

Student Workbook for Ages

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Epic of the Apostles Vol. 2
Paul of the Early Missionary Journeys

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Lesson 1: 1st Missionary Journey: Cyprus

Reference Ch.1 in the DVD-R and book

Theme:

Through the power of the Holy Spirit, the gospel is spread to many new places, where both Jews and Gentiles believe in it.

Lesson Aim:

To learn to put your faith in Jesus. You will know that when you pray for guidance, God will give His Holy Spirit to show you the way.

Bible Passage:

Acts chapter 13 verse 1-52

Memory Verse:

“Therefore, my friends, I want you to know that through Jesus the forgiveness of sin is proclaimed to you.”—Acts 13:38



Learn

Lessons from the story:

1. The Church of Antioch in Syria is led by the Holy Spirit to send Paul and Barnabas on a missionary trip.
2. The gospel was preached to the Jews first but they rejected it, so the apostles now share it with the Gentiles.

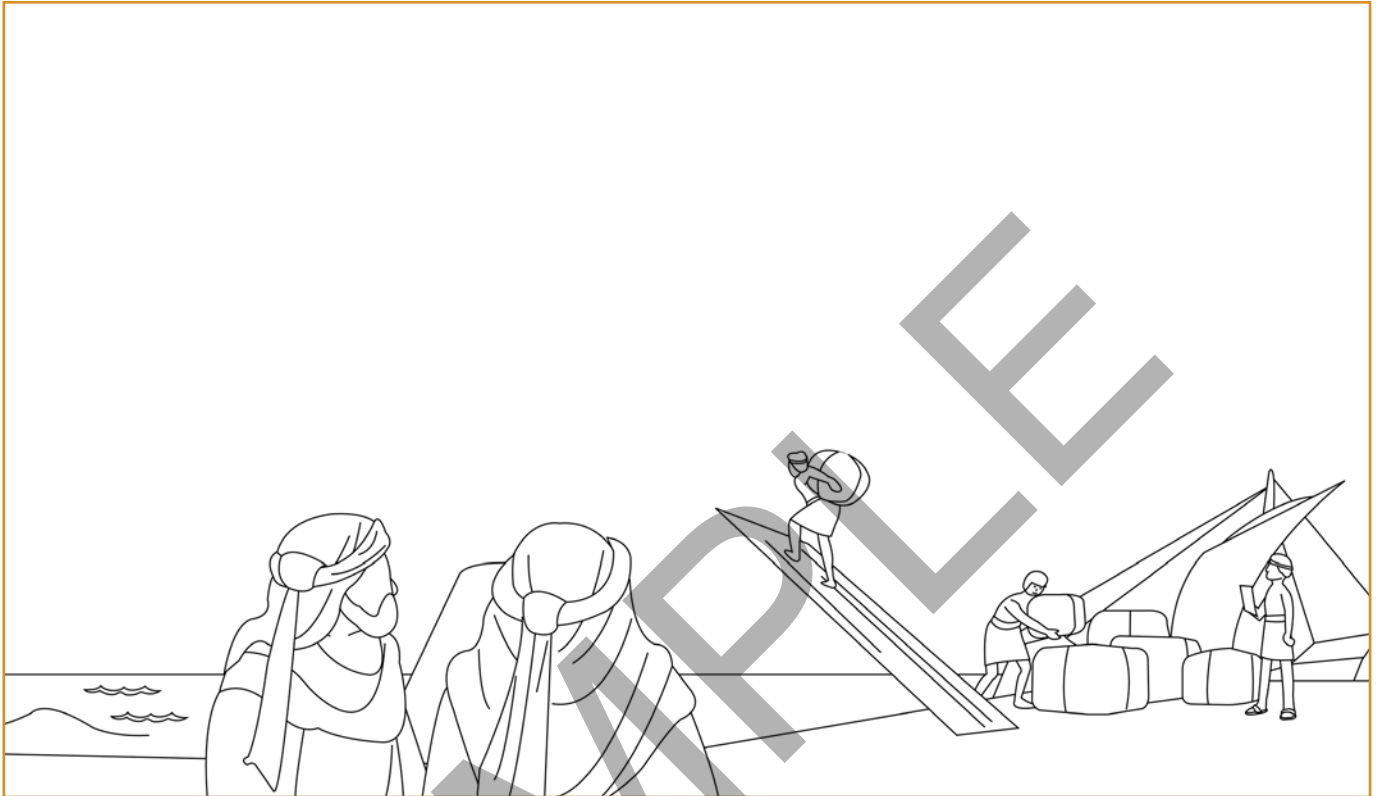
Activity 1

Write “T” for True or “F” for False next to the following statements.

1. Paul and Barnabas did not want to go on the mission trip. ()
2. When the sorcerer tried to disturb Paul and Barnabas, they were very scared of his wicked power. ()
3. Paul and Barnabas were led by the Holy Spirit. ()
4. The Holy spirit gave them wisdom to preach the Gospel. ()
5. The Roman Governor believed when he saw the miracle and heard the Gospel message. ()

Activity 2

Finish drawing the picture and colour it. Then give a title for the picture and draw arrows and name the characters in the picture.



Application:

1. Think of all the adventures you have had in your life. Think about how God was with you during that time.
2. What would you do if you are faced with trouble and you feel you cannot solve it?

3. What do you think God's response would be to those who ask for his guidance?

Prayer:

Dear Lord Jesus, help me to put my faith and trust in you. Help me understand the Holy Spirit's role in my life and receive the guidance I need.

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Lesson 2: 1st Missionary Journey: Suffering for the Gospel in Galatia

Reference Ch.2 in the DVD-R and book

Theme:

The apostles face persecution when sharing the gospel, but where it is accepted, they train the people to grow in the faith

Lesson Aim:

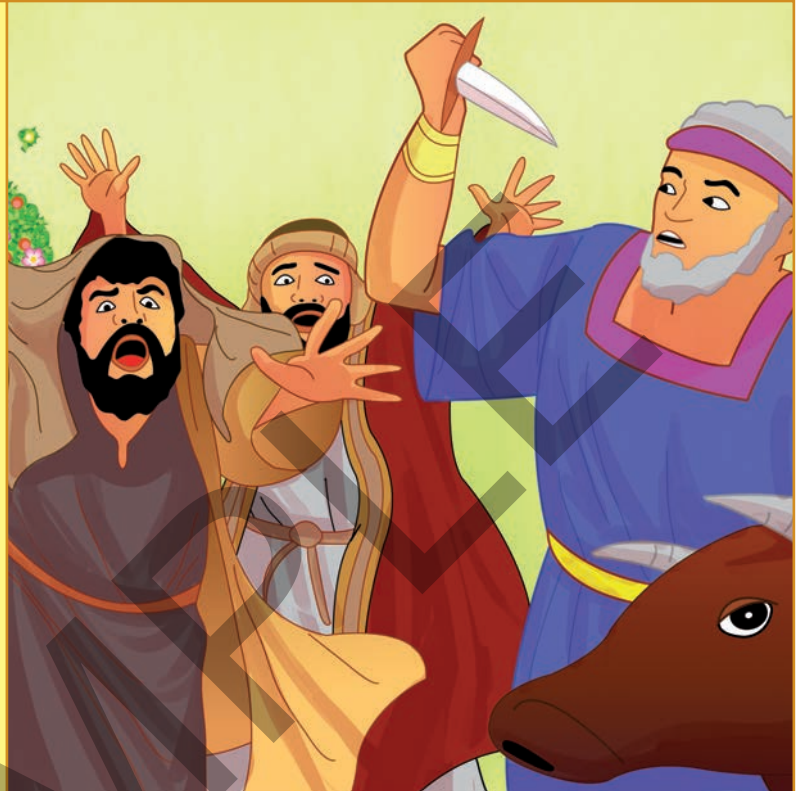
To talk to your friends about Jesus and share about what he has done for you.

