

GOD USES PAUL

Timeless Truth: Without Jesus, we all fall short of God's glory.

Bible Basis: Acts 16:16–36; 1 Thessalonians 1:3–5; 3:9–13; 4:16–18; 5:16–28; 1 Corinthians 1:10; 12:12–18, 27; 13:1–7; 15:21; 16:23–24; Galatians 5:22–25; 6:18

Key Verse: He asked, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They replied, "Believe in the Lord Jesus."
—Acts 16:30–31, NIV

Resource: *The Story for Little Ones*, Chapter 29: "God Uses Paul"

PARENT TIPS

Read chapter 29 in *The Story for Little Ones* several times this week and talk about the key point. Reading the story several times will help your preschooler to remember it. Use the Table Talk questions to talk about the lesson. Use the questions anytime throughout the week, not just at the table. The Living Faith activity is designed to help your child experience the Bible story by acting it out. The Extra Mile ideas give you more ways to help your child remember the lesson.

GET THE POINT

Jesus saves us if we believe in him. I can choose to believe.

TABLE TALK

- **What happened to Paul and Silas?** (*They were thrown in jail.*)
- **What did they do while they were in jail?** (*They sang songs to God.*)
- **What is your favorite song?**

LIVING FAITH

This week's Bible story is a great one to act out. Help your child dress up like Paul using a bath robe, towel, or piece of fabric. Make the jail out of a large box or table. String strips of crepe paper streamers from the jail for prison bars. Retell the story using *The Story for Little Ones*. Encourage your child to sing with you while you are in jail and say Paul's words. Involve other family members to be the jailer and other prisoners. Make sure to say the key verse as part of your story.

EXTRA MILE

At the beginning of this week's story, Saul saw a bright light and then was blind for a few days. Read a book about how eyes help us see. Have your child close her eyes and do a task that is simple for her to do with her eyes open. Talk about how different that feels.

Paul and Silas sang songs to God while they were in jail. Sing some of your preschooler's favorite songs from Sunday school and church.

We can choose to believe in Jesus. Choosing to believe in Jesus is a good choice. Talk about other choices that you make and whether they are good choices or bad choices.

Use these motions to help your child remember part of the key verse.

Believe in (Touch your right pointer finger to temple. Then bring your hand down and clasp it together with your left hand.)

the Lord Jesus (Touch your right middle finger to your left palm. Touch your left middle finger to your right palm.)

Acts 16:30 (Open hands like a book.)