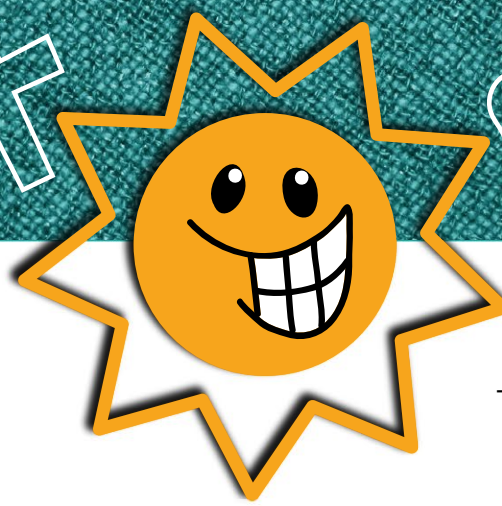


Week 28

Day 1



Jehovah Rocks:

Even powerful kings and world leaders in charge of whole countries bow down before You. You are the owner of the earth and all of us in it. (Psalm 47:9)

See It:

'If you love Me, you will obey the things I tell you to do. And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Counselor to be with you forever—the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept Him, because it doesn't see Him or know Him. But you know Him, for He lives with you and will be in you. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you.' (1 John 14:15-18)

On It:

We hope you now know doctrine three, and will know that the Holy Spirit is God, just like Jesus and the Father are. They are all separate and have different roles, but they are also all one. The Holy Spirit's role is to live in us so that when we need to be like Jesus, the Holy Spirit is able to help us. The Holy Spirit is like our fuel and without fuel we can't run. The Holy Spirit helps us to 'be' Jesus to others instead of just acting sort of like Jesus. Now sometimes it's hard to know exactly who the Holy Spirit is. Let's start by saying, the Holy Spirit is a person, so we don't call Him an 'it'. Second, the Holy Spirit lives within us once we have rejected our sin and believe in Jesus. This is why the world doesn't know Him, because the world has not first received Jesus. Third, He is always with us! We have God living in us, directing our steps and helping us every day. That is amazing! Praise You, Holy Spirit!

Live It:

'We believe that repentance towards God, faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, and regeneration by the Holy Spirit, are necessary to salvation.' This means that to be saved, we need to repent, believe in Jesus and have the Holy Spirit within us. There is no other way to be saved by God and live eternally.

Do It:

Try to make a list of all the Bible characters you know.



In It:

Thank You, Holy Spirit that you can fill me and make me completely new!

Eat It:

'Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!' (2 Corinthians 5:17) Memorize this verse this week.

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read Micah 1-4 & Hebrews 6

Week 28

Day 2



Jehovah Rocks:

I want to praise You and I want Your whole glory and wonder to be seen all over the earth. (Psalm 57:5)

See It:

'But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.' (John 14:26)

On It:

Have you ever seen one of those commercials where they are trying to sell you something that you've never seen in the shops? You know, like a crazy dusting device or a miraculous kitchen cloth? They show you how it works and then say, 'but wait, there's more!' And they go on to add another fourteen items before telling you how much it costs? Sometimes I feel like people do that when they are talking about the Holy Spirit. Sometimes people are a little scared of Him because they don't quite understand what He does or what He wants. Well, this will not be the case for you! The following few days will be spent teaching you about the Holy Spirit. And by the end of it, you will be best friends. You see, Holy Spirit is a gift given to us by the Father. And having Him in our lives means that we can feel connected, not only to the things Jesus taught, but to Jesus and the Father Himself! Wow, that beats any Christmas present I've ever given.

Live It:

