# Fruits of the Spirit: Love

January 31, 2021 Kids@ The Ridge

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law." - Galatians 5:22-23



Read:

The Crucifixion (Matthew 27)

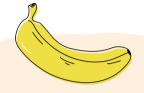
or

Jesus Storybook Bible: The Sun Stops Shining



Ask:

- How did Jesus show His love for us?
- How can we grow in our love for others?
- Who can we show love to this week?



Say:

Jesus loved us so much that he took on our punishment for our sin.

We now are called to love others and to grow in love.



#### Actions:

Listen to the song, "He Loves Us," by Ellie Holcomb.

Watch the movie, "Veggie Tales: Are you my neighbour?" (ps, you can borrow it from the church).

Draw a picture or write a card to someone you love.

Watch the movie, "You Are Mine," (ps, you can borrow it from the church).



### Prayer:

Take time to thank Jesus for loving us.

Take time to ask God who you should show love to this week?

Take time to ask God to help you grow in love.

# Fruits of the Spirit: Joy

February 7, 2021 Kids@ The Ridge

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law." - Galatians 5:22-23



Read:

The Story of the Shepherds (Luke 2)

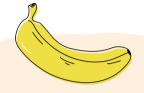
or

Jesus Storybook Bible: The Light of the World



Ask:

- What does this story teach us about joy?
- How can we share our joy about Jesus with others?



Say:

The Shepherds
were so joyful
when they
found out about
the saviour,
Jesus.

We too can be joyful. We can be full of joy because we too have Jesus as our saviour.



### Actions:

Listen to the song, "Joyful Noise," by Ellie Holcomb.

Listen to the song, "Sing," by Ellie Holcomb.

The next time you are feeling grumpy, think of three things you can do to bring you joy (playing, singing, coloring).

Memorize the verse James 1:2



### Prayer:

Take time to thank Jesus for coming to earth to save us.

Every day, tell God about one thing that brings you joy.

# Fruits of the Spirit: Peace

February 14, 2021 Kids@ The Ridge

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law." - Galatians 5:22-23



Read:

Jesus Calms the Storm (Mark 4:35-41)

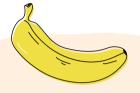
or

Jesus Storybook Bible: The Captain of the Storm



Ask:

- How is this story about peace?
- Where does our peace come from?
- How can we grow in peace this week?



Say:

Jesus calmed the storm, and there was peace.

Sometimes in our lives, we can be anxious, scared, or worried. But we can find our peace in Jesus.



### Actions:

Listen to the song, "Fear Not," by Ellie Holcomb.

Write a list of the things that scare you and pray about one every day.

Watch the movie, "VeggieTales: Where's God When I'm S-Scared," (ps, you can borrow it from the church).

Memorize the verse Joshua 1:9



Prayer:

Ask Jesus to give you peace.

Pick one thing that scares you, and pray about it.

Thank Jesus for giving you his peace.

# Fruits of the Spirit: Patience

February 21, 2021 Kids@ The Ridge

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law." - Galatians 5:22-23



Read:

Abraham and Sarah (Genesis 15)

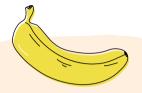
or

Jesus Storybook Bible: Son of Laughter



Ask:

- How long do you think Abraham waited for God to fulfill His promises?
- How can we practice being patient and waiting?



Say:

God promises
Abraham that
he would have
as many
descendants as
the stars in the
sky. Abraham
waited a long
time, but he
believed God
and God was
faithful. We too
can believe and
wait on God.



Actions:

Memorize the verse Ephesians 4:2

The next time you have to wait for something (snack time, play time, mom to come home) think of one thing that you can do in the meantime (color, sing, look at a book).

At school, practice patients by letting others go first.



Prayer:

Take time to thank God for fulfilling His promises.

Tell God about something you really want right now, then ask God to help you be patient.

# Fruits of the Spirit: Kindness

February 28, 2021 Kids@ The Ridge

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law." - Galatians 5:22-23



Read:

Zacchaeus (Luke 19)

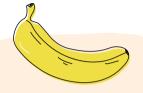
or

Jesus
Storybook
Bible:
The Man Who
Didn't
Have Any
Friends (None)



Ask:

- How is this story about kindness?
- How can we practice being kind to others?
- How can we grow in kindness this week?



Say:

Jesus showed
Zacchaeus
kindness, and
then
Zacchaeus'
heart was
changed, and
became kind.

God is kind to us, now we can be kind to others.



