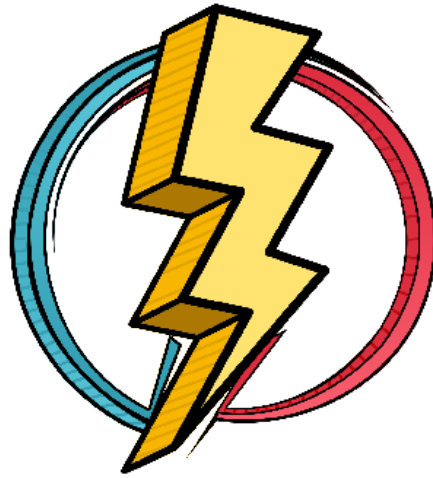


The Night the

JAILHOUSE ROCKED

Lessons from Paul & Silas





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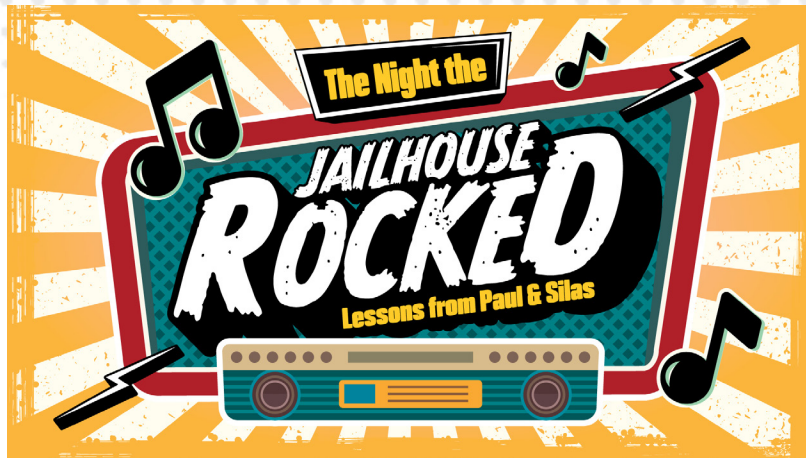


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INTRODUCTION

When you think about prison, you probably imagine being stuck behind bars, with no way out—a place nobody would ever want to be. Now, picture yourself there, not because you did something wrong, but because you did something good. That's exactly where we find Paul and Silas in this series.

We're zooming in on one of the most unforgettable nights in the Bible—the night when two men, beaten and locked up, found themselves in a jail cell for simply sharing the message of Jesus. Things looked pretty bad for Paul and Silas. They weren't just trapped physically; it seemed like their mission had hit a dead end. But that's when God stepped in.

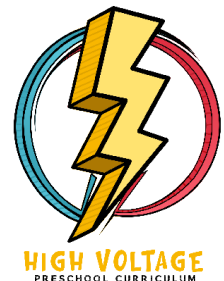
Instead of giving in to fear, Paul and Silas chose to trust God and praise Him right there in their prison cell. Their trust was unshakable, and their worship was powerful. What happened next was nothing short of miraculous—a divine intervention that rocked the jailhouse, broke their chains, and changed the lives of everyone who witnessed it.

Paul and Silas' story teaches us that even in our toughest times, God has a plan. He can take what seems like a hopeless situation and turn it into something amazing. This series is all about discovering how God is with us in the darkest places and how He can use even the toughest moments to bring about His purpose.

Get ready to see how God can rock your world, just like He did for Paul and Silas - “The Night The Jailhouse Rocked!”

For This Generation,

The High Voltage Kids Ministry Team



THE ELEMENTS

The Video Files:

This folder includes “The Spark” Intro Video segments featuring Dani and Simon, and “The Bible Story” video segments featuring Ashton. Also included is a five minute countdown to use before service begins.

The Data Files:

This folder contains the Printable Lesson Manual and graphics/artwork you can use to promote this amazing series. Also included are graphic slides that are intended to be used during the lesson. In addition, you will find a “Family Devotion” for each lesson.

“The Spark” Intro Video:

This video is to be used toward the beginning of the lesson. It sets up the topic to be discussed during that lesson. It uses humor to grab the kids’ attention, then explains what they will be learning about in the lesson.

Whatchagaddaknow:

This is the main thought you want to get across to the kids during the weekly lessons. It is a simple statement that sums up the entire lesson. It is taught in “The Spark” Intro Video segment. Each time the kids are asked, “Whatchagaddaknow?” they should stand up on their feet and say the “Whatchagaddaknow” statement for the week.

Bible Story Video:

If videos are preferred, the Bible Story can be taught through an engaging video taught by Ashton. The video segment teaches the story with illustrations, music, and sound effects.

Bible Story:

A specific Bible Story is included for each week. It is a story that you tell with accompanying graphic illustrations that help bring the story to life. These illustrations can be found in the Bible Story folder.

