



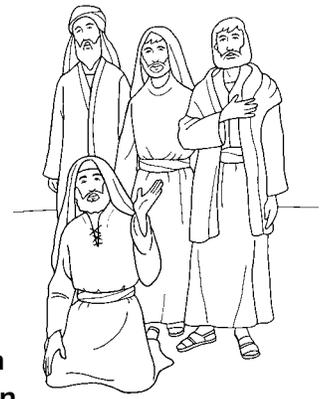
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## ☆Let's Talk

**SAY** One night, Jesus told his disciples that he was going to leave them soon and go back to his Father. He was going to prepare a home in heaven so that one day all God's family could be with him forever.

**ASK** Look at the picture. *What do you think the disciples might have said when Jesus told them he was going back to his Father in heaven?*

**SAY** They might have said, "What will happen to us when Jesus leaves? Who will teach us about God? Who will help us trust and obey? Who will comfort us when we are sad or afraid?"

**ASK** Jesus told his disciples not to be afraid. He said God would send the Holy Spirit. *What would the Holy Spirit do?*

**SAY** After Jesus left, the Holy Spirit would come to live in God's people. The Holy Spirit would be their helper and he would be with them always.

**ASK** *How does the Holy Spirit help God's children?*

**SAY** The Holy Spirit is God. We cannot see him, but he lives within each person in God's family and gives us the power we need to live for Jesus. He teaches us when we hear God's Word. The Holy Spirit comforts us and makes us strong. He helps us remember God's Word and helps us obey.

## ☆Let's Sew

- 1** Cut out large red hearts, one for each child. Paste each heart on cardboard. Use a hole puncher to punch holes an inch or two apart around the edge of each heart. At one hole, tie a piece of colorful yarn for sewing. Add tape around the other end to make for easier threading. Show the children how to thread the yarn in and out of the holes.
- 2** As they work, remind children that the Holy Spirit came to change the hearts of people, help them trust in Jesus as Savior, and help them grow in trusting and obeying God.

## ☆Let's Pray

Gather in a circle. Lead children in saying this prayer.

Dear God, thank you for giving your Spirit to each of your children. Thank you that he changes our hearts. Thank you that he helps us grow in trusting and obeying you. In Jesus' name, Amen.