

FOLLOW UP ACTIVITY

SPIRIT, SOUL, AND BODY

Objectives to be Understood:

- 1) You are a spirit;
- 2) you have a soul;
- 3) you have a body;
- 4) your spirit and soul live in your body;
- 5) your spirit and soul does not die, but lives forever with whomever you chose to believe, either God or the devil.

Materials: one (1) pre-made puppet to use with the Parent/Teacher Script below;

TO MAKE PUPPETS WITH CHILDREN: socks or paper bags (enough for each child), glue, colored pencils, colored markers, crayons, assorted colors of yarn, felt, scissors, buttons, etc.

Parent/Teacher Script:

God is a Spirit. A spirit is like the wind and your breath. Wind is real but you can't see it. Blow your breath onto your hand. (Encourage children to blow on their hand) You can feel your breath and know that it is real, but you cannot see it. Since God is a Spirit and He made you to look like Him and to be like Him, where do you think He put your spirit? (Listen to responses)

God put your spirit inside of your body. Your body is on the outside of you like a house and you can see it and touch it. But your spirit and soul live inside of your body. Your soul is your mind, your will and your feelings. Your soul and your spirit are the real you.

Your spirit gives life to your body. Did you know that if your spirit were not in your body it would die? It is sort of like this puppet. (Hold up a puppet)

Let's pretend that this puppet is my body. And let's pretend that my hand is my spirit. (*Insert your hand into the puppet and make it move*) When my hand is in the puppet I can choose how I want it to move and what I want it to say. (*Move puppet around, and say words to the children like, Hi Boys and girls! My name is*)

But when my spirit comes out of my body like my hand out of the puppet, it cannot move or do anything. *(Remove your hand from inside puppet)* When there is nothing with life inside the puppet to make it move, the puppet cannot move. *(Drop the puppet)* When your spirit is not in your body, your body is dead. Your spirit is what gives life to your body. Have you ever seen someone or something that has died? *(Listen to responses)* Their body is dead but the real person which is their spirit and soul is still alive.

Their spirit and soul left their body to go and live forever with whoever they chose to believe when they were in their body. If they believed Jesus when their spirit was in their body, their spirit and soul will go home to heaven to be with Father and Jesus forever. Their spirit and soul will not die, but will pass from life on earth to life in heaven. But if they believed the lies of the devil when their spirit was in their body, then their soul will not go to heaven but with the devil and his demons forever. Do you understand? Whoever you choose to believe is who rules over you, either God or the devil.

Answer these questions.

Which part of you will live forever and is the real you?

Is it your body?

Or is it your spirit and your soul?

Your spirit and soul will live forever and is the real you!

We are going to make a puppet. Then we can have fun making our puppets move and talk when we have our hands in them—like how our spirit give life to our body.

Making Puppets Instructions:

1. Decide the type of puppets to make, such as sock puppets, paper bag puppets, paper plate puppets, etc.
2. Provide the materials for children to decorate the faces of their puppets with eyes, nose, mouth, hair or however they want to decorate their puppets.

Scriptures:

1 Thessalonians 5:23; John 3:8; John 4:24; John 6:63; James 2:26; Matthew 10:28; 1 John 5:11-13