L2.29 "Pentecost and the Firstfruits"



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Read Together: Through the annual Festivals, God has revealed to the Church His plan to offer salvation to every human being who has ever lived. The first steps in God's plan are revealed with Passover and the Days of Unleavened Bread which picture Christ's sacrifice for our sins and our response to His sacrifice by repenting of our sins. The next Holy Day is the Feast of Pentecost or "The Feast of Weeks". Once a person is called to God's way of life and repents of breaking His law they are baptized into the body of Christ, His church. After being

baptized, the person has hands laid on them to ask God to give them His Holy Spirit.Once a person receives God's Spirit, they are then sanctified—set apart for good works, and become one of God's firstfruits. The Day of Pentecost pictures the harvest of firstfruits, the beginning of God's spiritual harvest of all people into His family

Read Together: Leviticus 23:15–22; John 6:44; Acts 2:38–39; Romans 6:3–4; Acts 8:14–17; Galatians 2:20; Titus 3:8; James 1:18.

Discuss:

- Ask your child to explain in their own words the meaning of the feast of Pentecost in God's plan of salvation.
- Discuss with your child the meaning of repentance. When we repent, we stop breaking God's laws and start to obey them.
- Explain to your child that even though they are too young to be baptized, they can begin to follow God's laws now and reap the blessings from doing so. Children of those with God's spirit are still set apart for a special purpose.

Review Memorization.

Acts 2:38 "Then Peter said to them, 'Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.'"