

Journey Kids Club

JKTV Episode 43



This episode's Bible story is from Acts 12:1-17. The

Big Idea is: Jesus protects and leads his people

in mission. When Peter was in prison, he thought this was the end of his mission on earth.

A number of his friends and fellow disciples had already died. But Jesus still had more for him to do. Find out about Peter's amazing escape in today's story!

The following activities can be done as a family or with some 'bubble' friends. Each activity will take around 5 minutes. If you would like to print off more pages for an activity, go to our website, www.onthejourney.ca, and click on the links for this episode to find downloadable pages.

Activity 1: I Spy

Talk about it:

- What makes you feel afraid of telling people about Jesus? (Discuss different emotions and situations)
- Have you ever talked with someone about God/Jesus? What was it like?
- How do you think Jesus is with us when we have these experiences?
- Say the Big Idea together: **Jesus protects and leads his people in mission**

Instructions:

- Play a game of I Spy, with everyone taking turns. Look for items around the room.
- The parent/game leader ends the game with spying something that is not in the room (something like an elephant or other thing you don't find in our part of the world)
- ASK:
 - Do elephants (or what you 'spied') exist?
 - Can you believe in them even though you don't see them?
- SAY: Peter knew about angels but he didn't expect to see one! Jesus sent an angel to free Peter from jail because he still had a mission for him. Jesus can protect us in different ways, even though we don't always see how he is protecting us.
- Say the Big Idea together: **Jesus protects and leads his people in mission!**

Activity 2: Memory Verse Activity

"How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!" Rom 10:15b (NIV)

Supplies: (provided) Key Verse Decoder, (from home) pencil/pen

Memory Verse Decoder:

Re-write the words correctly in the blanks provided. Then write out the verse in the correct order below.

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Instructions:

- Give your child the Key Verse Decoder sheet and a pencil or pen. Ask them to unscramble the words of the memory verse. (If your child has a hard time with memory verses, review it first)
- Then read the verse together. Try using the actions from JKTV!

Activity 3: Breaking the Chains

Supplies: (from home) Bible or Bible app, scrap paper, pencil/pen, tape

Before the Activity: Cut the scrap paper in strips wide enough to write on. They will be used to make a paper chain.

Instructions:

- Ask your child to look up Acts 12, help them as needed. Read verses 1-5 together.
- ASK: How do you think Peter would have felt about all that had happened? As you discuss the different emotions, instruct your child to write them on the different pieces of paper (or you can write them down).
- Take the pieces and put them together in a chain, taping the loops. Reserve two loops and use them to tape the chain to your child's wrists.
- SAY: Sometimes we can feel this way when we are following God's mission to tell others about Jesus. Our fear and worry can chain us and keep us from this mission.
- Continue reading Acts 12:6, ask: Did Peter seem worried while he was in jail? (Probably not - he was soundly asleep!)
- Ask your child to tell the rest of the story in their own words, breaking their paper chain when Peter realizes he is free.
- Say the Big Idea together: **Jesus protects and leads his people in mission!**



Activity 4: Pray together

- Take time to pray about the things that they wrote on the paper chain, asking God to free them from fear, doubt, and worry and to give them courage, boldness, and love for others.
- Sample Prayer: Dear God, I can feel (list feelings and worries) about telling other people about Jesus. Please help me to know that you will protect and lead me in this mission to tell the Good News. Help me to have courage, boldness, and love for others. Amen.