



CHILDREN'S CHURCH NEWSLETTER



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Hello my young heroes (yes that's everyone who is reading this newsletter),

Only one week to go before half-term, yeh! What have you been up to this week? Hasn't it been another wet and cold week? Never mind, it will soon be summer and hopefully a sunny one as well.

Ok, so this week is chapter 22 where God tests Abraham to see who he loves more, God or his son Isaac. It must have been difficult for Abraham but I am sure that he trusted God and knew that he would look after Isaac whatever happened.

Also, as it is Pentecost today I have also included some puzzles and a craft for the coming of the Holy Spirit. If you have the newsletter from 31st May 2020 you will have read chapter 2 of Acts where the Holy Spirit touched the heads of each disciple and gave them the gift to be able to talk to any person in their own language. How wonderful would that be to instantly be able to talk in another language and also understand what that person is saying to you?

So I hope you enjoy this week's edition.



God Tests Abraham Genesis Chapter 22

After these things God tested Abraham's faith. God said to him, "Abraham!" And he answered, "Here I am."

Then God said, "Take your only son, Isaac, the son you love. Go to the land of Moriah. There kill him and offer him as a whole burnt offering. Do this on one of the mountains there. I will tell you which one."

Early in the morning Abraham got up and saddled his donkey. He took Isaac and two servants with him. He cut the wood for the sacrifice. Then they went to the place God had told them to go. On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place in the distance. He said to his servants, "Stay here with the donkey. My son and I will go over there and worship. Then we will come back to you."

Abraham took the wood for the sacrifice and gave it to his son to carry. Abraham took the knife and the fire. So Abraham and his son went on together.

Isaac said to his father Abraham, "Father!"

Abraham answered, "Yes, my son."

Isaac said, "We have the fire and the wood. But where is the lamb we will burn as a sacrifice?"

Abraham answered, "God will give us the lamb for the sacrifice, my son."

So Abraham and his son went on together. They came to the place God had told him about. There, Abraham built an altar. He laid the wood on it. Then he tied up his son Isaac. And he laid Isaac on the wood on the altar. Then Abraham took his knife and was about to kill his son.

But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven. The angel said, "Abraham! Abraham!"

Abraham answered, "Yes."

The angel said, "Don't kill your son or hurt him in any way. Now I can see that you respect God. I see that you have not kept your son, your only son, from me."

Then Abraham looked up and saw a male sheep. Its horns were caught in a bush. So Abraham went and took the sheep and killed it. He offered it as a whole burnt offering to God. Abraham's son was saved. So Abraham named that place The Lord Gives. Even today people say, "On the mountain of the Lord it will be given."

The angel of the Lord called to Abraham from heaven a second time. The angel said, "The Lord says, 'You did not keep back your son, your only son, from me. Because you did this, I make you this promise by my own name: I will surely bless you and give you many descendants. They will be as many as the stars in the sky and the sand on the seashore. And they will capture the cities of their enemies. Through your descendants all the nations on the earth will be blessed. This is because you obeyed me.'"

Then Abraham returned to his servants. They all travelled back to Beersheba, and Abraham stayed there.

Pentecost Word-Find

M N C Y R E N E A T
E L A M I T E S I A
S V P R O M E E L S
O A P H R Y G I A I
P P A M P H Y L I A
O J D N G U P A G M
T E O P O N T U S E
A W C R E T A N S D
M S I J U D E A E E
I P A R T H I A N S
A R A B S L I B Y A

PARTHIANS
MEDES
ELAMITES
MESOPOTAMIA
JUDEA
CAPPADOCIA
PONTUS
ASIA
PHRYGIA
PAMPHYLIA
EGYPT
LIBYA
CYRENE
ROME
JEWS
CRETANS
ARABS

On Pentecost Sunday, when the apostles went out of the upper room, there was a great crowd in Jerusalem for the Jewish feast. So they began to tell the people the good news of Jesus. See if you can find the names of all the different kinds of people who were in the city listening to them.

All these people heard the apostles speaking in their

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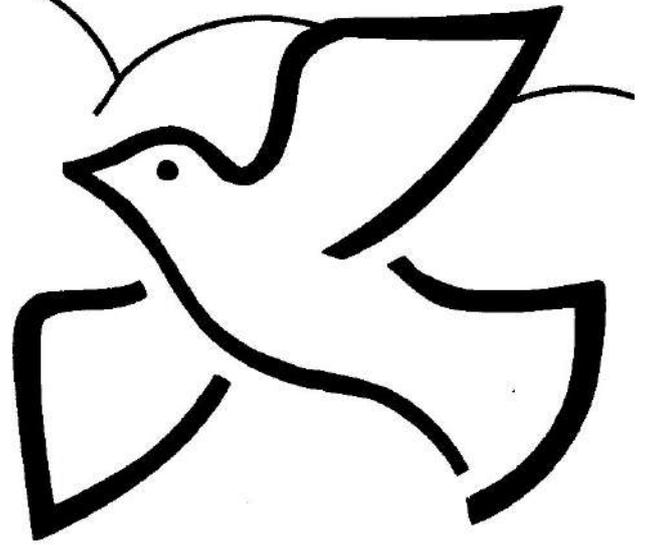
Work out the missing words by writing all the unused letters in the wordsearch grid in order, left to right and top to bottom.