Bible Passage:

Acts chapter 14 verse 1-28

Memory Verse:

They encouraged them to continue in the faith, reminding them that we must suffer many hardships to enter the Kingdom of God.—Acts 14:22



Learn

Lessons from the story:

1. Persecuted by Jews and Gentiles, Paul and Barnabas go from town to town sharing the good news of salvation.
2. Whenever they are chased away, they just move to the next town. But when they are accepted, they start a church.

Understanding the Story

Based on the story, rearrange the following pictures in the correct order by writing the correct number at the side. Then give a short description for each picture.









Activity

Write about two people you would like to tell about Jesus. In the spaces provided, draw and colour a picture of them, and write a description of their characteristics.

Name	Picture	Description

Application:

Now think carefully why you want to tell them about Jesus and write the reason below.

I want to tell them about Jesus because _____

Prayer:

Please make me brave enough to share the gospel with those who need it, in Jesus' name I pray, amen.

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Lesson 3: The Jerusalem Council: Confrontation and Reconciliation

Reference Ch.3 in the DVD-R and book

Theme:

Rituals, good works and following the law does not lead to salvation. Salvation is only given when we put our faith in Jesus.

Lesson Aim:

To understand that we should not place importance on rituals but instead concentrate more on things like helping others.

Bible Passage:

Acts chapter 15 verse 1-29

Memory Verse:

For you have been called to live in freedom, my brothers and sisters. But don't use your freedom to satisfy your sinful nature. Instead, use your freedom to serve one another in love.— Galatians 5:13



Learn

Lessons from the story:

1. Some Jewish Christians insist that all Christians need to follow Jewish laws and traditions.
2. Eventually, the apostles decided that this was not needed. However to avoid offending the Jewish believers, the church followed some of their restrictions.

Understanding the Story

Put a tick () beside the names of the character below who play an important role in this story.

Joshua ()

Peter ()

Andrew ()

John ()

Paul ()

James the brother of the Lord ()

James the apostle ()

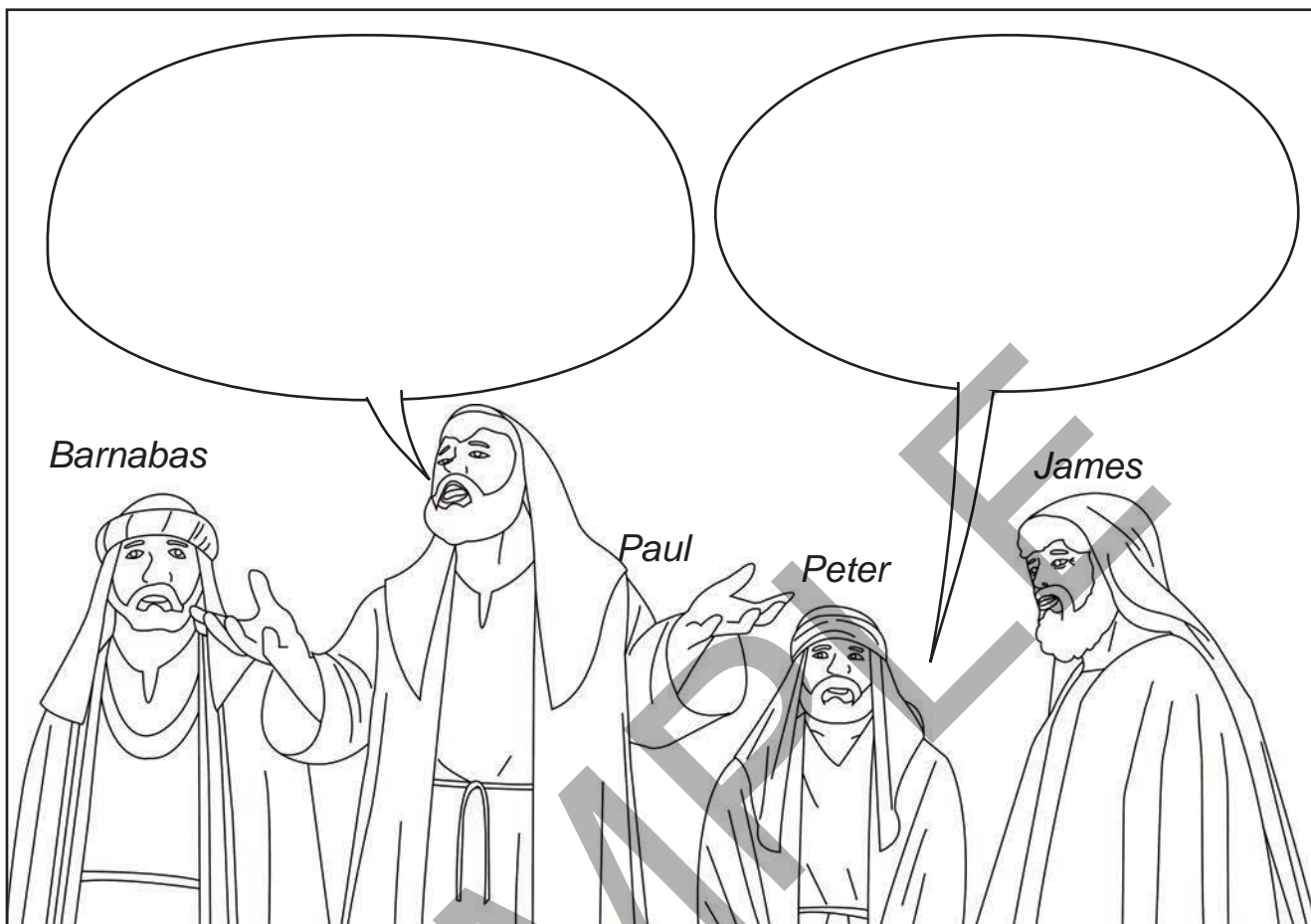
Silas ()

Barnabas ()

Timothy ()

Activity 1

Colour the characters in this room and write important words they said at the meeting.



Application:

1. What are some of the rituals you know of during Easter, Christmas, or any other Christian event?

2. Is it a must for you to follow those practices so that you can be saved? Why?

Prayer:

Dear Lord, help me to truly believe in your love for me, and not just do the outward actions of a Christian without having any feeling towards You.

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Lesson 4: 2nd Missionary Journey: Vision and Conversions

Reference Ch.4 in the DVD-R and book

Theme:

Sometimes God uses human weakness (like a disagreement) to fulfill his purposes. But we must always be watchful to be obeying His word given in the Bible.

Lesson Aim:

To understand that sometimes God uses a disagreement with friends to do good through you.

Bible Passage:

Acts chapter 15 verse 36-41
and chapter 16 verse 1-15

Memory Verse:

“He makes the whole body fit together perfectly. As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts to grow, so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love.”—Ephesians 4:16



Learn

Lessons from the story:

1. Paul and Barnabas disagree resulting in two missionary teams and two journeys instead of one.
2. A vision leads Paul to make a strategic decision.

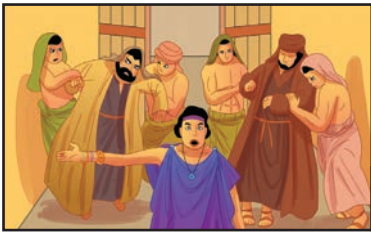
Understanding the Story

1. Who are the people who joined and the people who left Paul in this chapter?
Write their names in the space below.

People who joined Paul	People who left Paul

Activity

Number the pictures in the correct order and describe each picture in your own words.





