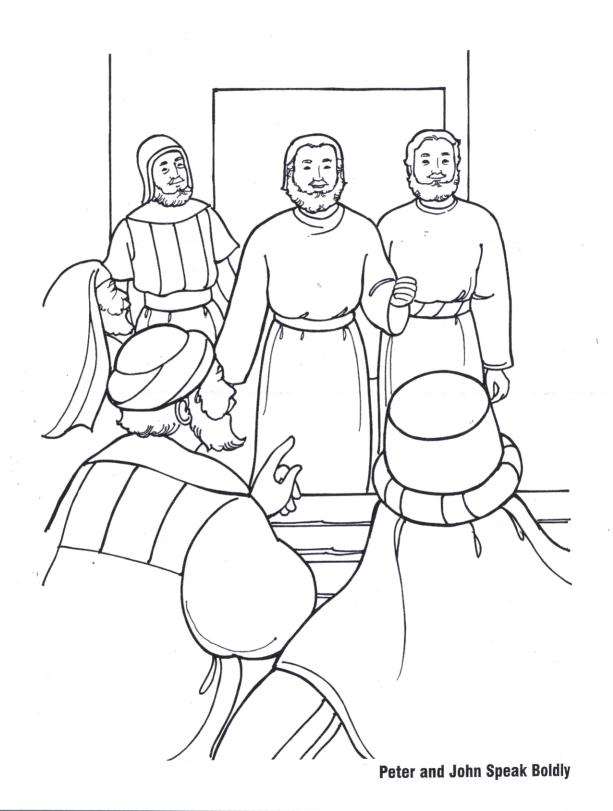


The Descent of the Holy Spirit—Pentecost



Acts 1, 2—The Church Begins Church Begins Book

Supplies

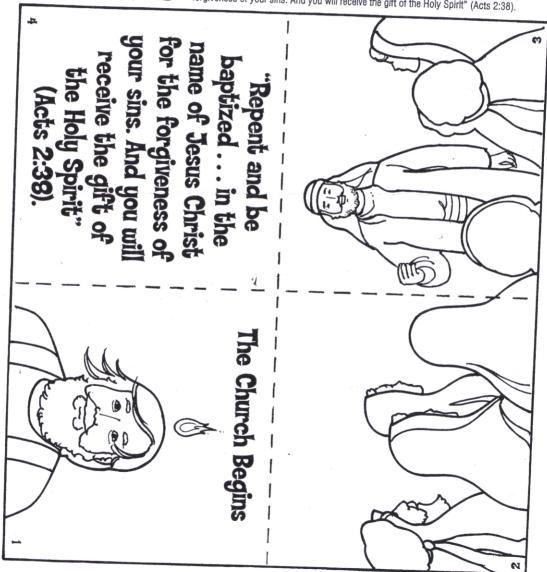
copies of the Church Begins Book for each child crayons or markers scissors



Directions

Color and cut out the Church Begins Book and fold along the dotted line so that scenes one and four are behind scenes two and three. Fold the book in half again so that scene one shows on the front and scene four is on the back. Use the Church Begins Book to retell the story of how the church began:

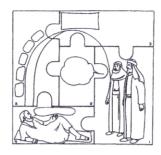
- The disciples were gathered on the Day of Pentecost. A sound like a blowing wind filled the house where they were, and what looked like tongues of fire came to rest on each of them.
- A crowd gathered because people from all different nations heard the disciples speaking in their own languages.
- Peter stood up and spoke to the crowd. The crowd asked what they should do to be saved.
- Peter told the crowd, "Repent and be baptized . . . in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit" (Acts 2:38).



Acts 3—Peter and John at the Temple **Temple Gate Puzzle**

Supplies

copies of the Temple Gate Puzzle (preferably on white card stock) for each child crayons or markers scissors





Directions

Color and cut out the Temple Gate Puzzle pieces. Assemble pieces 1 through 5 as you retell the first half of the story of Peter and John at the temple:

- 1) Peter and John were going to the temple (piece 1).
- 2) On their way they saw a disabled man being brought to the temple gate called Beautiful (add pieces 2 and 3).
- 3) The man asked Peter and John for money (add piece 4).
- 4) Peter said he did not have money to give the man but told him instead to get up and walk in the name of Jesus (piece 5). Remove pieces 2, 4 and 5 and replace them with pieces 6, 7, and 8 as you finish the story.
- 5) The man jumped to his feet (replace pieces 4 and 5 with pieces 6 and 7).
- 6) The people were amazed at what had happened (replace piece 2 with piece 8).

(See the examples of the two finished puzzles for reference.)