Crafts 1/2/3:

Each lesson includes three unique craft options.

Hands-On Learning Segment:

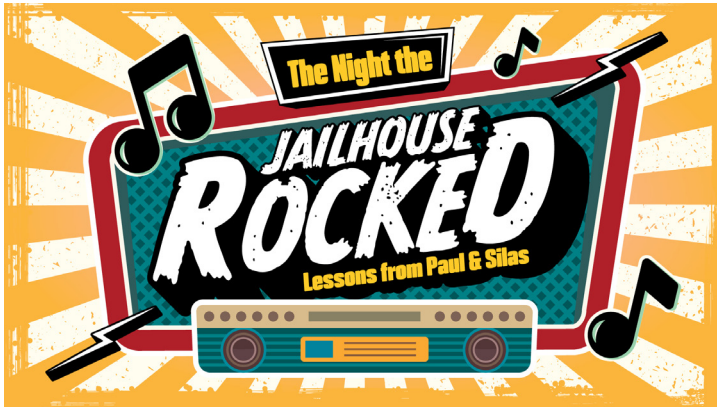
This segment is interactive and provides the main teaching for the lesson time. It is presented in a way that engages the children using tactile and auditory learning techniques.

Family Devotions:

Send these home with the parent of each child as a means for them to reinforce the lesson during the week.



Preschool Lesson



Lesson 1: Jailhouse Rock



Whatchagaddaknow:

“No Matter What I’m Going Through, I Will Praise The Lord!”



Power Verse:

“I will praise the Lord at all times. I will constantly speak his praises.”

- Psalm 34:1

Before the Lesson

- * Collect the items for the activities you plan to use, referring to the Classroom Supplies and Lesson Manual Supplies listed in the chart.
- * Pray for your students and for God’s direction in teaching the class.

This Lesson at a Glance

Activity	Classroom Supplies	Lesson Manual Supplies
Bible Story – This week, the kids will learn from the story of Paul & Silas worshipping God in prison. (Acts 16:16-25).		Bible Story Pictures (pg. 7-10)
Hands-On-Learning – The kids will learn that even during the hard times, they can worship God!	No supplies needed	
Craft Option #1 – Bible Story Coloring Page	Crayons or markers	Bible Story Coloring Page Print Piece (pg. 11)
Craft Option #2 - Paper Plate Craft	Crayons or markers, paper plates, dried beans, tape, scissors	Paper Plate Craft Print Piece (pg. 12)
Craft Option #3 – Kids Worshipping Coloring Page	Crayons or markers	Kids Worshipping Coloring Page Print Piece (pg. 13)



Bible Story

Supplies Needed: Bible Story Pictures (provided on pg. 7-10)

Teacher Instruction: Before class begins, print the Bible Story Pictures. Have the children gathered around so they can see the pictures.

Say- The disciple Paul and Silas loved telling everyone about Jesus. One day, while they were preaching to a big crowd, they were interrupted by a little slave girl who was troubled by an evil spirit. The evil spirit allowed her to tell the future, which helped her owners make money.

Say- The girl started shouting at Paul and Silas, “These men tell you how to be saved by the Most High God!” (show pic) She did this over and over again for many days.

Say- Paul became annoyed with the evil spirit (show pic), so he said to it, “In the name of Jesus Christ, I command you, evil spirit, come out of her!” The evil spirit left the girl right away!

Say- When the slave girl’s owners found out she couldn’t make money anymore, they got very angry. They took Paul and Silas to the city rulers and lied. They said Paul and Silas were causing huge problems and breaking city laws. That was NOT true!

Say- The crowd was so angry that they started attacking Paul and Silas. Then they took them away and put Paul and Silas in a dark, cold jail.

Say- Their hands and feet were locked up, and they were in pain. (show pic) Imagine being in a place with no sunshine and feeling very scared and sad. That’s where Paul and Silas were.

Say- But here’s something amazing: Instead of being sad or angry, Paul and Silas prayed and sang songs to God in the middle of the night. (show pic) The entire jailhouse rocked with the sound of praise to God! It was amazing!

Say- Their story reminds us that even when things are hard or scary, we can trust God. We can sing praises, worship, and know God is always with us!

Pray



Hands-On Learning

Supplies Needed: *No supplies needed*

Teacher Instruction: *Before class begins, gather classroom materials. Have the children gathered around so they can see any illustration materials.*

Say- Have you ever had a really, really bad day? A day when everything seems to go wrong from the moment you wake up until you go to sleep?

Say- Imagine you wake up, bump your head on your bed, and then stub your toe on your way to the bathroom. OUCH!

Say- Your favorite breakfast is gone, and your mom gives you something yucky to eat instead. Maybe your brother or sister is being extra annoying!

