

"Joy's Parents Choose Joy"

(2-3 year olds)

One day, a fruit of the Spirit named Joy came home from school. Her parents were very sad. Joy's parents were crying and praying. Joy's mom and dad began smiling and singing worship songs. Joy said, "Mom and Dad... how can you be happy now, after you were sad?" Joy's mom and dad opened the Bible and read her a verse. "Because God promises to take off our 'sad clothes' and dress us in 'joyful, happy clothes'... The joy of the Lord is our strength, honey." Joy snuggled her parents. They told her joy is a gift from God, and to stay close to Him in good and bad times. God loves us, even if we are hurt. Joy learned we can always say "Thank You" to God. He loves us so much.

Joy grew, was strong, and praised God.

Her parents were very proud of her!

Nehemiah 8:10

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Print out the Joy's Parents Choose Joy activity sheet for more fun!