Application:

1. Some of your friends may have unhappy things happened to them before. If you know about it, remember to give them some comfort and support.
2. What will you say to a friend now whom you have had a disagreement with before?

Prayer:

Dear Lord, please help me to see your purpose in the problems I face and to always remember to ask you for guidance and protection, amen.

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Lesson 5: 2nd Missionary Journey: Prison and Earthquake

Reference Ch.4 in the DVD-R and book

Theme:

The apostles trust in God to give them special abilities to fulfill the task that God has called them to do.

Lesson Aim:

To learn to trust God even in difficult situations. Under all circumstances, you can praise and rejoice in the Lord.

Bible Passage:

Acts chapter 16:16-40

Memory Verse:

“Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.”—1 Thessalonians 5:16-18



Learn

Lessons from the story:

God gives Paul the ability to drive out evil spirits and performs a miracle to rescue Paul and Silas.

Activities

Remove any X, Y or Z.

1. XYPZRZZIYSONX
2. XJZAIYZLZZORYZ
3. ZZEARythZZQXUYYAKZE

4. XCYZHZYAXIXYZXNXSXY

5. XYSZXWXYOZZRYDZY

6. YBEXZLYYIXEYVZEX

7. XHYZZEZAYRXXTYZ

8. YZBXAYXZPXZTZIYSXED

Fil in the blanks

Acts 16:31 They replied, “ _____ in the _____
_____, and you will be saved - you and your _____.”

³² Then they spoke the _____ of the _____ to him and to
all the others in his house.

Application:

Write a prayer asking God to help you in one or two challenges you face as a Christian now.

Prayer:

Pray the prayer you have written.

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Lesson 6: 2nd Missionary Journey: Thessalonica, Berea

Reference Ch.5 in the DVD-R and book

Theme:

God sees our hard work and he will reward us.

Lesson Aim:

To be obedient to God and your parents and do the best in everything you are supposed to do.

Bible Passage:

Acts chapter 17 verse 1-15

Memory Verse:

“Finally, my brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.”—Philippians 4:8



Learn

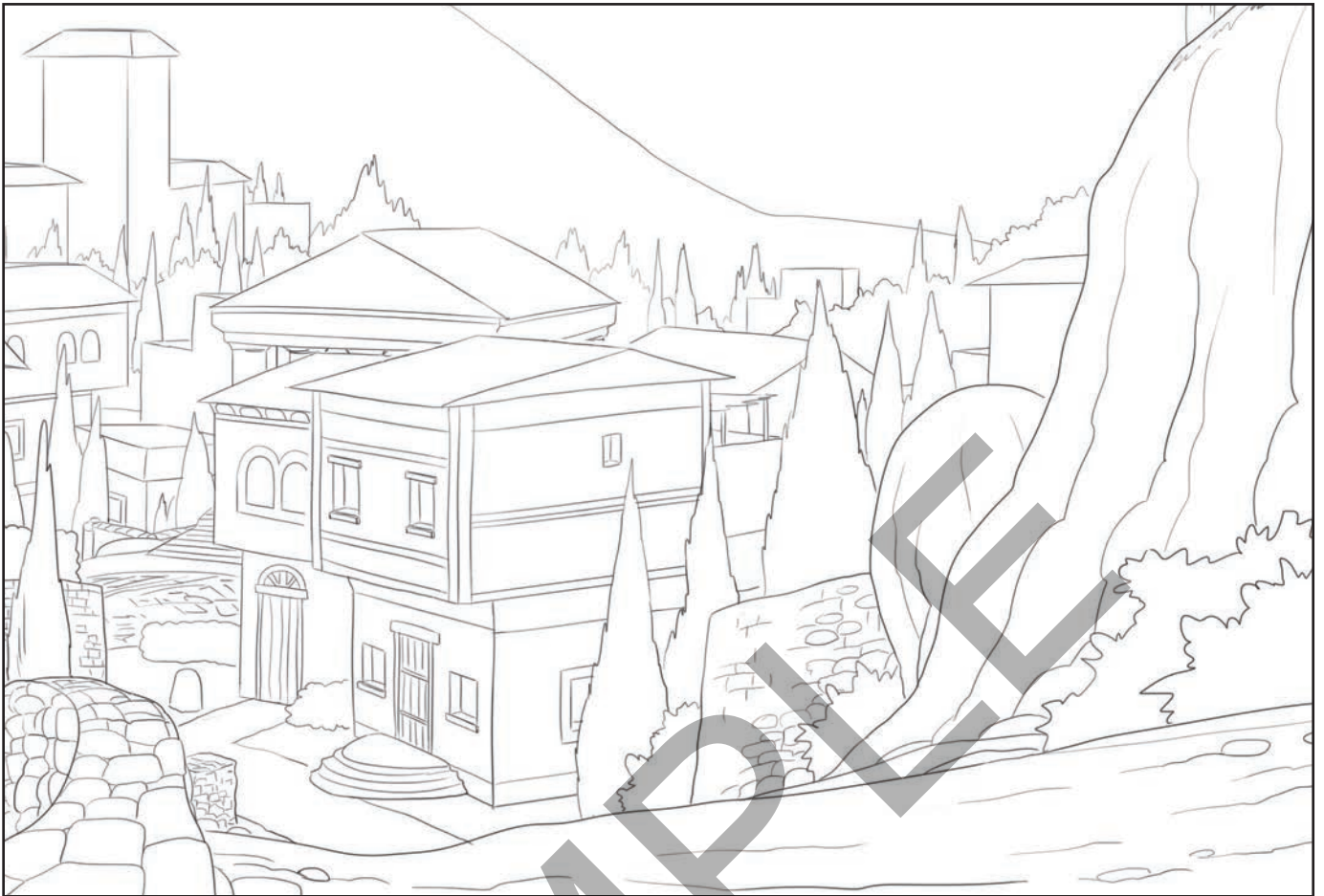
Lessons from the story:

After facing persecution, God allows Paul and Silas a time to rest in Berea and see the fruits of their work.

Activity

Photostat. colour. cut and paste colour the background picture. Then colour pictures of the characters cut them out and paste them on the background



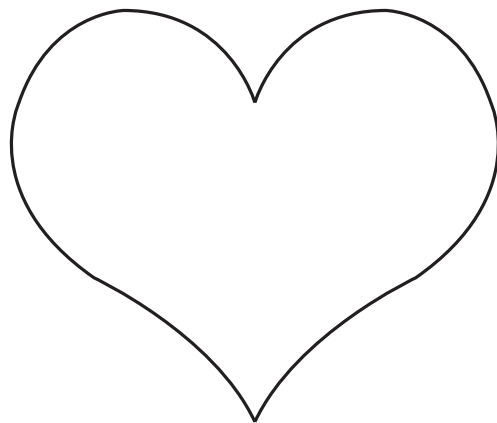


Application:

1. Write down your thoughts as to what being obedient to God means.
2. Write some ways of showing love to your parents in the hearts below.



Mother



Father

Prayer:

Dear Lord, please remind me to always try my best in all that i do, and thank You for giving me time to rest after my work.

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Lesson 7: 2nd Missionary Journey: Athens

Reference Ch.5 in the DVD-R and book

Theme:

Knowledge used together with pride can make it difficult for a person to receive salvation. Faith is needed to see God's way.