Say- Then it starts to rain. And because it's raining, you can't go outside to play.

Say- When you finally get home, you get in trouble because you didn't clean your room, and your TV stops working, so you can't watch your favorite show. At dinner, you have Brussels sprouts—EW! And when it's time for bed, you stub your toe again on the way to your room.

Say- Wow, that would be a REALLY bad day!

Say- Sometimes, bad things happen, and not every day is perfect. But guess what? Even when our day is tough, God is still with us.

Ask- What do you think we should do when things aren't going well?

Say- Should we stomp our feet, throw a fit, or give up on God? No way! Instead, even when everything feels wrong, we should choose to praise the Lord.

Say- Remember Paul and Silas? They were thrown into prison even when they hadn't done anything wrong. They were attacked and put in chains. That was a VERY BAD day.

Ask- What did Paul and Silas do when they were chained in prison?

-Allow time for responses-

Say- They worshipped God from prison! We can be like Paul and Silas and worship God even in bad times.

Say- Let's say this together: "No matter what I am going through, I will praise the Lord!" (*Say the phrase aloud with the kids*)



Craft #1: Bible Story Coloring Page

Supplies Needed: Bible Story Coloring Page Print Piece (provided on pg. 11); Crayons or markers

Teacher Instruction: Before class begins, print the Bible Story Coloring Page Print Piece. Make sure you have enough for each kid to have one. Gather the classroom materials as well. Have the kids sit in an area that is appropriate for coloring.

How To Do Craft - Kids can color freely as they choose.



Craft #2: Paper Plate Craft

Supplies Needed: Paper Plate Craft Print Piece (provided on pg. 12); Crayons or Markers; Paper Plates, Dried Beans, Tape, Scissors

Teacher Instruction: Before class begins, print the Paper Plate Craft Print Pieces. Make sure you have enough craft pages for each kid to have one. Gather the classroom materials as well. Have the kids sit in an area that is appropriate for crafting.

How To Do Craft - Allow the kids to cut out and decorate one paper plate craft. Fold a paper plate in half and place some dried beans inside. Tape the edges closed and tape the craft piece to the outside of the plate to create a fun instrument that can be used in worship. As you help the kids with the craft, talk about how we should praise the Lord no matter what we're going through!



Craft #3: Kids Worshipping Coloring Page

Supplies Needed: Kids Worshipping Coloring Page Print Piece (provided on pg. 13); Crayons or markers

Teacher Instruction: Before class begins, print the Kids Worshipping Coloring Page Print Pieces. Make sure you have enough for each kid to have one. Gather the classroom materials as well. Have the kids sit in an area that is appropriate for coloring.

How To Do Craft - Kids can color freely as they choose.



