Sept. 18: Session 3

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Today girls and boys finished their study of the book of Romans by learning about the work of the Holy Spirit. God has revealed Himself to us as God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit (the Trinity). Kids may have a lot of questions about the Trinity. Adults may have lots of questions about the Trinity. It is something beyond our earthly understanding because God is always more than we can comprehend. Paul explained to the Christians in Rome that the Holy Spirit dwells in all who have repented of their sin and trusted Jesus as Savior and Lord. The Spirit guides Christians and helps them live more like Jesus. Share with your family a time the Holy Spirit helped you live more like Jesus. Then check out the discussion questions on the back of this week's Family Card.

BIBLE PASSAGE: Romans 8

MEMORY VERSE: Ephesians 2:4-5

BIBLE VERSE: Romans 8:14

OLDER KIDS TEXT TRUTH: The Holy Spirit dwells in Christians and leads them to live sanctified lives.

YOUNGER KIDS TEXT TRUTH: The Holy Spirit lives in Christians and helps them to live more like Jesus.

The Work of the Holy Spirit: Romans 8

In his letter to the Romans, Paul also wrote about the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is a special gift from God to those who have repented of their sin and trusted Jesus as Savior and Lord. Paul wrote, "There is no judgment of sin for those who follow Jesus. God sent His own Son as a sin offering to pay the price for sin. Believers can resist sin because believers now follow the Holy Spirit. When you follow the Holy Spirit, you think about the things that are important to God like life, peace, and what is good and right."

Paul continued, "Those who believe in Jesus are led by God's Spirit. God has adopted you, and the Spirit tells you that you are children of God. The Holy Spirit helps you not to fear because you can always call out to God, your Father. If you face tough times because of your faith in Jesus, you can remember that one day Jesus will return and you will be with Him for eternity. All of creation eagerly is waiting for Jesus to come again."

Paul also explained to the believers that the Holy Spirit helps them when they are weak. The Spirit will pray for them when they do not know what to pray.

Finally, Paul said, "All things work together for the good of those who love God, to those who are called for His purpose. Remember during tough times that God is for you. Jesus died and was raised. He is sitting at the right hand of God praying for you. Who can separate God's people from God's love? Not death. Not life. Not angels. Not rulers. Not height. Not depth. Nothing created can separate God's people from His love that was given through Jesus' death and resurrection."