### Actions:

Do a random act of kindness every day this week (give someone in your class your favourite snack, play with someone who doesn't have many friends, write someone a card).

Memorize the verse Colossians 3:12

Watch the movie,
"VeggieTales: King
George and the Ducky,"
(ps, you can borrow it
from the church).



### Prayer:

Take time to thank God for showing us His kindness.

Take time to ask God who needs your kindness this week.

Ask God to help you grow in kindness.

# Fruits of the Spirit: Goodness

March 7, 2021 Kids@ The Ridge

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law." - Galatians 5:22-23



Read:

Psalm 23

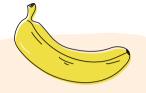
or

Jesus Storybook Bible: The Good Shepherd



Ask:

- Who is our good shepherd?
- How can we practice goodness?
- How can we grow in goodness this week?



Say:

Jesus is our good shepherd, and he is very good to us.

We can grow in goodness because Jesus was first good to us.



### Actions:

Read, "The Book of Psalms," an illustration book by Timothy R Both (ps, you can borrow it from the church).

Memorize the verse Psalm 23:6

Practice goodness by caring for a neighbour by baking them cookies this week.

Listen to the song,
"Light of your Love," by
Ellie Holcomb.



## Prayer:

Take time to thank God for His goodness.

Make a list of people who aren't doing well (a friend who had a bad day, a sick family member) and pray for one person every day.

# Fruits of the Spirit: Faithfulness

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Read:

The Flood &
God's Covenant
with Noah
(Genesis 8)

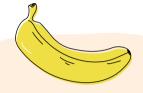
or

Jesus Storybook Bible: A New Beginning



Ask:

- What promises did God give Noah?
- How was God faithful?
- How can we be faithful?



Say:

God was
faithful to
Noah, He
remembered
Noah and the
animals in the
boat.

God is faithful to us too, and we can learn to be faithful. How can we practice faithfulness?



#### Actions:

Listen to the song, "Don't Forget His Love," by Ellie Holcomb.

Write a list of ways God has been faithful to you (given you a home, family, food to eat). Every day pick one thing to thank God for.

Watch the movie,
"VeggieTales: An Easter
Carol," (ps, you can
borrow it from the
church).

Pick a spiritual practice to do every day this week (praying, reading a Bible story, Life Journaling).



Prayer:

Take time to thank God for His faithfulness to you.

Think of a friend, and ask God how you can faithfully care for them this week.

# Fruits of the Spirit: Gentleness

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Read:

Sermon on The Mount (Matthew 6:25-34)

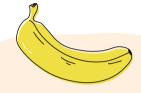
or

Jesus Storybook Bible: The Singer



Ask:

- How was God gentle in this story?
- How can we grow in gentleness?
- How can we show gentleness to others?



Say:

God is so gentle
with us. We
worry about all
sorts of things,
but God says we
do not need to
worry because he
takes care of us.

God wants us to be gentle to others because he is gentle with us.



#### Actions:

Listen to the song, "Do Not worry," by Ellie Holcomb.

The next time you are mad at someone (a friend, mom or dad, your siblings). Practice gentleness by naming three things you like about them.

Go for a walk and talk about the birds and the flowers that you see. Talk about the Bible story you read and how God is gentle to the birds and the flowers (and to you).



Prayer:

Take time to thank God for being gentle with us.

Take time to ask God who needs your gentleness this week.

Ask God to help you grow in gentleness.

# Fruits of the Spirit: Self-Control

March 27, 2021 Kids@ The Ridge

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Read:

The Fall of Man (Genesis 3)

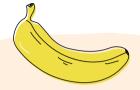
or

Jesus Storybook Bible: The Terrible Lie



Ask:

- What do we learn in this story about self-control?
- Did Adam and Eve show self-control?
- How can we practice self-control?



Say:

Adam and Eve
were tempted
and they
sinned. We get
tempted by sin
too (for
example, have
you ever
wanted to take
a cookie when
mom said no?)
But God allows
us to grow in
self-control.



### Actions:

Write down three ways you can practice self-control (telling yourself no, asking your mom for help, walking away) when you face struggles (wanting to take a cookie, upset that you can't do something, angry with a friend).

Memorize the verse 2 Timothy 1:7

Watch the movie, "VeggieTales: Rack, Shack, and Benny," (ps, you can borrow it from the church).



## Prayer:

Ask God for forgiveness for when you haven't shown selfcontrol.

Think of one thing
you have
struggled with
this week (not
being patient, not
getting along with
your siblings, not
listening). Ask
God for his
forgiveness.