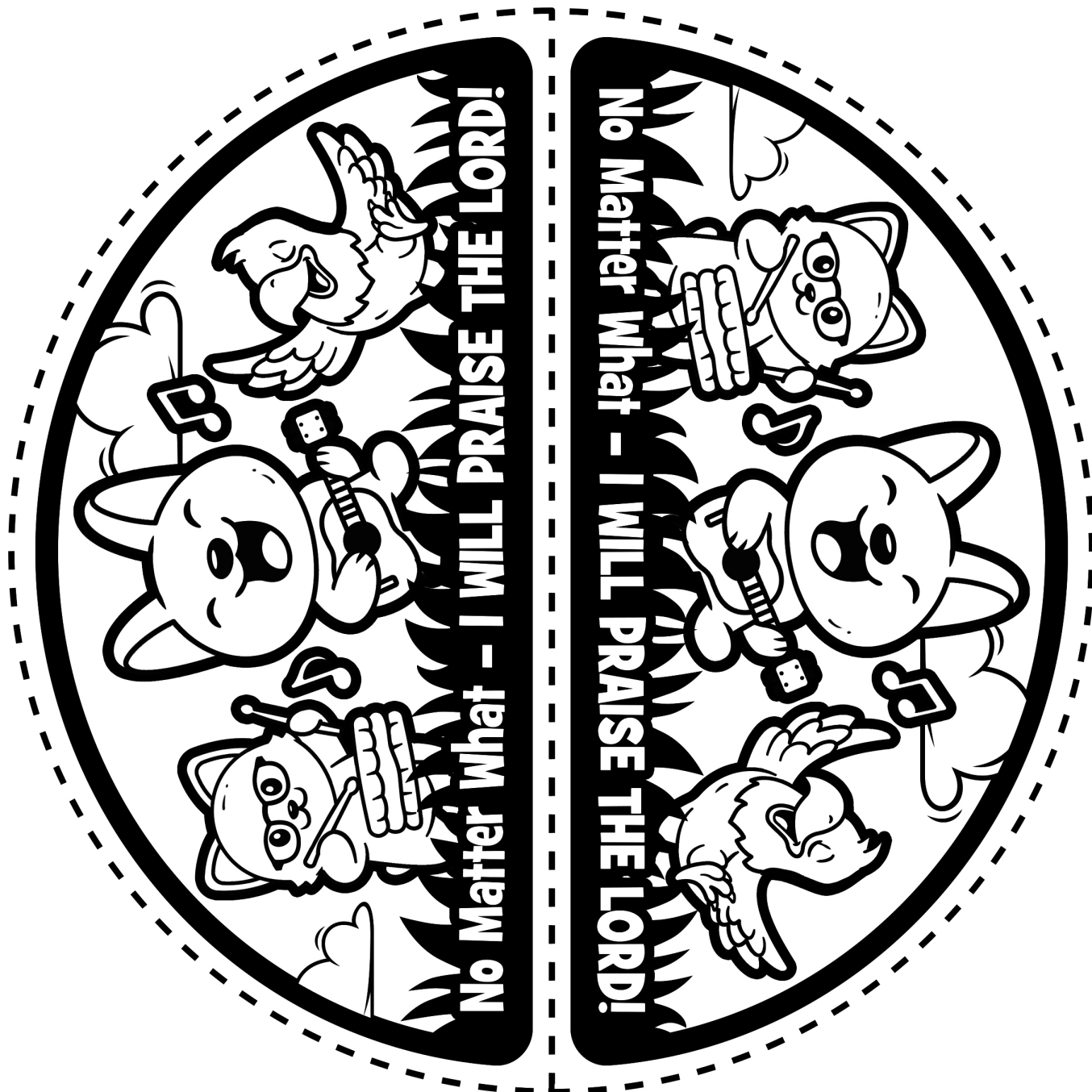








PAUL AND SILAS PRAISED GOD NO MATTER WHAT!



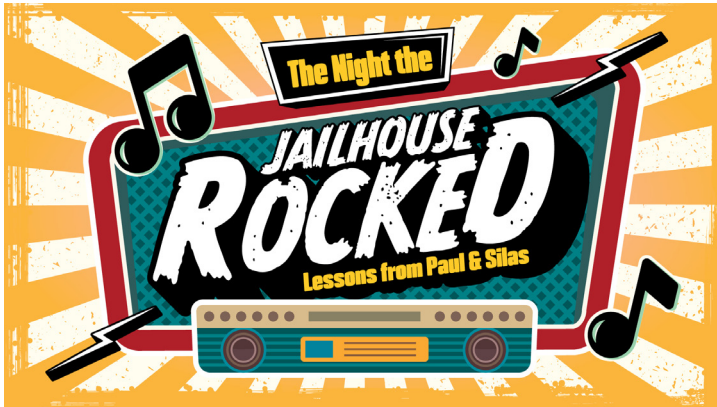


NO MATTER WHAT I'M GOING THROUGH - I WILL PRAISE THE LORD!

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Preschool Lesson



Lesson 2: Shake, Rattle, and Roll



Whatchagaddaknow:

"I Will Choose Friends Who Lift Me Up!"



Power Verse:

"As iron sharpens iron, so a friend sharpens a friend."

- Proverbs 27:17

Before the Lesson

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- * Pray for your students and for God's direction in teaching the class.

This Lesson at a Glance

Activity	Classroom Supplies	Lesson Manual Supplies
Bible Story – This week, the kids will learn from the story of Paul & Silas in prison. (Acts 16:25-26).		Bible Story Pictures (pg. 19-21)
Hands-On-Learning – The kids will learn that who they are connected to matters!	Completed paper chain craft	
Craft Option #1 – Bible Story Coloring Page	Crayons or markers	Bible Story Coloring Page Print Piece (pg. 22)
Craft Option #2 - Paper Chain Craft	Crayons or markers, tape, scissors, cardstock	Paper Chain Craft Print Piece (pg. 23)
Craft Option #3 – Friends Who Lift Me Up Coloring Page	Crayons or markers	Friends Who Lift Me Up Coloring Page Print Piece (pg. 24)



Bible Story

Supplies Needed: Bible Story Pictures (provided on pg. 19-21)

Teacher Instruction: Before class begins, print the Bible Story Pictures. Have the children gathered around so they can see the pictures.

Say- Remember Paul and Silas? Last time, we learned that they helped a young slave girl. The owners of the girl were mad and had Paul and Silas thrown into prison (*show pic*).

Say- (*show pic*) In the middle of the night, Paul and Silas began praying and singing songs of praise to God. The other prisoners heard their praise and were encouraged, too! That's awesome!

Say- Suddenly, there was an earthquake. (*show pic*) *The walls of the prison began to shake violently. Shake with me! (Shake along with the kids)*

Say- Paul and Silas must have wondered what was going on!

Ask- Where do you think the earthquake came from?

