

BIBLE STUDIES FOR LIFE®

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Unit 2, Session 3

CONNECTION POINT:

The Holy Spirit helps us to live holy lives.

THE BIBLE MEETS

LIFE: Gaining wisdom is almost universally considered a virtue, but we must ask: What kind of wisdom are we seeking? A lot of people and religions claim wisdom, but wisdom that does not begin with a fear of God (Prov. 1:7) is not properly grounded. As followers of Christ, we are not left alone to find wisdom, hoping we are looking in the right direction. The Holy Spirit indwells every believer and helps us understand God's truth and wisdom.

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 13

Live It Out: Share some information on missionaries with your child. Help your child write a thank-you note to the missionary. Pray for the missionary before you send the note.

Paul and Barnabas led the church at Antioch. God wanted them to go and tell people about Jesus. The church prayed for Paul and Barnabas and sent them out as missionaries.

Paul and Barnabas sailed to Cyprus. They taught about Jesus in the synagogues.

Then they sailed from the island and went to many other places. Everywhere they went, they told the people about God and that Jesus was God's Son. Many people wanted to hear more about Jesus.

In one town, the people asked Paul and Barnabas to teach them more about Jesus. Many people came. Some of the people believed Jesus was God's Son, but other people did not.

Paul and Barnabas continued to go and tell people about Jesus in many different places.

KIDS

Scripture: Acts 13

Live It Out: Research well-known missionaries. Talk about their lives and what they had to sacrifice to tell others about Jesus. Start with Paul in the Book of Acts.

God told the church in Antioch to send Barnabas and Saul to do work for God. The church prayed over Barnabas and Saul and sent them to be missionaries.

Barnabas and Paul sailed to Cyprus. Saul, now called Paul, performed a miracle. The leader in the city believed in God when he heard Paul's teaching and saw God's miracle.

Paul and his friends continued their journey. In another city, they preached about Jesus. The next week, almost the whole town gathered to hear Paul's message. Some Jewish people were became angry and began to speak against Paul and Barnabas.

God told Paul and Barnabas to share the message of Jesus to the Gentile people. The Gentile people were happy to hear God's Word. Many believed that Jesus was God's Son. The Jewish leaders made Paul and Barnabas leave their city. They continued on their journey.

STUDENTS

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 2:6-16

- When have you sought God in humility and He opened your eyes to a specific truth?
- How does the Holy Spirit help us understand the truth of God?
- What role does the Spirit play in seeing the world rightly?

Live It Out: As humans, we are individually responsible for the ways we live. However, this doesn't mean that we are alone. When we trust in Jesus for salvation, the Spirit comes into our lives and teaches us the ways we should walk and provides the strength to live well. Further, the Spirit, as our Helper, continually intercedes before the Father on our behalf.

We are commanded to live lives of holiness (Lev. 11:44-45), but we cannot do it on our own. Actively seek the Holy Spirit's help in pursuing holiness. Help your teen to create a list of areas where they need wisdom. Then, seek answers in Scripture and pray that God would help you know how to apply His wisdom to your life in real ways.