

“An Inspired Conversation of Misunderstandings”

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Polly has been excitedly working on an art project. She has all her markers and stickers and is drawing a picture of a wedding like on the news yesterday when Prince Harry married Megan Markle in London, England!

“Well, well, well!” said her daddy when he looked at her art. “That is beautiful. You must be very inspired!” “I worked hard daddy, but I am not perspired.” she replied.

“Oh,” said Daddy. “Inspired is not like perspired. Inspired is when something causes you to be excited about creating something, like your art work here. I would say that seeing that wedding INSPIRED you to create this beautiful art work.”

Polly looked very pleased with herself as she placed another sticker on her artwork.

Haman came in from outside where he had been kicking his soccer ball around and Polly announced to him that she was “very Inspired”.

“Me too!” said Haman. “It was actually hot when I began to run around with Barabas!” And than Haman wiped his forehead.

“Oh,” said Polly. “Inspired is not like perspired when you are hot and sweaty. Inspired is when something causes you to be excited about creating something. You are hot and sweaty, so that means you are 'perspired'.”

“What's so special about being INSPIRED?” asked Haman. “I don't know,” said Polly as she shrugged her shoulders.

“I believe that the Holy Spirit is often who prompts us to be INSPIRED.” said Gramma.



“Is the Holy Spirit like God?” asked Polly. “No,” said Gramma. “The Holy Spirit is NOT like DOG.”

“God Gramma! God! Not dog!” Just as Polly was shouting this her father walked back into the room and he was startled to hear Polly shouting that at Gramma.

"Well, well, well young lady!" he said to Polly in a stern voice. "That is no way to talk to anyone, let alone to your Grandmother!"

And it was Haman who was inspired to see the error of the conversation. "Gramma," he said in a firm but kind voice with his face towards Gramma, so she could see his words from his mouth. "I think you need a new hearing aid battery!"

"Oh my! Thank you, Haman! That was very kind of you to tell me that so very clearly!"

When we are inspired to act kindly, it is often the Holy Spirit who prompts us. Thank you, Holy Spirit when you inspire us to behave in kind ways! THE END