# May 27, 2018 Toddlers

Bible Story Focus: The Fruit of the Spirit

Galatians 5:16-26

**Key Passage:** The new is here - 2 Corinthians 5:17

Main Point: God helps us love Him

## **Story Time**

Gather children on a rug or in a specific area of the classroom to tell the story. Some kids (especially the younger ones) may wander. That's okay. They're still listening and learning!

#### What You Do: Introduce the story

When we ask Jesus to forgive us of our wrong choices, He does! We become Jesus' followers. Paul wrote a letter to tell Jesus' followers that just like a tree grows and gives fruit, the Holy Spirit helps us grow to be more like Jesus. The Holy Spirit helps us love others. He helps us feel joy and peace even when sad things happen. He gives us patience to wait for His help. He helps us treat others with kindness and gentleness. He helps us do what is good. He helps us keep our promises like God does. He helps us control our thoughts, actions, and words. These things are called the fruit of the Spirit

#### PLAY BIBLE STORY VIDEO

Check diapers and serve snack.

### **Craft Time**

Gather small groups of children around you at a table for toddler craft time. Depending on the size of your group, you may lead the craft two or three times. Not every child may want to participate in craft time. That's okay. Feel free to send home the craft materials for them to complete with their mom or dad.

#### FRUIT SCENTED ART

What You Need: "Fruit of the Spirit" Activity page and fruit scented markers.

Provide a Fruit of the Spirit activity page for each child. Help them to us the fruit scented markers to color it.

**SAY: GOD HELPS US LOVE HIM.** God gives the Holy Spirit to people who love Jesus. The Holy Spirit helps us love Jesus.