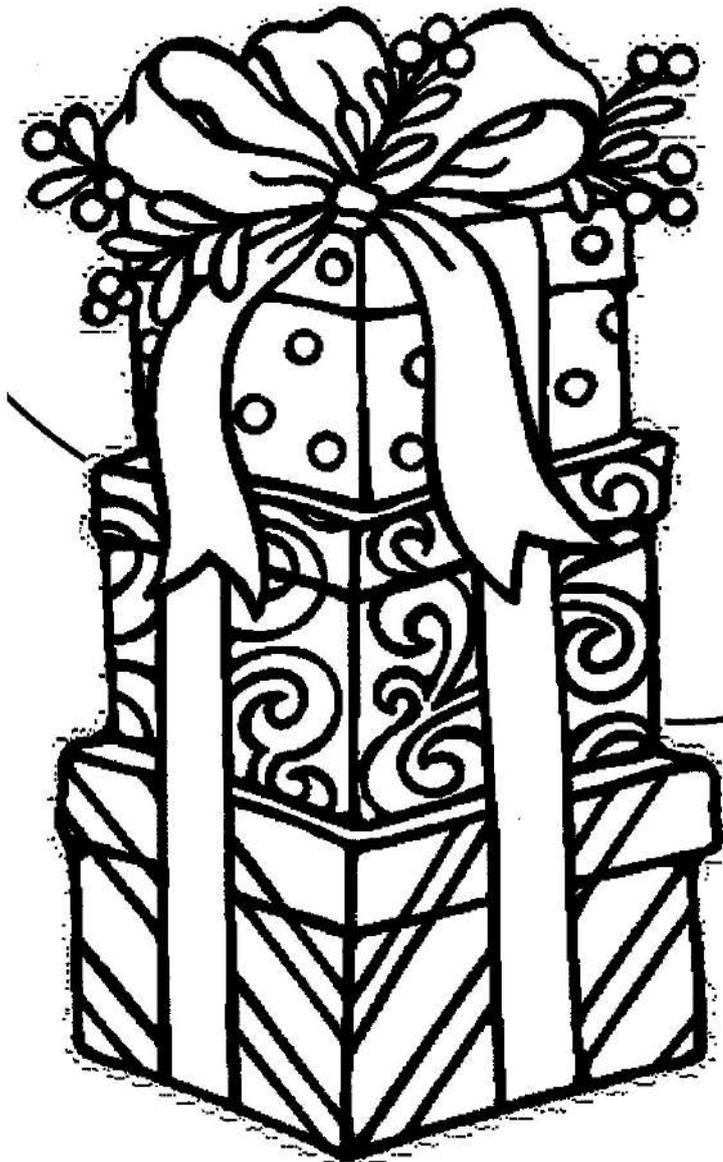
Colour me in - Pentecost Holy Spirit Gifts

A colouring page you could print and colour together

There are
different
kinds of gifts,



but they are
all from the
same Spirit.



1 Corinthians

12 v 4

Find 7 differences



Word Search - Abraham and Isaac

Circle the words from the story of Abraham and Isaac.

A	S	C	F	I	R	E	Z	U	I	N	G	O	W
A	K	J	E	N	M	A	C	D	O	N	D	K	E
F	B	U	R	N	T	O	F	F	E	R	I	N	G
Z	F	R	I	S	G	A	T	H	I	C	R	I	S
T	H	O	A	C	D	O	N	K	E	Y	P	F	E
H	Y	N	Q	H	R	A	R	O	W	S	H	E	K
I	M	D	O	Y	A	P	N	O	D	O	V	B	A
R	H	T	A	U	Q	M	R	E	M	T	O	R	M
D	E	H	F	R	O	S	D	A	I	G	R	D	O
D	F	I	C	B	H	D	R	S	O	O	I	G	R
A	E	C	L	I	S	A	A	C	N	D	A	K	I
Y	A	K	P	E	T	I	M	E	C	T	H	F	A
B	R	E	A	G	O	S	D	I	K	M	R	V	H
Z	M	T	E	C	I	F	I	R	C	A	S	I	O
K	I	N	D	L	I	N	G	H	W	H	I	K	R