Lesson Aim:

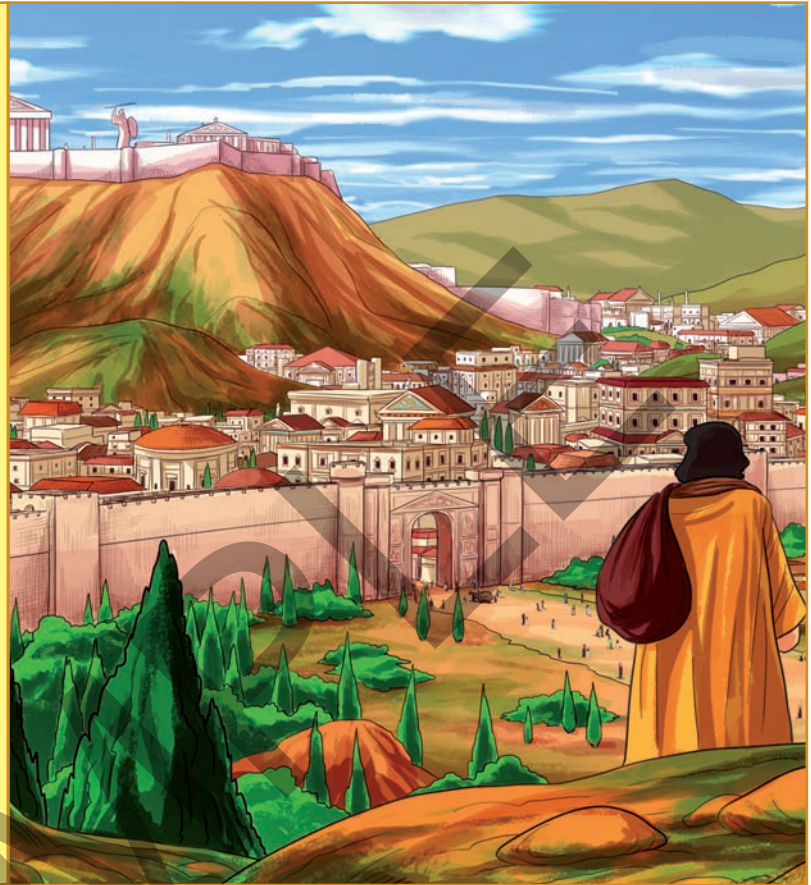
To train to be humble about the knowledge that you have and praise God for his wisdom.

Bible Passage:

Acts chapter 17 verse 16-34

Memory Verse:

Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God!
How unsearchable his judgments,
and his paths beyond tracing out!
"Who has known the mind of the Lord?
Or who has been his counselor?"—Romans 11:33



Learn

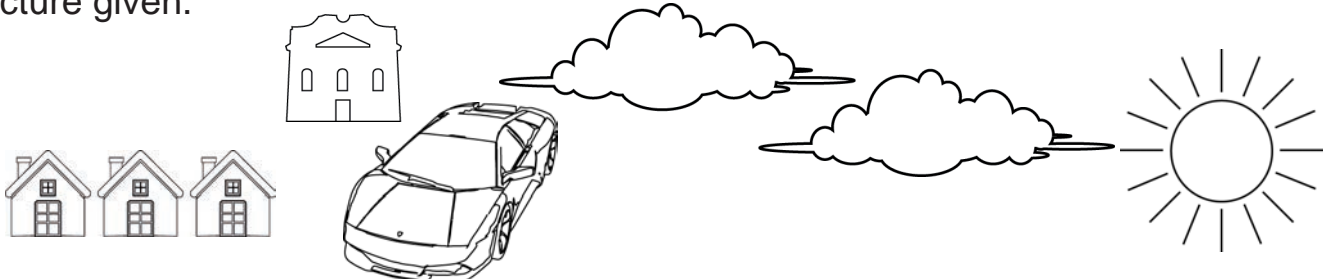
Lessons from the story:

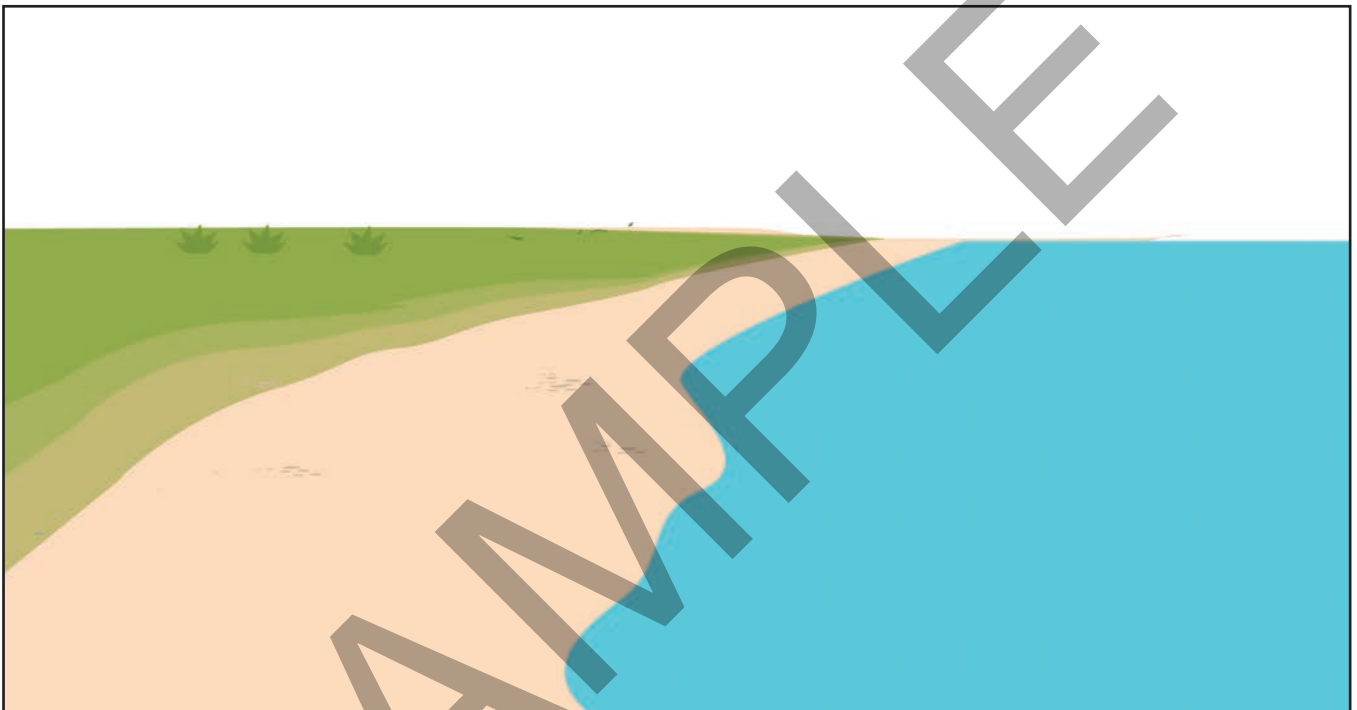
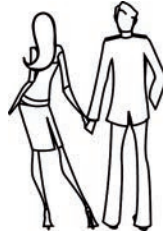
1. God uses Paul's knowledge to speak to the Athenians but some laugh at him when he tells them that God resurrected Jesus from the dead.
2. In Paul's speech, he tells them that God does not need anything that humans can make, but there is proof of the Creator in the world he made.

Activity - Photostat the picture below

Then look at the pictures and write in the space below whether they are man-made or made by God.

Colour each of the pictures; cut them out and paste them in the back ground picture given.