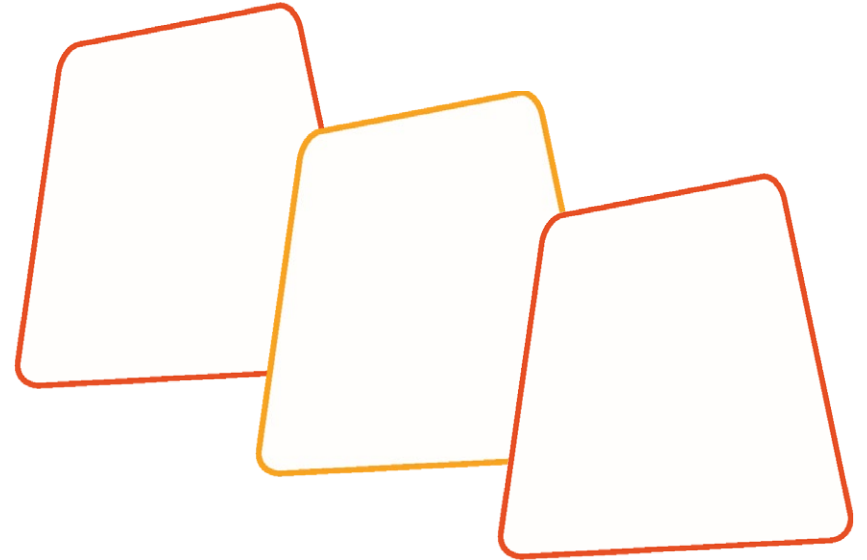
'We believe that we are justified by grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ and that he that believeth hath the witness in himself.' This one is teaching us that we are saved through Jesus, and that we can tell others all about Jesus giving us salvation.

Do It:

Can you recite all the doctrines we have learned so far? Speak them out loud to someone in your family.

In It:

Thank God for three people who live on your street.



Eat It:

2 Corinthians 5:17
'If anyone is in Christ.' What a great line, eh?! 'In Christ.' Are you in Christ? You should always stay 'in Christ.' Anyone can be in Christ. And we want to get everyone to be in Christ.

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read Micah 5-7 & Hebrews 7

Week 28

Day 3



Jehovah Rocks:

Not only will everybody on earth praise You and know Your glory, everyone in Heaven will praise You, too!
(Psalm 57:11)

See It:

'The Spirit gives life; the flesh counts for nothing. The words I have spoken to you are Spirit, and they are life.' (John 6:63)

On It:

Here are some of the amazing things the Holy Spirit can and will do in your life. The Holy Spirit creates life and is life. He was around during creation of course and was part of the creation of the universe and of animals and humans! He is very creative. He is also wonderful at glorifying Jesus. We are told in John 4:24 that we are to worship in spirit. You see Jesus is worthy of all praise, so when we connect with the Spirit while we worship, Jesus is going to be honoured big time! And the final thing we will learn today, the Spirit unites all the believers. You know how sometimes people get on our nerves? Well, if we let that happen in The Army, we would end up fighting amongst ourselves. And that would be a bad example for people who don't yet know Jesus. So, the Holy Spirit helps us to get along so that when people come to The Army, they feel like they are walking straight into Heaven!

Live It:

'We believe that continuance in a state of salvation depends upon continued obedient faith in Christ! So, you can't say you are saved one minute and then turn your back on Jesus and expect to still be saved forever. You have to continue to follow Him if you want to end up in the same place for all eternity.

Do It:

Make a list of things you would like your parent to remind you to do so that you can stay obedient.



In It:

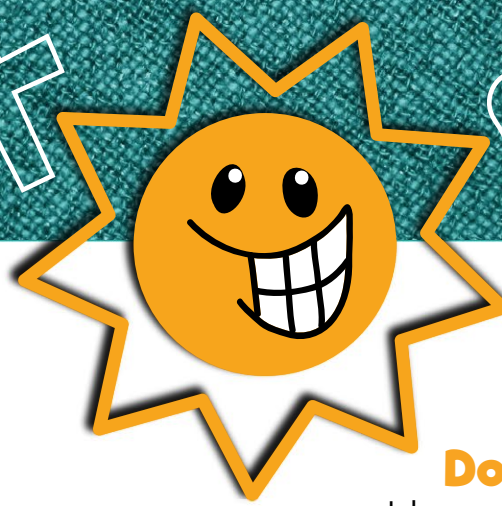
Holy Spirit have Your way in me!

Eat It:

2 Corinthians 5:17
'He is a new creation.' Now that goes for women and men and boys and girls (he or she). Isn't it amazing?! A new creation. Memorize this verse.

