



BIBLE BASICS

The Fruits of the Spirit

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Slide: Welcome

(Start kid's countdown once all classes are present.)

Hey kids! Welcome to Kid's Church. I'm so glad you could be here today.

Slide: Series Intro

Leader Tip: Bring in some gardening supplies and tell the kids you're going to grow some fruit in your garden. Have the kids help you come up with all the things you'll need to do it. Tell the kids that God wants to grow fruit in our lives but not the kind of fruit they're thinking.

Before we jump into our lesson this week, raise your hand and share your favorite fruit. (allow kids to answer). What makes fruit so good? (allow kids to answer). Right, fruit is sweet and yummy and we want to eat it more than broccoli or brussel sprouts! (If you used the Leader Tip, see if they know any of the fruits God wants to grow in us.)

In our lesson today, we're going to learn about the Fruits of the Spirit. We'll learn what they are and how God grows them in our lives!

We'll talk about that more in a minute, but first let's stand and sing.

Song

Song #1

Good job! I think God loves hearing all your voices praising him! Now let's say our Big Idea together.

Slide: Big Idea

All together: When we stay connected to Jesus, people will see the fruit! **(Repeat)**

Video

Play lesson video.

Slide: Recap

So, what did we learn from the video today? Let's review...

- Name one of the fruits of the Spirit. (See memory verse)
- Who lives in our hearts and helps us grow God's fruit? (Holy Spirit)
- True or False: God doesn't care how we act. (F)

That's is absolutely false. Jesus made a point to say that his followers will be known by how they speak and act. Our words and actions are like fruit. When we trust in Jesus and the Holy Spirit lives in our hearts, we will begin to produce fruit that reflects God's character. Meaning, our words and actions will be honoring to God because we're filled with his love and Truth. That's why people will know that we're followers of Jesus because we act in ways that honor God.

That reminds me of our memory verse. Let's all stand and say it together.

Slide: Memory Verse

"But the Holy Spirit (point to heart) produces this kind of fruit in our lives (count each one on a finger): love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self control." Ephesians 5:22-23 (Repeat)

Look at each of those fruits. Each one will shape how we speak and how we act. Think how much better our world would be if we all were more loving, patient and gentle. We would be great friends, we would be patient siblings and we'd be obedient to our parents.

So kids, remember how important it is to stay connected to Jesus. Do things like read your Bibles and pray and watch how God will grow his fruits more and more in your lives! And, when people see these fruits in your lives, they'll see Jesus in you and they'll want to know him, too!

Now, let's all stand and sing one last song together.

Song

Song #2

Okay, let's all say the Big Idea together one last time!

Slide: Big Idea

When we stay connected to Jesus, people can see the fruit!. **(Repeat)**

Slide: Let's Pray

Pray and release the kids to small group.