-Allow time for responses-

Say- GOD sent the earthquake! Suddenly, the doors to every prison cell flew open! Paul and Silas looked around to see every single prisoner set free from their chains.

Say- Paul and Silas were chained to one another in one of the darkest moments of their lives. Thankfully, they had both chosen the RIGHT friend!

Pray



Hands-On Learning

Supplies Needed: Completed Paper Chain Craft

Teacher Instruction: Before class begins, gather classroom materials. Have the children gathered around so they can see any illustration materials.

Say- Paul and Silas were facing some BAD TIMES, but there was some GOOD news. Paul and Silas were Godly friends who LIFTED each other up.

Ask- What do you think it means to choose friends who LIFT YOU UP?

-Allow time for responses-

Say- Do you think that means you should only choose STRONG friends who can lift you over their heads?

-Allow time for responses-

Say- I need a volunteer! I am going to LIFT you UP!

-Attempt to lift the volunteer over your head. Ham it up and when you cannot accomplish the task-

Say- Wait, that is silly. That isn't what we're talking about. Choosing friends who lift you UP means choosing friends who help you GROW closer to GOD!

Say- Now that makes sense! I need another volunteer.

-Choose a volunteer and place one end of the paper chain on their wrist and the other on yours-

Say- Me and (volunteer) are connected now! If I move my arm up, their arm must go up! They must follow me sideways, and down, and in a circle. We are connected.

-Gently move your arm and allow the volunteer to follow your motions-

Say- If we are connected to people who love God, they will lead us CLOSER to God!

Say- If we are connected to people who don't love God, they will lead us far away from Him. Oh no!

Say- We should choose friends who LIFT US UP and help us grow closer to GOD!

Say- Let's say it together: "I will choose friends who lift me up!" (Say the phrase aloud with the kids)



Craft #1: Bible Story Coloring Page

Supplies Needed: Bible Story Coloring Page Print Piece (provided on pg. 22); Crayons or markers

Teacher Instruction: Before class begins, print the Bible Story Coloring Page Print Piece. Make sure you have enough for each kid to have one. Gather the classroom materials as well. Have the kids sit in an area that is appropriate for coloring.

How To Do Craft - Kids can color freely as they choose.



Craft #2: Paper Chain Craft

Supplies Needed: Paper Chain Craft Print Piece (provided on pg. 23); Crayons or Markers; Tape; Scissors; Cardstock

Teacher Instruction: Before class begins, print the Paper Chain Craft Print Pieces. Make sure you have enough craft pages for each kid to have one. This will work best if printed on cardstock. Gather the classroom materials as well. Have the kids sit in an area that is appropriate for crafting.

How To Do Craft - Allow the kids to cut out and decorate the Paper Chain rectangles. Fold one rectangle to form a circle and tape it together. Take a second circle and loop it through the first one. Tape it closed to form a circle. Continue this way, making a paper chain. As you help the kids with the craft, talk about how we should be connected to the right friends who lift us up!



Craft #3: Friends Who Lift Me Up Coloring Page

Supplies Needed: Friends Who Lift Me Up Coloring Page Print Piece (provided on pg. 24); Crayons or markers

Teacher Instruction: Before class begins, print the Friends Who Lift Me Up Coloring Page Print Pieces. Make sure you have enough for each kid to have one. Gather the classroom materials as well. Have the kids sit in an area that is appropriate for coloring.

How To Do Craft - Kids can color freely as they choose.