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read Isaiah 8-10 & Hebrews 8



Jehovah Rocks:

It is so nice to just sit and be quiet and know that You are here. Thank You, Yahweh. (Psalm 84:1)

See It:

'But in fact, it is really good for you that I go away, because if I don't, the Holy Spirit won't come. If I do go away, then I will send Him to you. And when He comes, He will convict the world of its sin, and of God's righteousness, and of the coming judgement.' (John 16:7-8)

On It:

Okay, so we already know some of the good things the Holy Spirit does. But there's more! The passage above sounds kind of harsh, but it is one of the greatest things about the Holy Spirit. He searches us and finds our sin! Think about it - if you didn't know you had sinned, then you wouldn't be able to repent. And if you don't repent, you can't draw near to God. And if you don't stay close to God, life ends up being pretty miserable. So, really, He is doing us a great favour by digging up the yucky, filthy sin lurking in our heart. And once He has done that, He gives us life! John 3:5-6 tells us that it is the Holy Spirit that enables us to be born again which gives us a ticket into Heaven for eternity! And how do we know we are saved? He tells us that, too! Romans 8:16 says, 'For His Spirit joins with our spirit to affirm that we are God's children.' He speaks to us and moves us from just thinking we are saved, to knowing with all our heart that we are saved. It's not us who does that. It's the Holy Spirit. He is awesome!

Live It:

'We believe that it is the privilege of all believers to be wholly sanctified, and that their whole spirit and soul and body may be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.' We know that we can be cleaned of all our sins! No more moping about sad because we

are not blameless... we are made clean and blameless and can be with God.

Do It:

I dare you to ask God to reveal any sin that you have hidden in your heart.

In It:

Imagine Jesus was sitting right in front of you. Ask Him who He would like you to pray for.



Eat It:

 2 Corinthians 5:17

'The old has gone.' If there are any regrettable things in your life, any big sins, any bad problems – they are gone once you get saved by Jesus.

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read Isaiah 11-14 & Hebrews 9

Week 28

Day 5



Jehovah Rocks:

Please continue to show me Your love and Your salvation. I cannot live without it. (Psalm 85:7)

See It:

'John said to them all, "I baptize you with water. But one more powerful than I is coming, the thongs of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. He is ready to separate the chaff from the wheat. Then He will clean up the whole threshing area, putting the wheat in the barn and burning the chaff in the fire.'" (Luke 3:16-17)

On It:

Some people are a little confused because they don't know what the Holy Spirit looks like. We think of God the Father and can imagine a figure, we know Jesus looked human (He WAS) and walked around on earth. But what does the Holy Spirit look like? Well, there are a few times where the Holy Spirit is described. Sometimes He is described as wind, or water, or a dove. But my favourite description is when He is described as fire because it makes me think of God being uncontrolled and hot and bright. The Salvation Army likes thinking of Him as fire too and it's even on our flag. Whether we can picture the Holy Spirit or not, we know that He is powerful and that He enables all of God work to be done here on earth. I'm in!

Live It:

'We believe in the immortality of the soul; in the resurrection of the body; in the general judgement at the end of the world; in the eternal happiness of the righteous; and in the endless punishment of the wicked.' Here we are reminded that there is a decision to be made that will affect where we end up forever. We either repent and believe and end up with God in Heaven, or we don't and end up in hell being punished.

Do It:

Take some time thinking about the Holy Spirit and then have a go at drawing Him.

In It:

Jesus, Thank You!

Eat It:

2 Corinthians 5:17
'The new has come.' The new has come. It is not just forgiveness that you get when you get in Christ, the new is coming. The new has come. There is a lot of excitement to come in your life – fulfillment, satisfaction, peace, purpose, community, support, love, and more.

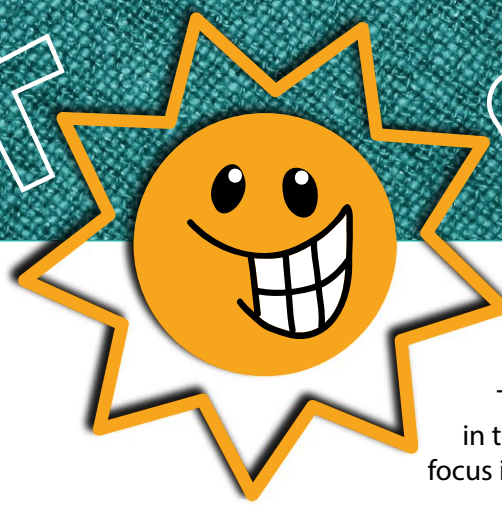
Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read Isaiah 15-18 & Hebrews 10



Week 28

Day 6



Jehovah Rocks:

You are strong and powerful. You have saved me and so I know that You are going to protect me and love me. You are a giant shield around me. (Psalm 3:3)

Live It:

The Salvation Army doctrines apply to every Salvationist in the whole world and give us a unity of belief that helps us focus in our mission.