Abraham

Isaac

Moriah

wood

worship

sacrifice

burnt offering

knife

third day

donkey

ram

fire

thicket

God

kindling



Flame Crowns

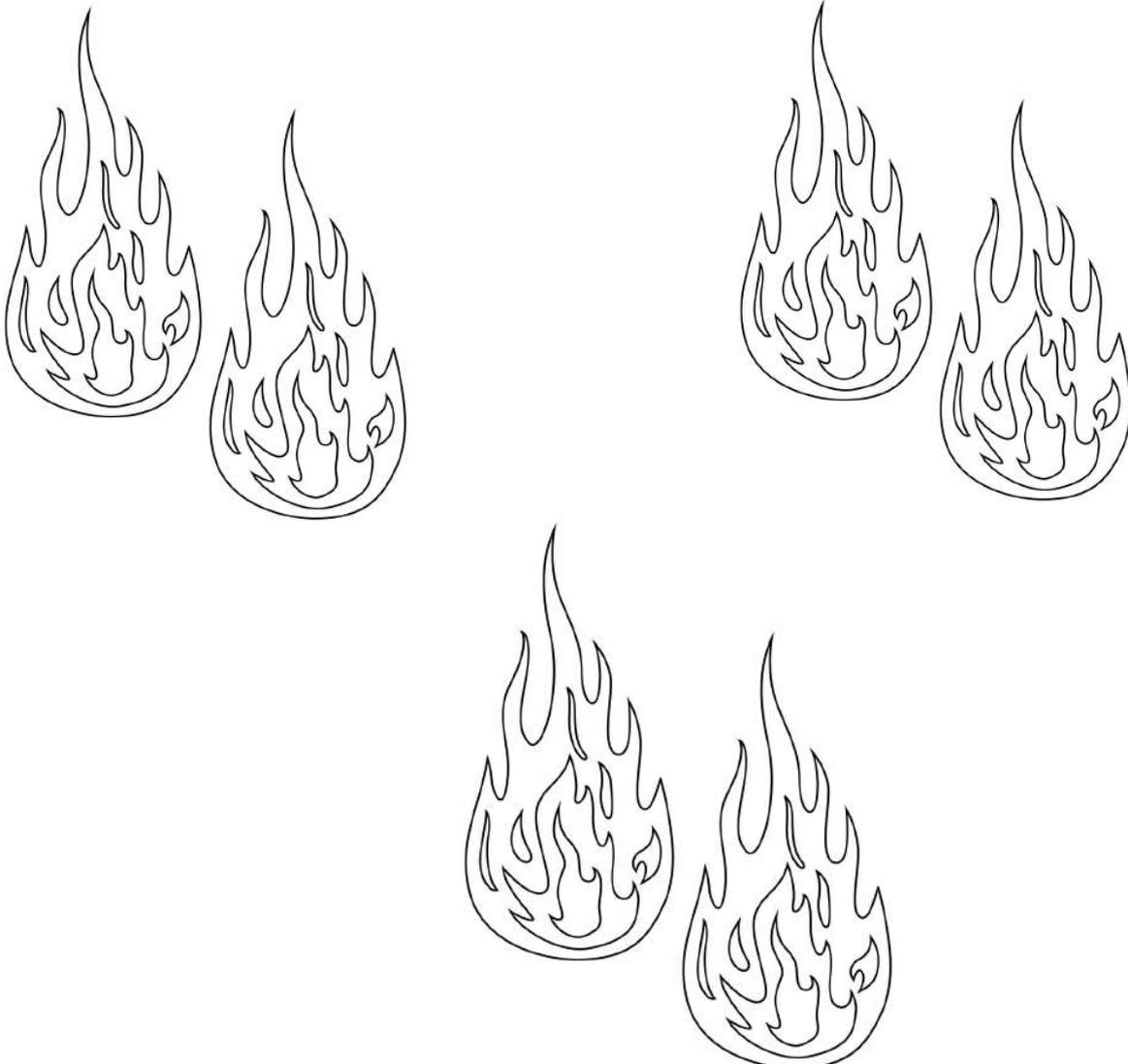
You will need:

- *Card*
- *Glue*
- *Colouring Pens*
- *Glitter*



Method:

1. Cut a strip of card big enough to go around your head.
2. Cut out a flame shape.
3. Colour in your flame and add some glitter.
4. Staple to your headband and staple your headband together to fit on your head.



Memory Verse for you to colour



Prayer

Let the Spirit come
like the winds that blow:
take away my doubts;
help my faith to grow.

Let the Spirit come
like a flame of gold:
warm my soul within;
make me strong and bold.
Amen.

Family Time

Because of his faith God promised to that Abraham would have as many descendants as there are stars in the sky. So how about, when you are up a little later when it goes dark (maybe at the weekend) looking up in to the sky to see if you can count the stars? Also, see if you can name some of the constellations.

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So, until next week I hope the weather is nice so you are not stuck inside for wet play at school. Have fun, take care and stay safe.

God bless, Jackie

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