

# LIVE BIG.

## May Bible Verse

“The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.”

Galatians 5:22-23

### May 3, 2009

#### Ezekiel - Dry Bones

Ezekiel 37:1-14

God told Ezekiel to speak to the dry bones in the field and make them come back to life. God did such things to get the attention of the Israelites. When Ezekiel spoke, the bones began to come together. Have your child draw (or you can draw) a body. See how many parts on the body your child can name. Try the basic ones like head, eyes, ears, and so on. Then try some harder ones like elbow, knee, ankle, shoulder, and waist. Ask your child what happened when Ezekiel spoke to the bones like God told him to do.

### May 10, 2009

#### Fruits of the Spirit (Love, Joy, Peace)

Galatians 5:22-23

Your child heard about love, joy, and peace this week. They are ours when we try to live our lives like God wants us to live. Use the tune of “The Wheels on the Bus” with these words and teach the song to your child. When you sing “love,” cross your hands over your heart. When you sing “joy,” point to the smile on your face. When you sing “peace,” then show the sign for peace by making a fist and holding up only the index finger and the middle finger.

Oh, God gives to me  
Love, joy, and peace,  
Love, joy, and peace,  
Love, joy, and peace.  
Oh, God gives to me  
Love, joy, and peace.  
Love - joy - and peace.

# May

## May 17, 2009

### Fruits of the Spirit (Patience, Kindness, Generosity)

Galatians 5:22-23

One of the fruits of the Spirit that your child learned about this week is kindness. Work together with your child to bake a special treat and then take it to someone you know. As you “Bake and Take” together with your child, remind him or her that God wants us to be kind to others.

## May 24, 2009

### Fruits of the Spirit (Faithfulness, Gentleness, Self-Control)

Galatians 5:22-23

Make “Memory Game” type cards. Draw nine different fruits on index cards and make two of each one. (Try any of these: apple, banana, orange, grapes, peach, lemon, strawberry, cherries, watermelon, pineapple, limes, or pears.) Let your child help you color the fruits before you play the matching game. Now write one of the “fruits” of the Spirit on each set of cards. Read Galatians 5:22-23 to find them. Your child will not need to read the words, but you can mention them as you play the game. The words will be familiar to them since they have heard them in their Bible lessons these last few weeks. Turn all eighteen cards upside down. Let your child choose two cards and see if they match. If not, turn them back over. If they do match, your child gets to keep the cards. Now you can take a turn. Continue until all the matches have been found.

## May 31, 2009

### Pentecost

Acts 2:1-21, 37-47

A loud noise like a strong wind was heard as the people gathered for Pentecost. Help your child make his or her own wind by making a fan with paper plates. Write the word “Pentecost” in block letters on the bottom side of both paper plates. Your child can color inside the letters. He or she can color other decorations on the plates as well. Now attach a paint mixing stick or large craft stick to the other side of one of the plates. Put the plates together so that the word “Pentecost” shows on the outside. Staple them together. As your child “fans” him or herself, see what they remember about the wind in the Bible lesson this week.