Application:

1. Think about the things God created and the things man has made. Which of these things are the most awesome to you?

God created everything in the Universe including man. He is surely more wise and powerful than man,.

How can we show that we love and honour such a powerful God.

2. Always be humble about the knowledge we have, because all this knowledge was given to you by God.

Prayer:

God, thank you for creating all the wonderful things in this world, you are truly a good God.

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Lesson 8: 2nd Missionary Journey: Corinth

Reference Ch.6 in the DVD-R and book

Theme:

- It is good for us to be willing to make new friends and start partnerships while doing God's work.
- God will encourage us when we are going through times of trouble.

Lesson Aim:

To understand the importance of having good and godly friends.

Bible Passage:

Acts chapter 18 verse 1-23

Memory Verse:

1Cor 13:4 "Love is patient and kind. Love is not jealous or boastful or proud ⁵or rude. It does not demand its own way. It is not irritable, and it keeps no record of being wronged. (NIV)

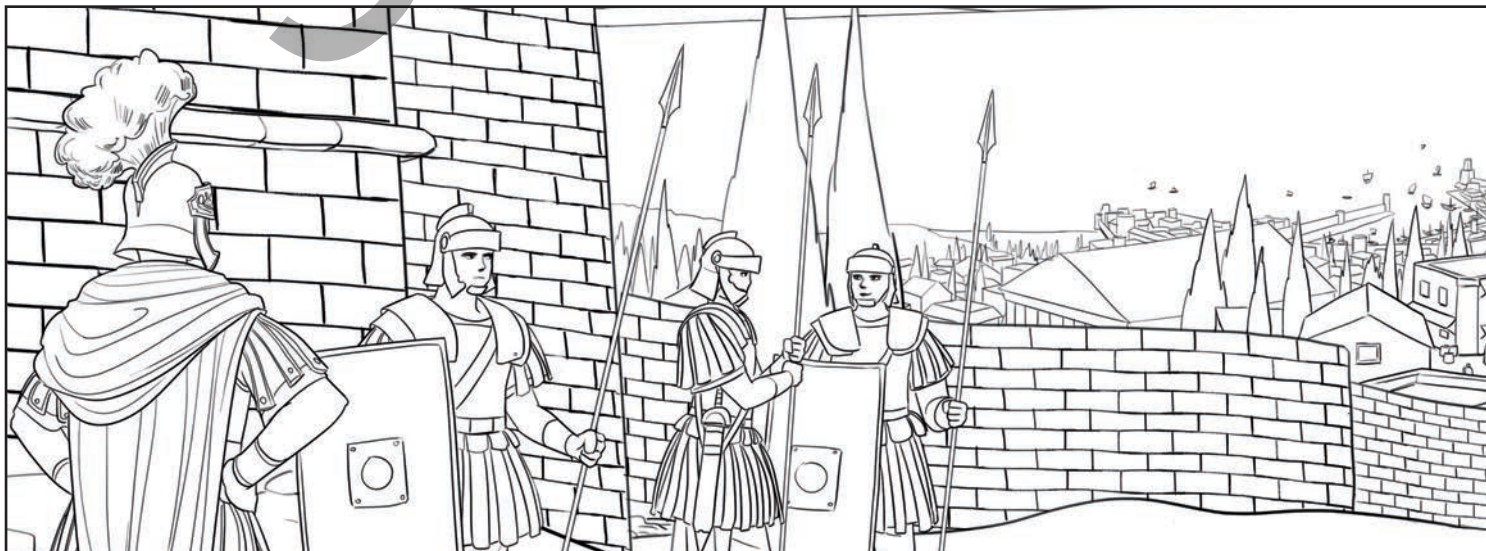


Learn

Lessons from the story:

1. Paul meets Priscilla and Aquila who are tent-makers like him. They help him in telling the good news.
2. God tells Paul that He will always be with him. Not long after, some Jews tried to send Paul to jail but fail.

Activity Colour the picture of Corinth.



Understanding the Story

1. Corinth besides being a city of trade, was also famous for its_____.
2. Match the words to form the correct sentence.

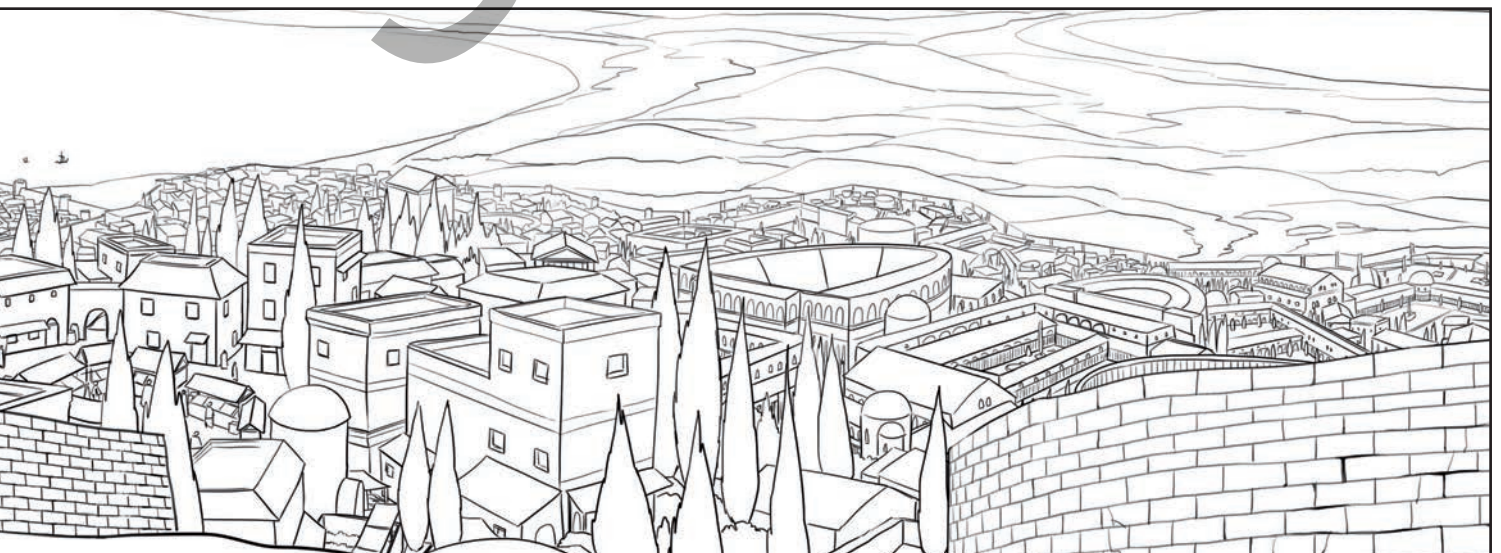
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|---|----------------------------|
| The proof of Paul's teaching came from ● | ● opposed Paul's teaching. |
| The international sporting event held in Corinth was called ● | ● The Holy Spirit. |
| The Jews in Corinth ● | ● The Isthmus Games. |
| The church in Philippi gave Paul ● | ● a gift of money. |

Application:

1. Remember the game just now; think about how important it is to work together with your team in finding each and every answer correctly. Why do you think friends will be important in life?
2. How do you express your love towards your friends?

Prayer:

Please give me good and wise friends and help me to be loyal to them, in Jesus' name I pray, amen.



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Lesson 9: 3rd Missionary Journey: Ephesus

Reference Ch.7 in the DVD-R and book

Theme:

When we do God's work faithfully, many people will get to hear the good news of the Gospel. When false teachers try to imitate the work of God, they will be exposed.

