

BIBLE STUDIES FOR LIFE®

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Unit 2, Session 6

CONNECTION POINT:

Serve Christ faithfully as you wait for His return.

THE BIBLE MEETS

LIFE: Studying what the Bible says about the end times and the return of Christ can be interesting and informative, but at the end of it all, our primary focus needs to be on what Christ has called us to do right now. We proclaim Christ, the One for whom we are waiting, as we serve those around us. Our love and obedient service for Christ can lead others to be prepared for His return.

LIVE IT OUT: Your student has been encouraged to take practical steps to take his or her faith and Live It Out.

FAMILY CONNECTION

Use these discussion starters to help foster a spiritual conversation with your family.

PRESCHOOL

Scripture: Acts 12:1-19

Live It Out: Review the Bible story, telling your child that people prayed for Peter. Help your preschooler think about people he knows who need help and pray with him.

The king put Peter in jail for telling about Jesus. Peter's friends were praying for him.

While Peter slept, an angel appeared and said, "Quick, get up." Chains fell off Peter, and the gates were unlocked. The angel said, "Follow me." Peter followed the angel. When they were out of the city, the angel left.

Peter went to the house where his friends were praying. He knocked. A girl named Rhoda went to the door. She heard Peter's voice ran to tell the others.

"Peter is at the door!" she said. The people praying did not believe her. Peter knocked again. When Peter's friends opened the door, they were surprised to see him. Peter told his friends how God had helped him. Peter asked his friends to tell other people how God had rescued him from prison. Then Peter left to go to another place.

KIDS

Scripture: Acts 12:1-19

Live It Out: Review the Bible story. Explain that the Holy Spirit helped the church pray for him. Help your child memorize the Weekly Bible Verse, Luke 12:12.

King Herod arrested Peter. The church gathered in someone's home and prayed for Peter.

Peter was asleep between two soldiers, bound with chains. An angel appeared and told Peter, "Get up quickly!" As soon as the angel spoke, the chains fell off of Peter.

The angel told Peter to get dressed and follow him. Peter followed the angel, but thought he was dreaming. Peter and the angel passed the guards and the gate opened by itself. Soon, the angel left Peter. Peter hurried to where the church was praying.

Peter knocked on the door, but no one answered. Peter kept knocking, they opened the door and saw him.

Peter told how God brought him out of the jail, but soon he left to hide from the king. The next morning the soldiers could not find Peter anywhere.

STUDENTS

Scripture: Matthew 24:42-51

- What did Jesus mean by comparing His return to the coming of a thief? What are some of the implications for us today?
- How can we determine what God is calling us to do?
- How do people today live like the unfaithful servant? How are we sometimes tempted to live similarly?

Live It Out: In this week's passage, the wicked servant lived for himself and with no thought of what the master wanted. But the faithful servant did exactly what the master asked, not only when he expected the master to return, but all the time. As God's servants, we are called to serve God through serving others, especially those who belong to the family of God.

We are called to love and serve Jesus, not only when others are looking, but at all times. The truth is that God sees all we do, say, think, and desire. How does your life demonstrate a desire to serve Jesus? Commit to a life of faithfulness in loving and serving Jesus.