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Acts 2:1-4

Use this resource at home to guide your household's daily devotions.



Pray: Light a candle. Open your devotion with prayer.

God of holy fire, when the time was right, you sent your Holy Spirit to empower your disciples. Inspire us yet today with your fire, that with burning hearts we might eagerly continue the work which they started, for the sake of our savior Jesus Christ. Amen.



Read: Read the key verse from Sunday's reading.

All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. (Acts 2:4)



Reflect: Reflect on the scripture summary.

Jesus may no longer walk the earth alongside his followers, but by no means is he absent. The disciples are about to get blown away by a new and powerful presence.



Connect: Connect in conversation with others in your household.

What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?

In light of God's promises, how do you make sense of the times in life when God's presence seems terribly far away? How do you make sense of evil?

How do others know you are a child of God?

For the littles: Have you ever seen a glowing campfire, a roaring fireplace, or a lit candle? What did it look like? Was it hot? God's Holy Spirit is like the fire you saw—hot and alive!



Bless: Close your devotion with a blessing.

May God's Holy Spirit burn within you. Amen.



Do: By acting on what we learn, we make God's word come alive. Do the following activity this week.

In honor of Pentecost, light a fire (safely, in a fireplace or outdoor fire pit). As the wood burns, consider how God's Holy Spirit is like the fire. How can you use the image to shape your behaviors this week as someone who can never be separated from God's love?



Go Deeper: Go to clergystuff.com/daily-devotions for devotions on the daily readings.

Monday, Romans 8:18-39, *Pentecost*

Tuesday, Romans 14:1-12, *Do Not Judge Another*

Wednesday, Romans 14:13-23, *Do Not Make Another Stumble*

Thursday, Romans 15:1-13, *Gospel for All*

Friday, Romans 15:14-21, *Paul's Reason for Writing So Boldly*

Saturday, Romans 15:22-33, *Paul's Plan to Visit Rome*