Lesson Aim:

To know that what you are doing for God will not be wasted. Pray for those who are unfriendly towards you and let God change their hearts.

Bible Passage:

Acts chapter 19

Memory Verse:

"For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous and his ears are attentive to their prayer, but the face of the Lord is against those who do evil."—1 Peter 3:12



Learn

Lessons from the story:

1. Because of Paul's teaching, many people in Asia Minor hear the gospel.
2. When exorcists try to do miracles like Paul, they are punished. This makes many people confess and repent.

Activity

Ephesus the picture below.



Now draw a picture showing God's beautiful or awesome creation. Give it a name and description and then colour it.



Application:

List 2 things that people say or do when they make fun of you.

Write a prayer or an action you can do to ask them to stop.

people make fun of you when they:	What can you pray or do to ask them to stop.

Note: Praying to God and / or asking mummy + daddy for help is okay

Prayer:

Dear Jesus, I pray that you enter my heart and give me courage to face the people who are against you when I have to, amen.

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Lesson 10: 3rd Missionary Journey: Letter to the Romans

Reference Ch.8 in the DVD-R and book

Theme:

The gospel can be shared by helping our friends to find answers for the questions they have about life.

Lesson Aim:

To learn how wonderful the news of salvation can be and there is nothing to be ashamed of when you share it.

Bible Passage:

Romans chapter 1 verse 1-16, chapter 2 verse 23-25, chapter 3 verse 22-23 and chapter 6 verse 1-23

Memory Verse:

“For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Jesus Christ our Lord.”—Romans 6:23



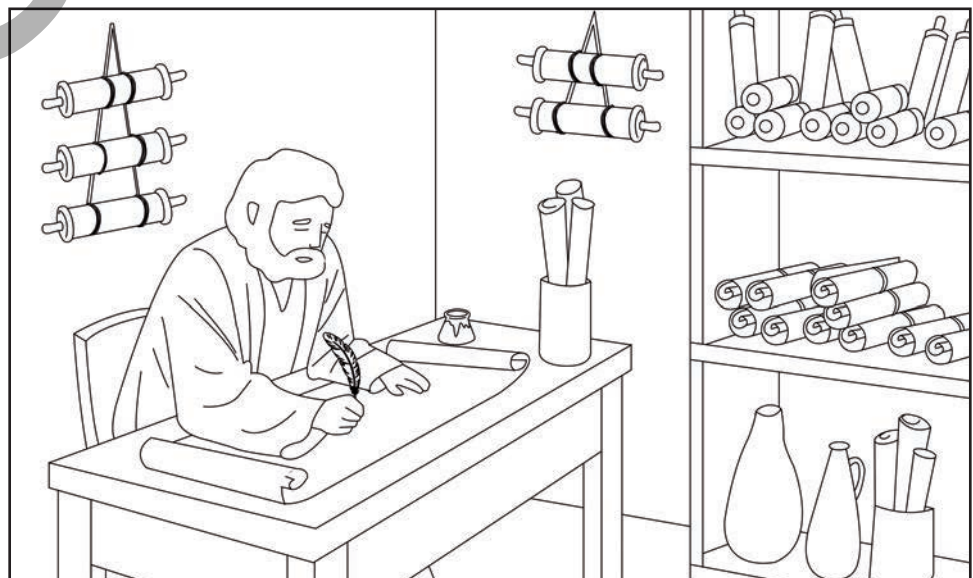
Learn

Lessons from the story:

1. To answer the questions from the church in Rome, Paul tells them what he knows about the gospel.
2. Romans 3:22 says that we are made right with God by placing our faith in Jesus.

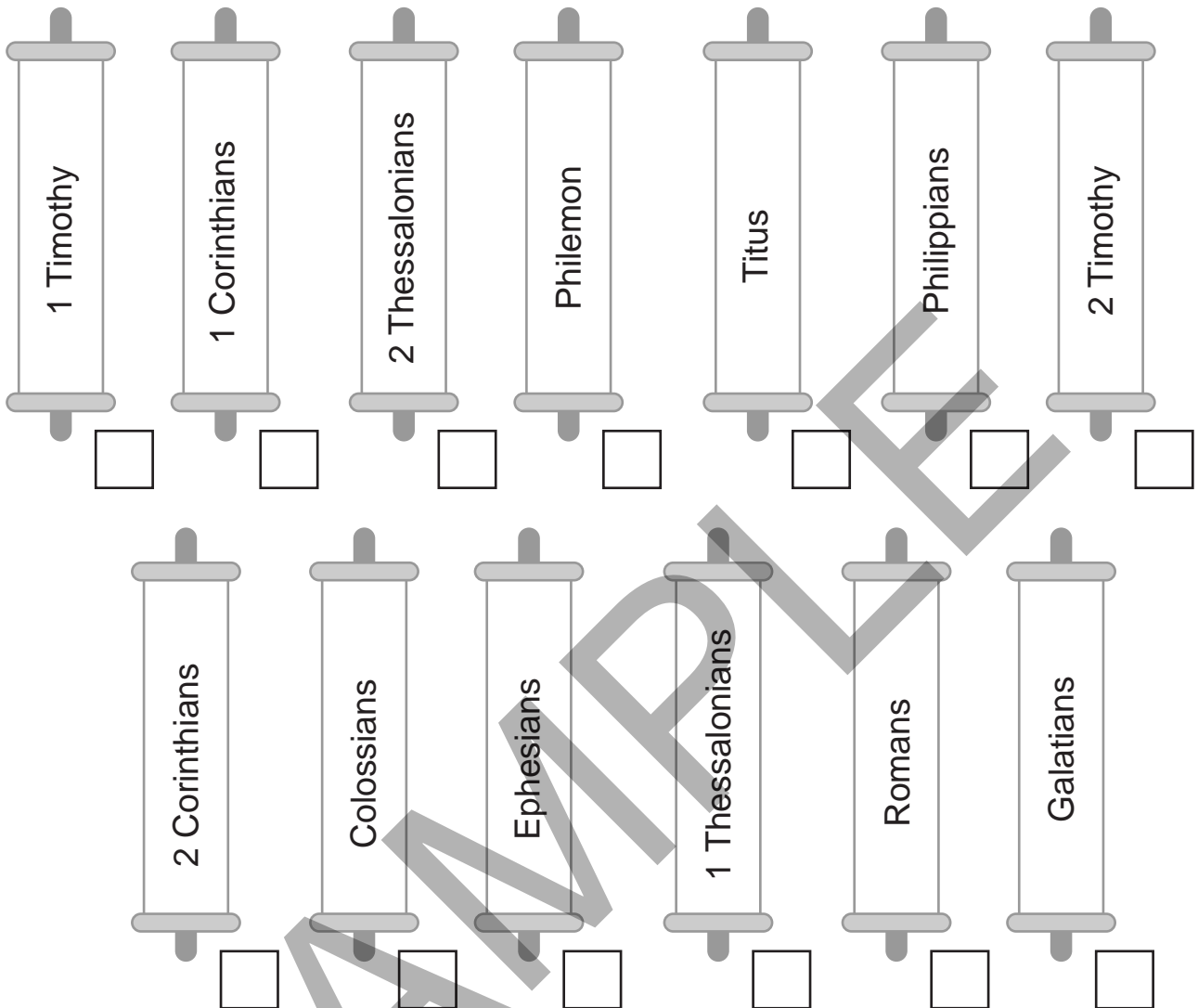
Activity 1

Colour the picture.