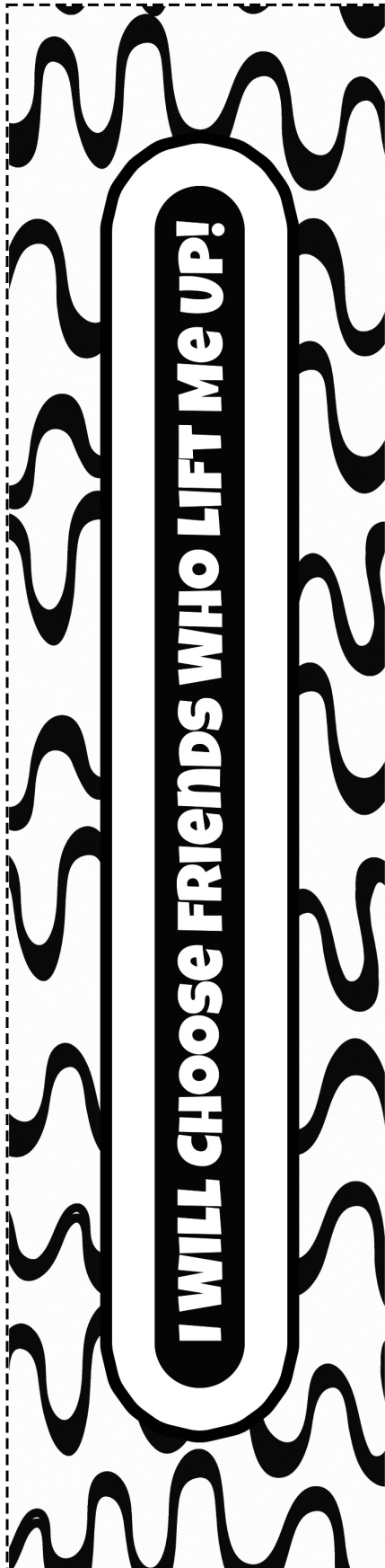


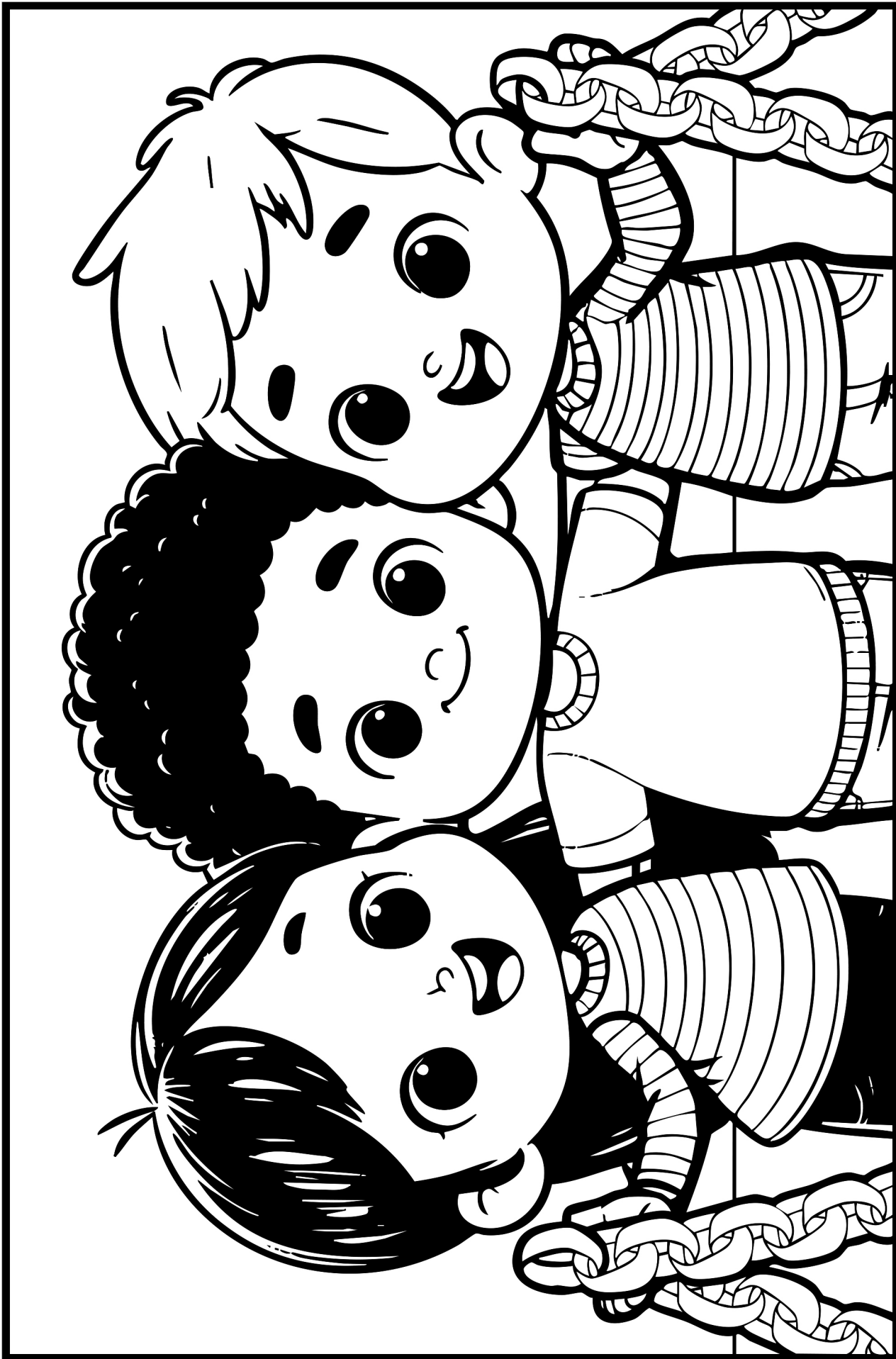






GOD SENT AN EARTHQUAKE TO SET PAUL & SILAS FREE!





I WILL CHOOSE FRIENDS WHO LIFT ME UP!



Preschool Lesson



Lesson 3: I Want To Be Free!



