

GRACE kids

TERM 3 CURRICULUM



THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT 9 WEEK SERIES

This 9-week curriculum is designed to help children discover how the Holy Spirit shapes our hearts to become more like Jesus. Each week explores a different “fruit” from Galatians 5, through engaging Bible stories, hands-on activities, and meaningful discussions. Children will learn that these qualities grow in us not by trying harder, but by staying close to Jesus. The program encourages spiritual growth, Christlike character, and practical faith, helping kids understand that the Holy Spirit is always at work within them, producing fruit that reflects God’s love to the world.

Hook for Children: Have you ever seen fruit growing on a tree—like apples or oranges? Just like trees grow fruit when they’re healthy, our lives grow fruit when we stay close to Jesus! These fruits aren’t apples or bananas—they’re things like love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, and more!

But here’s the best part: we don’t grow these fruits by trying really hard. They grow in us because of what Jesus did on the cross. When we believe in Him, the Holy Spirit comes to live in us and helps us become more like Jesus every day. That’s the Gospel—the good news that Jesus saves us, changes us, and helps us live a life full of His fruit!

Week 1: LOVE

- Bible Story: “God’s Love and Ours” - 1 John 4:7-21
- Gospel Connection: God is love, and He showed it by sending Jesus to die for our sins. When we trust in Jesus, His Spirit helps us love others like He loves us. Love is a command from God and because He first loved us, we can love others too.

Week 2: JOY

- Bible Story: “Sarah’s Joy” - Genesis 21:1-7
- Gospel Connection: God kept His promise and gave Sarah a baby, bringing her great joy. Just like Sarah, we can have deep joy when we trust in God’s promises. Through Jesus, we have the greatest reason for joy—He saves us, loves us, and is always with us.

Week 3: PEACE

- Bible Story: “Abigail the Peacemaker” - 1 Samuel 25
- Gospel Connection: Through Abigail, we see how peace can stop anger and bring people back to God’s way. Instead of fighting, she chose kindness and wisdom to make peace between David and her household. Because Jesus made peace between us and God, we can choose peace too—even when things are hard—and help others do the same.

Week 4: PATIENCE/FORBEARANCE

- Bible Story: “Abraham’s Stars” - Genesis 17:1-6, 17
- Gospel Connection: God made a promise to Abraham, but Abraham had to wait patiently for many years to see it come true. Even when it was hard, he trusted God. When we follow Jesus, the Holy Spirit helps us be patient too—trusting that God always keeps His promises in His perfect time.

Week 5: KINDNESS

- Bible Story: “Rahab’s Kindness” - Joshua 2:2-13
- Gospel Connection: Rahab showed kindness by protecting the Israelite spies, even when it was risky. Her kind actions showed faith in God and helped others. When we follow Jesus, His Spirit helps us show kindness too—caring for others, even when it’s hard—just like God showed kindness to us through Jesus.

Week 6: GOODNESS

- Bible Story: “The Good Samaritan” - Luke 10:25-37
- Gospel Connection: In the parable of the Good Samaritan, a man chose to show goodness by helping someone others ignored. He cared, gave, and went out of his way to do what was right. When we follow Jesus, the Holy Spirit helps us live with goodness—treating others with love and doing what’s right, just like Jesus did for us.

Week 7: FAITHFULNESS

- Bible Story: “Ruth shows Faithfulness” - Ruth 1:6-22
- Gospel Connection: Ruth showed faithfulness by staying with Naomi, even when it was difficult. She chose to love, serve, and follow God no matter what. Her story reminds us that God is always faithful to us, and through Jesus, we see that faithfulness most clearly.

Week 8: GENTLENESS

- Bible Story: Gentleness in Grace - John 8:1-11
- Gospel Connection: A powerful story that displays Jesus’ gentleness to a woman others wanted to punish. He didn’t shame her—He forgave her and told her to live a new way. That’s how Jesus treats us too. When we follow Him, His Spirit helps us be gentle—kind and loving

Week 9: SELF-CONTROL

- Bible Story: Jesus’ Temptation in the Wilderness - Matthew 4:1-11
- Gospel Connection: Even Jesus was tempted in the desert, but He showed self-control by choosing God’s Word over sin. Through His strength we can have self-control, making wise choices that honor God.