Activity 2

Refer to your bible write the correct order of the letters of Paul found in the Bible.
Write the order in the box next to:



Application:

1. Think about the love of God. Are you happy to talk about it with your friends? Why? or Why not?

2. What are the ways that you continue to sin even though you are a Christian?

3. Pray that God will help you stop sinning in those ways.

Prayer:

Dear heavenly father, thank you for sending your son to die for me so that my sins are forgiven and I do not need to suffer for them, amen.

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Lesson 11: 3rd Missionary Journey: Farewell to elders and Return to Jerusalem *Reference Ch.8 in the DVD-R and book*

Theme:

Christians should care for other Christians and the poor and needy. This is because, if we do not care for them, who else will?

Lesson Aim:

Learn to care and pray for one another and not be selfish.

Bible Passage:

Acts chapter 20 and chapter 21 verse 1-26

Memory Verse:

“Care for the flock that God has entrusted to you. Watch over it willingly, not grudgingly—not for what you will get out of it, but because you are eager to serve God. Don’t lord it over the people assigned to your care, but lead them by your own good example.”—1 Peter 5:2-3



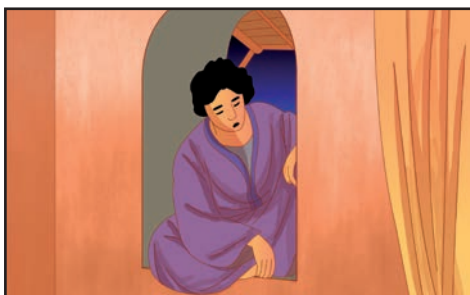
Learn

Lessons from the story:

1. Paul prepares the churches to go on without him by putting good leaders in charge and writing letters to advise them.
2. He is determined to bring the gift of money he collected to Jerusalem to help the poor people there.

Activity

Write words to describe the pictures below.











Application:

1. Who are some people who need your prayer now - or some words of encouragement?

2. Write some words of encouragement or you might say to them.

Prayer:

Please make me a kinder person from today onwards so that I can share the good news of salvation.

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Lesson 12: Paul arrested in Jerusalem

Reference Ch.9 in the DVD-R and book

Theme:

God will protect those who obey his commands and do his will. Although Christians should be gentle and kind, we must still be wise in protecting justice.

Lesson Aim:

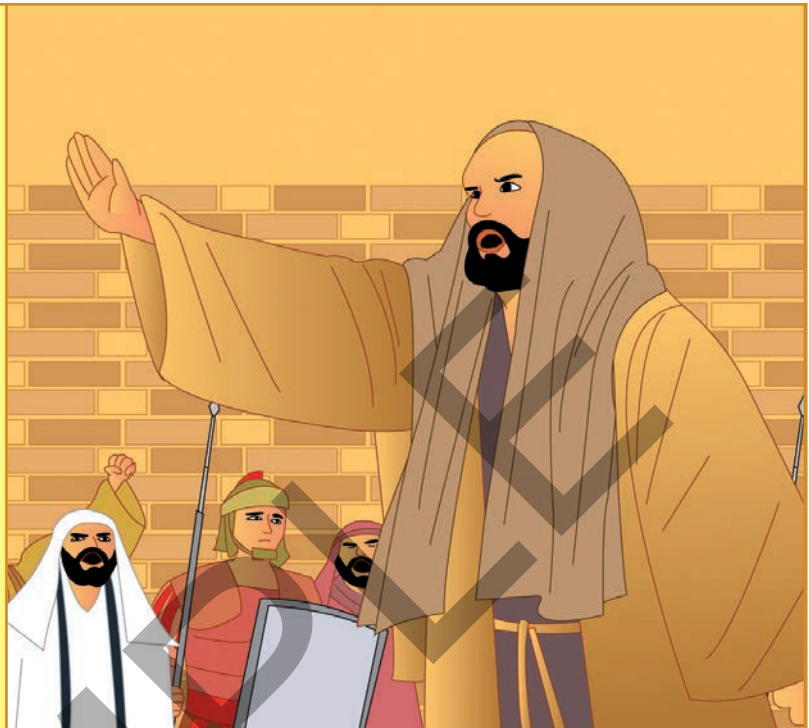
To know when to protect your own rights and speak up when you are being treated unfairly.

Bible Passage:

Acts chapter 21 verse 27-40, chapter 22, 23, 24 and chapter 25 verse 1-12

Memory Verse:

"No power in the sky above or in the earth below—indeed, nothing in all creation will ever be able to separate us from the love of God that is revealed in Christ Jesus our Lord."—Romans 8:39



Learn

Lessons from the story:

1. When the Jews try to murder Paul, God protects him by sending the Romans to guard him.
2. Paul uses his right as a Roman citizen to appeal for a trial by the emperor in Rome and make a new missionary trip to Rome.

Activity

Paul Arrested in Jerusalem.

Create a word puzzle. Find the words.

Paul

James

Festus

Felix

Roman

Caesar

F	B	P	E	C	A	E	S
E	J	A	M	E	S	F	C
S	A	U	O	S	F	E	R
T	U	L	Y	E	N	L	O
U	O	M	C	P	O	I	M
S	Y	I	J	N	V	X	A
I	X	K	F	A	C	Z	N
E	R	C	A	E	S	A	R

Application:

1. When was the last time God protected you from something dangerous?

2. There are many persecuted Christians around the world who are punished because they believe in the gospel. Find out more about them or ask your teacher questions about them, then pray to God for their protection.
3. There are many times when innocent people are punished, even in the law courts. Will you dare to speak for the innocent people around you who are harmed, for example if your classmate is bullied? If you dare, how will you do it?

Prayer:

Dear Jesus, help me to trust in you and always ask for your help in all kinds of situations, and please watch over me, amen.

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Lesson 13: The Trial of Paul

Reference Ch.10 in the DVD-R and book

Theme:

We should use the opportunities that we have to share the gospel and we should be brave to obey God.

Lesson Aim:

To learn to obey and fear God instead of the people around you.

Bible Passage:

Acts chapter 25 verse 13-27 and chapter 26 verse 1-32

Memory Verse:

“For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile.”—Romans 1:16



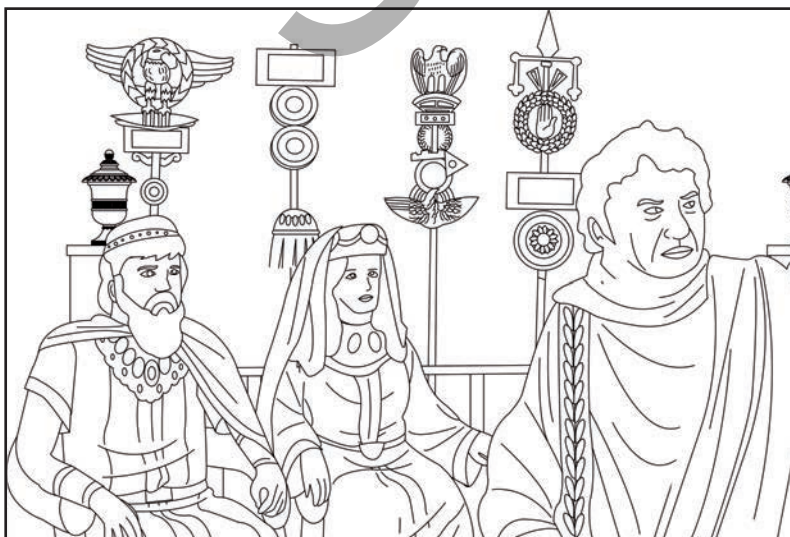
Learn

Lessons from the story:

Paul uses the opportunity to tell the people in the court about why he believed in the gospel and started preaching it.