Whatchagaddaknow:

"God Can Use The Bad For Good!"



Power Verse:

"And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them."

- Romans 8:28

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This Lesson at a Glance

Activity	Classroom Supplies	Lesson Manual Supplies
Bible Story – This week, the kids will learn from the story of God using the bad Paul & Silas went through for good. (Acts 16:25-34).		Bible Story Pictures (pg. 29-32)
Hands-On-Learning – The kids will learn that God can use their bad for good!	Crumpled plastic bottles, full water bottles	
Craft Option #1 – Bible Story Coloring Page	Crayons or markers	Bible Story Coloring Page Print Piece (pg. 33)
Craft Option #2 - GOOD Smiley Face Craft	Crayons or markers	GOOD Smiley Face Craft Print Piece (pg. 34)
Craft Option #3 – God Uses Bad For Good Coloring Page	Crayons or markers	God Uses Bad For Good Coloring Page Print Piece (pg. 35)



Bible Story

Supplies Needed: Bible Story Pictures (provided on pg. 29-32)

Teacher Instruction: Before class begins, print the Bible Story Pictures. Have the children gathered around so they can see the pictures.

Say- Today's Bible story is our last lesson about two friends named Paul and Silas. They loved telling people about Jesus, even when bad things happened to them. One day, they were put in a dark, cold prison because they were doing what was right and sharing God's love. *(show pic)*

Say- Even in that scary place, Paul and Silas didn't give up on God. Instead, they began to sing songs of praise to Him. They knew that God would take care of them, no matter how hard things got.

Say- And guess what happened? While they were singing, everyone in the prison started listening! Then—BOOM!—there was a huge earthquake! The ground shook, the prison doors flew open, and all the chains came loose! *(show pic)*

Say- The jailer was very scared when he saw the prison open. He thought everyone had run away. He was so frightened that he was about to hurt himself! But before he could do that, Paul shouted, “Don't worry—we are all here!” *(show pic)*

Say- The jailer was so relieved that he quickly asked, “What must I do to be saved?” *(show pic)* Paul and Silas told him, “Believe in Jesus, and you will be saved!” *(show pic)*

Say- That night, the jailer took care of Paul and Silas. He helped wash their wounds and even brought them into his home. Later, he and his whole family learned about Jesus and celebrated with a big, happy meal! *(show pic)*

Say- God used the bad that happened to Paul and Silas for good! God can use bad things that happen to you and me for good, too!

Pray



Hands-On Learning

Supplies Needed: *Used, old, crumpled plastic bottles; fresh, new, full water bottles*

Teacher Instruction: *Before class begins, gather classroom materials. Have the children gathered around so they can see any illustration materials.*

Say- We have been learning about Paul and Silas. A LOT of bad things happened to them.

Ask- Can you remember some of the bad things that happened to Paul and Silas?

-Allow time for response-

Say- They were beaten, arrested, put in chains, and held in prison. Whoa! That's a long list of bad things.

Say- Sometimes, bad stuff happens in our lives, too. People get sick and hurt, and their families argue and fight. We lose friends, and our favorite toy breaks.

Say- So, what should we do when bad things happen? We can follow the example of Paul and Silas.

Say- They didn't panic or lose hope! Paul and Silas didn't worry themselves sick or cry themselves to sleep.

Say- Paul and Silas trusted God and stayed faithful. God had a plan for good, even with all the bad stuff!

Say- God has a plan for our lives, even with all the bad stuff! We can trust God to help us through tough times.

Say- Let me show you something to help us understand this better. *(Hold up an old, crumpled, dirty plastic water bottle)*

Say- This bottle looks pretty bad, doesn't it? It's old, dirty, and crumpled. But did you know that it can be recycled into something good and new?

Say- *(Hold up the new, clean water bottle)* Look at this new bottle. It's clean, shiny, and ready to be used. It was made from old bottles like the one I just showed you. That's awesome!

Say- Just like these old bottles can be turned into something good and new, God can take the bad things in our lives and use them for good.

Say- Let's say it together: "God can use the bad for good!" *(Say the phrase aloud with the kids)*



Craft #1: Bible Story Coloring Page

Supplies Needed: Bible Story Coloring Page Print Piece (provided on pg. 33); Crayons or markers

Teacher Instruction: Before class begins, print the Bible Story Coloring Page Print Piece. Make sure you have enough for each kid to have one. Gather the classroom materials as well. Have the kids sit in an area that is appropriate for coloring.

How To Do Craft - Kids can color freely as they choose.



Craft #2: GOOD Smiley Face Craft

Supplies Needed: GOOD Smiley Craft Print Piece (provided on pg. 34); Crayons or Markers

Teacher Instruction: Before class begins, print the GOOD Smiley Face Craft Print Pieces. Make sure you have enough craft pages for each kid to have one. Gather the classroom materials as well. Have the kids sit in an area that is appropriate for crafting.

