

We often use the word *helper* to describe someone who is well-meaning but not that powerful, like the sidekick to a superhero. But when Jesus told His disciples in John 16:7 that He was sending a helper, He was promising someone so much more than a sidekick! The Holy Spirit is the very fullness of God—fully powerful, fully wise, fully loving. The Holy Spirit *is* God, and just as Jesus promised, the Holy Spirit is with us! In this series, we'll see the Holy Spirit work through Paul, move in prison-breaking power, help us pray, and unite the church. The Holy Spirit isn't merely a sidekick; He is God, our helper!

SERIES OVERVIEW

Bible Story	Bible Passage	Wonder Truth
Paul's Missionary Journeys	Acts 16	God Works Through the Holy Spirit
Paul and Silas in Prison	Acts 16	The Holy Spirit Is Powerful
The Holy Spirit and Prayer	Romans 8	The Holy Spirit Helps Us Pray
The Body of Christ	1 Corinthians 12	The Holy Spirit Makes Us One Family

WORD OF WONDER

Those who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.
—Romans 8:14



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FAMILY WONDER QUESTIONS

- 1. Have you ever noticed God's Holy Spirit helping you? Tell about it.
- 2. What stories have you heard about God helping other people?
- 3. What is something our family needs the Holy Spirit to help us with?

FAMILY SPIRITUAL PRACTICES

- God Sightings: As Jesus-followers, God is actively involved in our daily lives, leading us, loving us, and moving in power. As a family, be on the lookout for "God sightings" moments when you are aware of God's presence. Pay attention to where the Holy Spirit is at work, from a beautiful sunset to feeling peace during a hard conversation. Consider keeping a "God Sightings" journal on your kitchen table that family members can write or draw in. Look at the journal together when you need a reminder that God is with you!
- One World, One Family: The Holy Spirit makes us one family with Jesus-followers all over the world! Look at a globe or a world map. Invite each family member to choose one location and to pray for the followers of Jesus there. Mark the locations with stars or stickers.
 Research each place and see what you can find out about the church in that area, and pray for their specific needs. Keep the map or globe out as a reminder to continue praying!



BREATH PRAYER

A breath prayer is a word or phrase to repeat in a single breath with one part on the inhale and the other part on the exhale. Breath prayers help us focus on God and His presence with us. Try this together as a family.

Inhale: Holy Spirit, ... Exhale: You are my help.

