

# 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

Go to <http://www.kididdles.com/lyrics/alpha.html> on the internet. Scroll down and click on the letter “D.” Then find the song “Dry Bones” and click on the title. You can listen to the song with your child and have fun learning to sing it together this week.

### May 10, 2009

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

Galatians 5:22-23

Your child heard about love, joy, and peace that comes from living like God wants us to live. The dove is a symbol for peace. To make a dove puppet, cut out a 9x9-inch square of white paper. Turn it so that it looks like a diamond. Put a dot in the very center of the shape. Fold the top point inward so that it touches the dot. Do the same for the left and right points. Leave the bottom one out. Put a piece of tape where the three points come together. On the top flap, draw some eyes. Then add a beak where the three tips come together. Snip along the edge of the bottom flap that was left out to make the dove's tail. Let your child slip his or her hand into the puppet and fly the dove around. You can tell your child that the dove is a symbol for peace. See what your child remembers about peace from the Bible lesson.

### 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 was generosity. Think with your child about something the two of you can do together to be generous to someone else. It may be cleaning out a toy box and sharing used toys with an organization that gives them to children. Your child may want to do chores and earn some money that can be given to the church or another charity. Brainstorm what you can do together and then do it.

# May

## May 24, 2009

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

Galatians 5:22-23

Your child has been hearing about “fruits of the Spirit.” There are nine of these mentioned in Galatians 5:22-23. Get nine sheets of paper and write one on each paper. Spread them out on the floor. Give your child a beanbag or a sock ball to toss. See if he or she can land it on any one of the papers. Help your child to read the word. Remind your child that these are gifts that God gives us when we live our lives like God wants us to live. To make the game more challenging, make up other words and write them on paper, too. Place them on the floor with the others. If the beanbag or sock ball lands on a word, see if your child can tell you if that word is one of the “fruits” of the Spirit that he or she has learned from the Bible lessons the last few weeks. Help him or her read Galatians 5:22-23 to find the answers.

## May 31, 2009

### **Pentecost**

Acts 2:1-21, 37-47

When Pentecost came, many people from many places gathered together for the celebration. Make a snack mix that reminds your child of all the different people that gathered together. You can mix pretzels, candy corn, raisins, marshmallows, and M&Ms®. God loved all the different people from all the different places. That is what the disciples taught them that day, too - that God’s love was for all of them.