing the card chooses the picture on the card that must be played next.

If the player cannot match the DISCARD card, a card must be taken from the DRAW pile. If the card picked up can be played, it may be played immediately. Otherwise, it is the next player's turn.

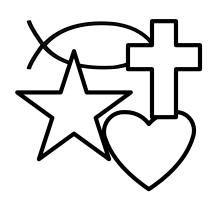
The first player to get rid of all the cards in his or her hand wins the game.

We really can have the fruits of the spirit in our lives, and God expects us to. WILD



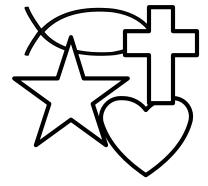
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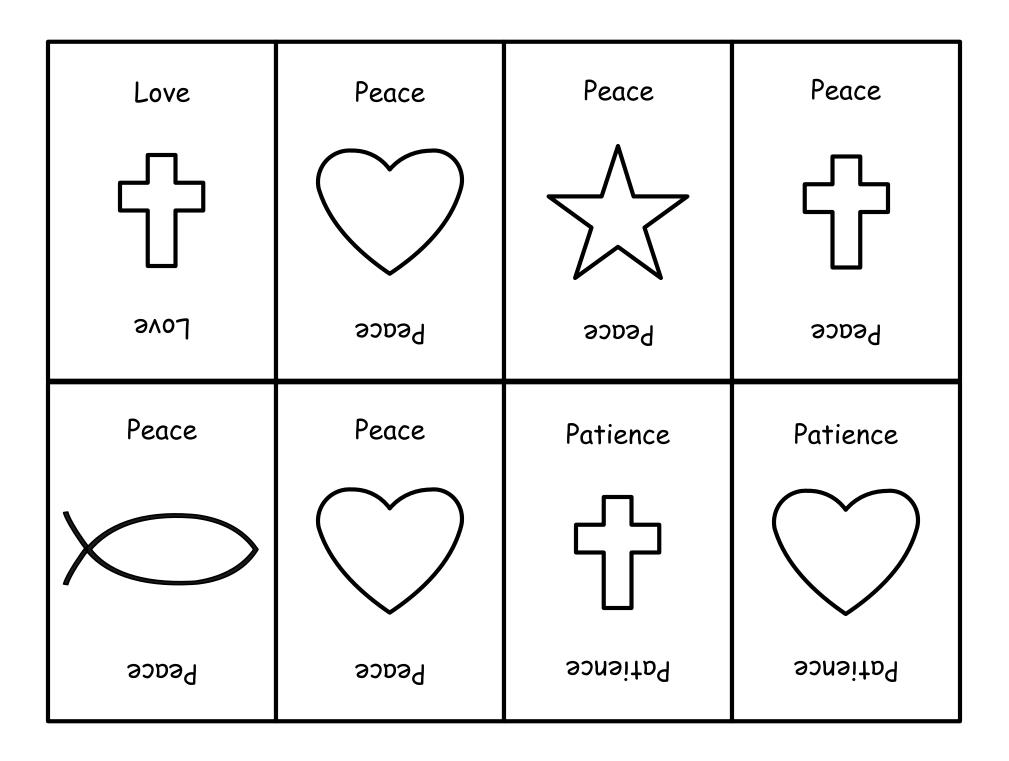


LOVE

Joy



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Love	Kindness	Kindness	Kindness
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Bible Puzzle

Fruit of the Spirit List in Code

The fruit of the Spirit is listed in Galatians 5:22-23. The Holy Spirit produces these qualities in the life of each Christian. You can decode the list here.



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 \overline{Q} \overline{L} \overline{B}



 $\overline{\mathsf{K}}$ $\overline{\mathsf{V}}$ $\overline{\mathsf{Z}}$ $\overline{\mathsf{X}}$ $\overline{\mathsf{V}}$



K Z G R V M X V



PRMWMVH





UZRGSUFOMVH





H V O U X L M G I L O

In this code, A stands for Z, Z stands for A, etc.

Do you let the Holy Spirit produce fruit in your life?