

March 22: God helps His people through the Holy Spirit

Parents

Here is our suggestion for how to use this resource with your children:

- Read the Bible story together.
- Watch the children's message together.
- Read John 16:8-11 together and discuss how the Bible story from Exodus shows God's righteousness.
- Print a coloring or activity page related to the Bible story (linked below) for your child.
- Read or recite the memory verse together each day of the coming week.

Bible Story: God Leads with Pillars of Cloud and Fire Exodus 13:17-22

Crossing the Sea

¹⁷ When Pharaoh let the people go, God did not lead them on the road through the Philistine country, though that was shorter. For God said, "If they face war, they might change their minds and return to Egypt." ¹⁸ So God led the people around by the desert road toward the Red Sea. The Israelites went up out of Egypt ready for battle.

¹⁹ Moses took the bones of Joseph with him because Joseph had made the Israelites swear an oath. He had said, "God will surely come to your aid, and then you must carry my bones up with you from this place."

²⁰ After leaving Sukkoth they camped at Etham on the edge of the desert. ²¹ By day the LORD went ahead of them in a pillar of cloud to guide them on their way and by night in a pillar of fire to give them light, so that they could travel by day or night. ²² Neither the pillar of cloud by day nor the pillar of fire by night left its place in front of the people.

Children's Message

To watch, click here or cut and paste into your browser: https://home.ipc-zurich.org/22-march-2020/childrens-message-22-march-2020/

Attribute of God: Righteousness John 16:8-11

⁸ When he comes, he will prove the world to be in the wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: ⁹ about sin, because people do not believe in me; ¹⁰ about righteousness, because I am going to the Father, where you can see me no longer; ¹¹ and about judgment, because the prince of this world now stands condemned.

Discuss:

God wants us to do what is right, and the Holy Spirit helps lead us to do what is right. How did the Holy Spirit lead Moses and the Israelites in the Bible story?

Activity Pages

For a printable coloring page, click here:

https://home.ipc-zurich.org/content/uploads/2020/03/March-22-coloring-page.pdf

For a variety of printable activity pages, click here:

https://home.ipc-zurich.org/content/uploads/2020/03/22-March-Activity-Pages.pdf

For a printable flip book, click here:

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Memory Verse - Psalm 143:10

"Teach me to do your will, for you are my God; may your good Spirit lead me on level ground."

For children under 6: "May the Holy Spirit teach me to do right."