How To Do Craft - Allow the kids to decorate one GOOD Smiley Face craft by drawing faces in the letter “O’s” in the word GOOD. As you help the kids with the craft, talk about how God can use the bad for good.



Craft #3: God Uses Bad For Good Coloring Page

Supplies Needed: God Uses Bad For Good Coloring Page Print Piece (provided on pg. 35); Crayons or markers

Teacher Instruction: Before class begins, print the God Uses Bad For Good Coloring Page Print Pieces. Make sure you have enough for each kid to have one. Gather the classroom materials as well. Have the kids sit in an area that is appropriate for coloring.

How To Do Craft - Kids can color freely as they choose.





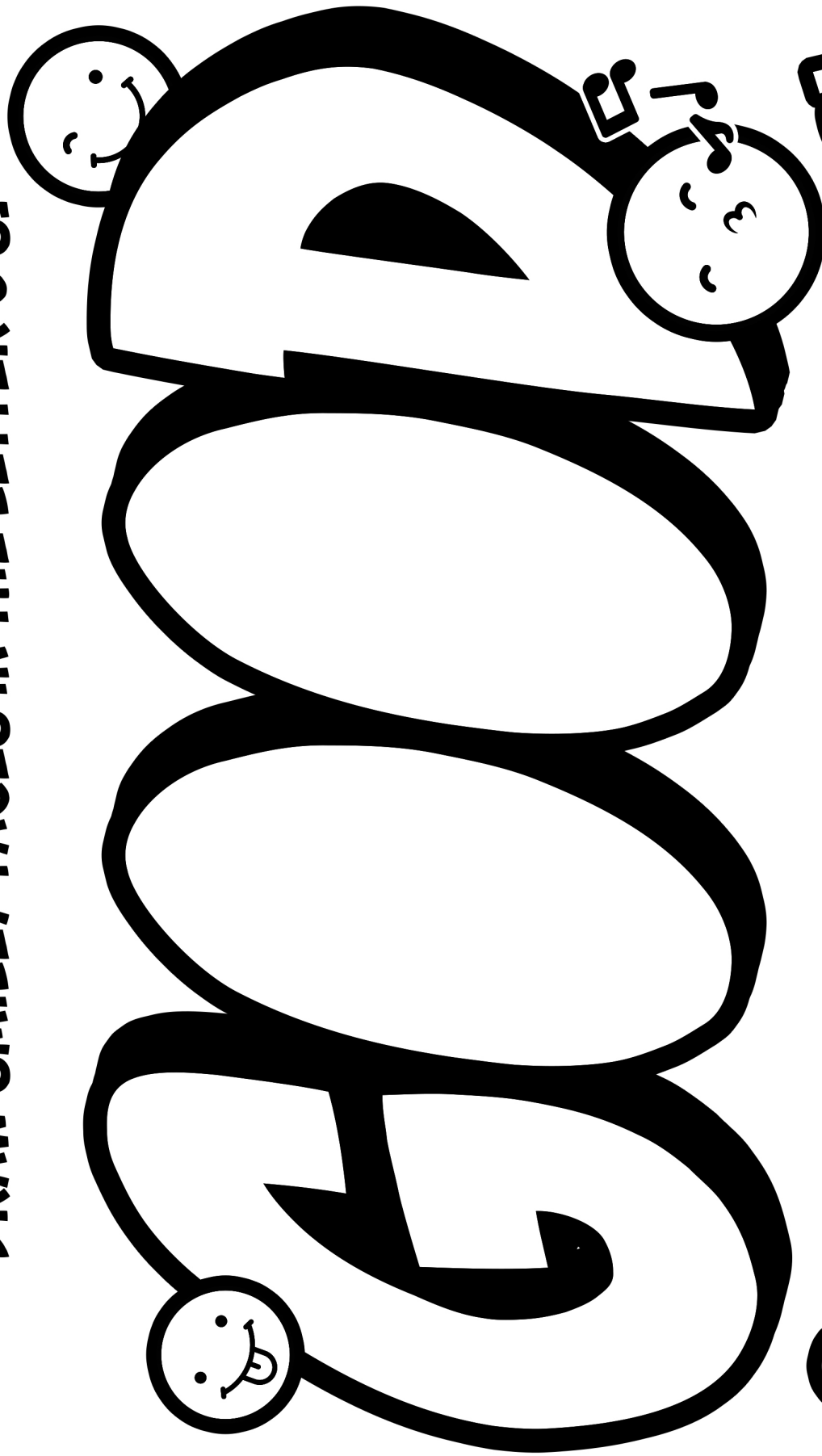






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DRAW SMILEY FACES IN THE LETTER O'S!



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