God's Gift of the Holy Spirit

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After Easter and during the days when Jesus disciple's knew that somehow, he was still with them, Jesus said to his disciples: God will send you a special gift, the gift of the Holy Spirit, so you can do what I have done and say what I have said. You will not see me any longer, but I will be with you always. I will be with you in every time and every place. Then Jesus ascended to God.

Later God gave the disciples the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Red felt flames

When the disciples received the gift of the Holy Spirit, they received seven gifts.

Orange and gold flames

They received the gift of the spirit of wisdom.

Card light candle from Christ candle.

Let's enjoy God's gift of the spirit of wisdom.

Meditation

They received the spirit of understanding.

Card and candle

Let's enjoy the gift of the spirit of understanding.

Meditation

They received the spirit of Counsel. Let's enjoy the gift of the spirit of Counsel.

Meditation

They received the spirit of Might.

Let's enjoy the gift of the spirit of Might.

Meditation

They received the spirit of Knowledge.

Let's enjoy the spirit of Knowledge.

Meditation

They received the spirit of Awe of God.

Let's enjoy the gift of the spirit of the Awe of God.

Meditation

They received the spirit of Joy in the presence of God.

Let's enjoy the gift of the spirit of Joy in the presence of God.

Meditation

When the disciples received the Holy Spirit and these wonderful gifts, they were so filled with love that they began to tell about Jesus and to show the way of the kingdom of God. They did this in Jerusalem, in Judea, in Samaria and throughout the whole world.

These gifts of the Holy Spirit are still given to those who follow Jesus and are baptized and receive the Holy Spirit. They help us love God, follow Jesus and show the way of the kingdom of God.

Now these gifts don't stay in this room. They are with us wherever we are. Let's change the candles to help us remember that God's gifts are with us always, in every time and every place.

Extinguish flames one by one.

The spirit of wisdom, and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge, and awe of God the spirit of joy in the presence of God can be with us always, in every time and every place. Amen