

Session 3 Messy Pentecost

Bible reference

Acts 2:1-4

How does this session help people grow in Christ?

Gathered together and engaging in painting with vibrant flame colours sets the scene for this powerful text. Many adults don't have much opportunity to paint, and some may be fearful of doing so. However, once they get going it proves to be very liberating, as indeed does the power of the Holy Spirit!

Messy team theme

- Talk about childhood painting and craft opportunities and the difference between the resources then and now.
- Reflect on sunrise and sunset moments.

Activity

You will need: paper; pencils; paints; small artist palettes or suitable containers; brushes; water pots; kitchen roll; black and brown card or funky foam; scissors; all-purpose glue

Paint a sunset or sunrise, adding card or foam silhouette shapes appropriate to the subject matter.

Celebration

Imagine being in the scene that has been painted; give people space and encouragement to feel caught up in the majesty and power of God's presence in the sunrise and sunset.

Watch the YouTube clip of 'Sunrise Sunset' from Fiddler on the Roof (youtube.com/watch?v=nLLEBAQLZ3Q) or listen to the song. Talk about God's sustaining and enabling power throughout the seasons of our lives.

Song suggestions

Be still for the presence of the Lord The Spirit lives to set us free Breathe on me, breath of God How great thou art (O Lord my God) Jesus calls us! O'er the tumult Spirit of God unseen as the wind