See It:

'When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and seemed to sit on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.' (Acts 2:1-4)

Do It:

Ask somebody in your family to pray with you that the Holy Spirit will fill you up.

On It:

Jesus died, rose again and hung out on earth for a while, but then ascended back into Heaven to be with our Father. That would have been sad for the disciples. They would have missed their friend, and they would have felt pretty scared about doing mission on their own. But not for long! In Acts chapter 2 we read the awesome story of Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit came and filled the believers! Just imagine it - a violent wind and fire everywhere over the believers. After they were filled with the Spirit, they found that they could do amazing stuff that they had only ever seen Jesus do! Wouldn't it be great if the Holy Spirit could fill us like He filled the disciples? What? He can! How?! First, we have to be a follower, so we have to have repented of sin and believe in Jesus. Then we have to ask the Holy Spirit to come and fill us. We can ask Him to fill us again and again so that we are never short of the Holy Spirit. Once we are full, we start to become more like Jesus. When we are filled with the Holy Spirit, we are able to do not only all the things the disciples did, but all the things that Jesus did! (and 'greater things', too!)



In It:

God, please help me to listen to what You are telling me today.

Eat It:

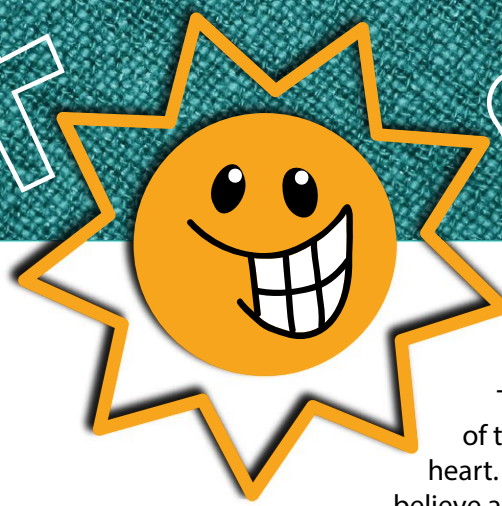
2 Corinthians 5:17
This is a beautiful verse. Some older people love it even more than kids do because they have a lot more regrettable things in their lives. They are thrilled to find out that all those 'regrettable things' are gone if they come 'in Christ'.

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read Isaiah 19-21, & Hebrews 11

Week 28

Day 7



Jehovah Rocks:

Yahweh! You have the greatest name! You are a King and everyone in the earth will know how big and amazing You are. (Psalm 8:1)

See It:

'Those who belong to Jesus have crucified the sinful nature with its passions and desires. Since we live by the Spirit, let us stay close to the Spirit. Let's not become conceited, mean and envying each other.' (Galatians 5: 24-26)

On It:

Have you ever had to drink out of a cup you know wasn't yours? Or sleep in a bed that had been slept in by other people? Not that nice, is it? Well, imagine how the Holy Spirit feels when we ask Him to live in us before we have repented of our sin. He is God and He is holy, and He doesn't want to live in a dirty heart! When we repent, it's like we are getting a good clean out. And once we are clean, the Holy Spirit can come and live in us! When we live by the Spirit, God is living inside of us and so we can do amazing things. But if we keep on sinning and then repenting and the sinning and then repenting... that is a tiring process! So, it's better if we live continually with the Spirit. How? Well, we have to become dead to ourselves. Sound scary? It's not, really. It's just putting God and what He wants ahead of what you want. God has to be on our mind all the time. We must remember to pray continually and to keep reading the Bible, or else one day we will realize we are living without God's help. And it is then that we realize everything is going wrong. When we do things without God's help, it just doesn't work as well.

Live It:

The Salvation Army doctrines summarize important truths of the Bible, so they are very useful to have memorized in your heart. If you know the doctrines, you will always know what we believe as Salvationists.

Do It:

Can you memorize the first 15 books of the Old Testament?

- Genesis
- Exodus
- Leviticus
- Numbers
- Deuteronomy
- Joshua
- Ruth
- 1 Samuel
- 2 Samuel
- 1 Kings
- 2 Kings
- 1 Chronicles
- 2 Chronicles
- Ezra
- Nehemiah

In It:

Help me to be able to love even more than I do now.

Eat It:

'Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!' (2 Corinthians 5:17) Memorize this verse and tell five friends.

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read Isaiah 22-24 & Hebrews 12