Activity 1

Colour the drawings below.



Activity

Find the following words in the puzzle and circle them.

1. Agrippa

2. Bernice

3. Festus

4. Paul

5. vision

6. voice

7. heaven

H	V	I	S	I	O	N	S
F	H	P	A	U	L	A	B
S	E	U	G	E	K	G	E
V	S	S	I	X	N	R	R
K	O	M	T	P	O	I	N
R	T	I	J	U	V	P	I
P	Z	Y	C	A	S	P	C
H	E	A	V	E	N	A	E

Application:

Put a tick for the things you have done before.

1. When my friends ask me to do something wrong, I do not follow them.
2. When I have made a mistake, I honestly confess my mistake.
3. I have read and understood the story of the gospel.

If there was anything you did not tick, pray that God will help you to do it.

Prayer:

God, please give me opportunities to share the gospel wherever I go, even if it is with naughty or bad people.

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Lesson 14: Journey to Rome: Shipwrecked

Reference Ch.11 in the DVD-R and book

Theme:

When we trust completely in God, we can bless the people around us in many ways. God can use our trust in him to even help those that do not believe in him.

Lesson Aim:

To learn to encourage and comfort others and to constantly pray for other people's safety and protection even if they are strangers. In other words, be kind.

Bible Passage:

Acts chapter 27 verse 1-44 and chapter 28 verse 1-10

Memory Verse:

"And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose." —Romans 8:28



Learn

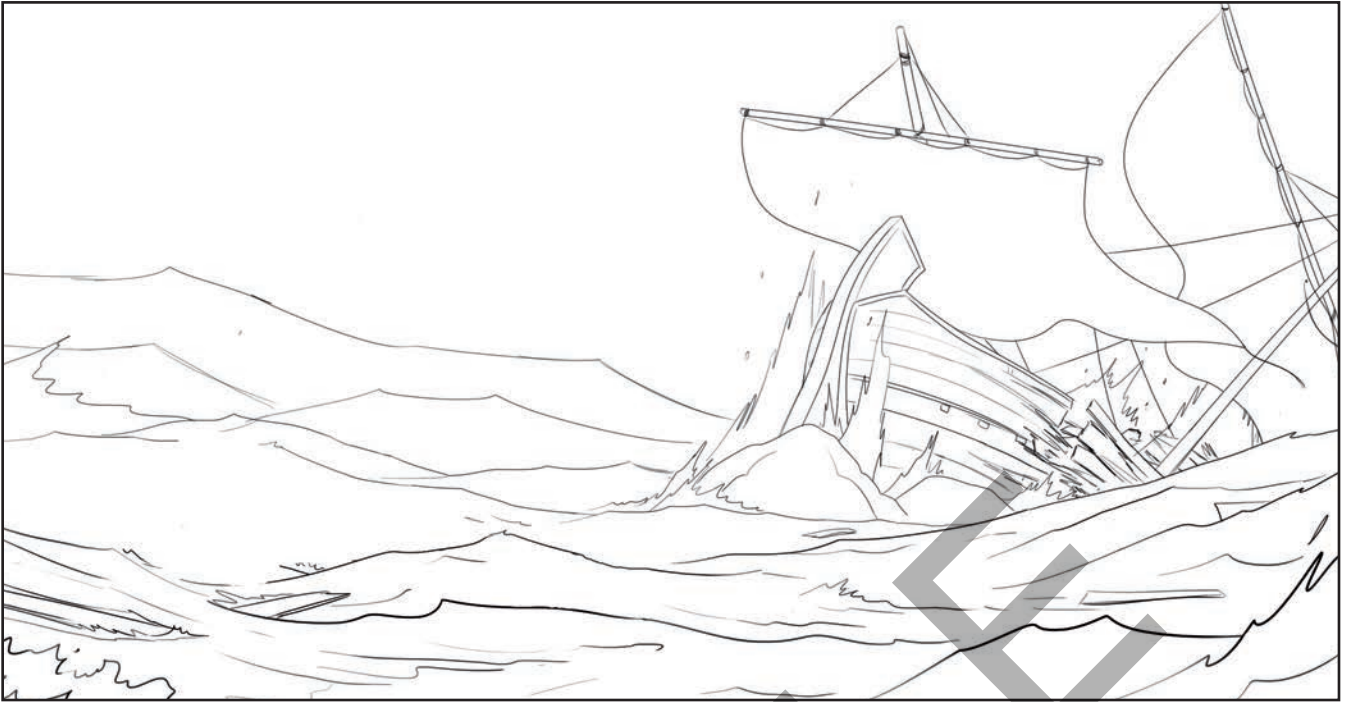
Lessons from the story:

1. The ship that Paul sailed on went into a storm and everyone thought that they would drown but the Lord protected them. Paul, who knew this, comforted them.
2. On the island, a poisonous snake bites Paul, but God protected him and the people who saw it were amazed.
3. Because of the shipwreck, Paul healed many people on the island including the father of the chief official of the island and the gospel is passed to the people there.

Activity 1

Photostat, colour, cut & paste.





Activity 2

Match the events with the reaction of people.

- | | | | |
|----------------------------------|---|---|--|
| Storm and dark sky for many days | • | • | people afraid & do not eat for long time |
| Soldiers plan to kill prisoners | • | • | Paul did not suffer bad effects |
| People afraid and hungry | • | • | Centurian stops them |
| Snake bites Paul | • | • | Paul tells them they won't die |

Application:

What are some of the kind things that you have done?

For each action, choose how often you do it, 5 is always, 1 is never.

Act of kindness	Never	Seldom	Sometimes	Often	Always
Take food and drinks for your grandparents	1	2	3	4	5
Teach your friends when don't know how to do homework	1	2	3	4	5
Help teachers carry things	1	2	3	4	5

Prayer:

Dear Lord, please help me be a kind and generous person towards others.

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Lesson 15: Paul – Prisoner in Rome

Reference Ch.12 in the DVD-R and book

Theme:

God will eventually fulfill what He promises to us, like He did to Paul and the church, which He multiplied in numbers.

Lesson Aim:

To give thanks to God for the gospel of hope which he has given us.

Bible Passage:

Acts chapter 28 verse 11-31

Memory Verse:

“To me, the only important thing about living is Christ. And even death would be for my benefit.”—
Philippians 1:21 (ERV)



Activity 1

Colour the picture below and put words into the spaces to show what you think the people might be saying or thinking.



Learn

Lessons from the story:

1. Paul brings the gospel message to Rome, capital of the Roman Empire.
2. Although he is put under house arrest, he was given a guard and allowed to speak to visitors and write letters.

Application:

1. Write some of the things saying you might be thinking or if you were standing by the road looking at Paul.

2. What words of encouragement can you say to your friends or colour the below and put words into the spaces to show what you think the people might be saying or thinking.

Prayer:

Dear God, thank you so much for letting me know about the gospel and please give it to all my friends and family, all this I pray in Jesus' name, amen.



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Lesson 16: Epilogue

Reference Ch.13 in the book – NOT in the DVD-R

Memory Verse:

Acts 1:8

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. (NIV)



Activity 1:

Draw from your imagination the following characters and write a short description of them which can include a. What did you like about them as shown in the book of Acts?

a. Paul the apostle

b. Barnabas

c. John Mark

d. Luke

e. Timothy

Activity 2:

Pick out three characteristics from any of the characters listed above or you also have characteristics from different people and say which ones you would like to follow.

1. _____

2. _____

Prayer:

Write a prayer based on the good characteristics you have written in Activity 2 that you would like to make your own.

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