

# Jesus Gives Us the Comforter

**Theme:** The Holy Spirit is our comforter.

**Object:** An oscillating fan and pieces of crepe streamer - one per child

**Scripture:** John 14:16

Set up the fan to move and blow over the children. Hand each of the children a piece of streamer to hold as you talk. Allow them to hold it up into the wind when it comes their way.

Today we are going to talk about something you can't see, but you know it's there. *(Turn on the fan)*

*Pretend to just begin feeling the wind. Act surprised and unaware of what you're feeling and what the source of the wind is.*

Do you feel that? What is it and where is it coming from? *(Allow kids to answer, but keep asking them to provide facts and proof of this wind they do not see.)*

So you're convinced there is wind here even though you don't see it? We can't see the wind, but we sure see what it's doing, don't we? I see it blowing some of your streamers, some of your hair is moving, and I also feel much cooler than I did before.

Do you know what this reminds me of in the Bible? *(Allow kids to guess.)* I'll give you a hint: It's an amazing gift left for us when Jesus returned to heaven to be with His Father. Do you know what it is now? *(Allow kids to guess.)*

Jesus promised us a helper and that helper is **the Holy Spirit**. We don't see the Holy Spirit because He lives inside of those of us believe that Jesus died to save us. But just like the wind from the fan today, even though we can't see the Holy Spirit, we know that He brings us God's comfort, peace and love to us to help us all through our lives.

**Let us pray; God, even though we can't see You, we know You are real. We also know Your Holy Spirit is real. Thank You for the comfort You bring us through the gift of Your Holy Spirit. In Jesus' name, amen.**

# The Comforter (Teddy Bear) Coloring Page



Jesus promises the Holy Spirit

John 14:15-21

"I will ask the Father. And he will give you another  
Friend to help you and to be with you forever. "  
John 14:16 (NIRV)

# The Comforter

## Group Activities

Sermon Title: ["The Comforter"](#)

Scripture Reading: John 14:15-21 I suggest that you read these verses so you are able to discuss the lesson with your children,

### **SECURE HIDE AND SEEK:**

Let children play HIDE and SEEK but the twist will be that when the SEEKER finds someone, they will take them to a SAFE place and will continue to seek others to place in the SAFE place until everyone is SAFE! (this could be as simple as tucked under a blanket or as complicated as inside a big box marked SAFE SPOT.

### **COMFORTER PULL RELAY:**

The children can be divided into two or more teams. Each team will be given an old "comforter" (blanket) and will take turns pulling their team mates from their team line to the finish line. Continue to play until everyone has a chance to pull or to be pulled, or as time allows. Tell children to listen to our lesson today and see if they can figure out WHO is "our" comforter!

### **SECURE COMFORT SCRAMBLE:**

The teacher will make a paper filled with letters from the SECURE COMFORT letters as well as other letters. Make enough copies of this paper so each child can be given a paper of letters that are scramble all over the paper. Children can then be given bright colored markers to trace the letters as they find them for SECURE COMFORT. Other words can be found in the "scramble" if the teacher desires, such as

GUIDING US, THANK YOU, HOLY SPIRIT, COUNSELOR, etc.

### **SECURE BALLOONS (Or KITES):**

Let children blow up balloons or put together a simple kite in groups or as individuals. Make sure that children tie a strong string or rope to the kite or balloons and let them know that the balloons (or kites) are SECURE and to listen to the story to see who else is secure in our lesson today!

### **GARDEN of Comfort**

Give each child some thin twigs or popsicle sticks to tape some plastic flags on. Stick in a flower pot or in the flower or veg. garden. Children can use permanent colorful markers to write on the plastic flag and to decorate with colorful butterflies, lady bugs and words from our lesson such as HOLY SPIRIT, SAFE PLACE, COMFORTER, HELPER, COUNSELOR, etc.

**COMFORTER BIBLE VERSE:** Give each child a small of piece of cotton or felt material to cut into a square. Glue ribbon or trim as desired to the edges of the square "comforter" and let children glue a piece of paper in the middle of the cloth with THE HOLY SPIRIT IS OUR COMFORTER, Bible verse, or other words as child desires from today's lesson. Children can then roll the "comforter" up and tie a ribbon around the cloth to hold in place. Remind children of Who our COMFORTER is and to use today's rolled up "comforter" to remind and to encourage each **child through out the week!**

**BOOK COVER:** Provide children with heavy card stock type of paper and cut to the size of a book or their Bible. Let children wrap the Bible or book with the colorful card stock paper and tape on the edges to SECURE the cover to the book. Let children decorate their book cover with words from today's lesson and today's Bible Verse,

etc. ( a blank book, made of folded computer paper, can be used as a journal of all the good and difficult things that happened during Covid 19.)

### **THANK YOU NOTES:**

Children can be given construction paper and markers, stickers, glitter, etc to make a folded THANK YOU note to God our Father for sending the Holy Spirit to be our comfort and our guide.. Stand the Thank You Notes on the classroom table and read them as the final prayer as children prepare to leave the class. More notes can be sent to thank someone who helps others during Covid 19.

### **SING A SONG: Jesus Loves Me**

**SNACK TIME:** Rice Crispy Squares are always a comfort food. The analogy can be drawn that the marshmallows are like the Holy Spirit who holds us together through good times and difficult times.

Scroll down for an activity for the older children.

# Jesus Promises the Holy Spirit

"And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever." John 14:16 (NIV)  
Unscramble the letters and write the word correctly in the space provided.



**John 14:16**

1. OBYE \_\_\_\_\_
2. LVOE \_\_\_\_\_
3. ISPTRI \_\_\_\_\_
4. SWHO \_\_\_\_\_
5. UESSJ \_\_\_\_\_
6. OWRDL \_\_\_\_\_
7. TRUHT \_\_\_\_\_
8. RTAFEH \_\_\_\_\_

FATHER	OBESY	JESUS	TRUTH
WORLD	SHOW	SPIRIT	LOVE