

## BIBLE STUDIES FOR LIFE®

### SPRING 2025

Unit 2, Session 5

#### CONNECTION POINT:

God is more powerful than those who oppose us.

#### THE BIBLE MEETS

**LIFE:** The world is at war and every human being is involved in the conflict. But this is not a war of country against country; it is a spiritual battle. As believers, we often don't think in these terms. However, only by realizing we are in this fight can we stand in Christ against Satan and his wiles. Thankfully, we don't stand alone. God Himself stands with us whenever we face opposition.

**LIVE IT OUT:** Your student has been encouraged to take practical steps to live out his or her faith.

# FAMILY CONNECTION

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

## PRESCHOOL

**Scripture:** Acts 12:1-19

**Live It Out:** Teach your preschooler to pray. Instead of using memorized prayers, model praying for specific needs for others. Say the Weekly Verse with your child.

Peter told many people about Jesus. The king did not want people to hear about Jesus, so he put Peter in jail. Peter's church friends gathered to pray for him.

An angel appeared to Peter and said, "Quick, get up." Chains fell off Peter, and the gates were unlocked. The angel said, "Follow me." Peter followed the angel into the city. Then the angel left. Peter knew God had sent the angel to help him.

Peter went to the house where his church friends were praying and knocked on the door. A girl went to the door, heard Peter's voice, and ran to tell the others.

"Peter is at the door!" she said. The people didn't believe her. Peter knocked again and his friends opened the door. They were surprised to see him. Peter told his friends how God had helped him. Peter left to go to another place to tell more people about Jesus.

## KIDS

**Scripture:** Acts 18:1,4-11; 1 Corinthians 1-4; 15:1-11

**Live It Out:** On several index cards print the words and reference of 1 Corinthians 1:10. Commit to memorizing and discussing this Bible verse together.

Paul was a missionary who taught the people in Corinth the good news about Jesus. Many people placed their faith in Jesus, and the church in Corinth grew.

After Paul left Corinth, he received a message about conflicts and arguments among the people in the Corinthian church. Paul wrote a letter to help them know how to live. Paul warned his Corinthian friends not to argue about which of the church leaders was best but instead to show love and glory to God through all they do. He told them not to brag about being wise. He wrote: "Anyone who boasts should boast about God!"

Paul wrote the most important thing Christians need to know: Jesus died for our sins and was raised to life, just as Scriptures promised. Paul announced to them: "I am what I am because of God's grace!"

## STUDENTS

**Scripture:** 2 Kings 6:8-12,15-23

- How can you prepare for the temptations and trials you will face as you follow Jesus?
- When have you experienced God's protection?
- Why is it so important that we, as followers of Jesus, show kindness and not revenge when we are mistreated?

**Live It Out:** In this world, we'll experience trouble which will sometimes tempt us to be afraid. We need to remember a few things: God is our Father and He is all powerful, and because He loves us, He will use His power to take care of His children.

Scripture teaches that we are involved in a spiritual battle and have a real adversary who seeks to destroy us. Thankfully, we serve a God who has promised to protect us and is far more powerful than the enemy. Encourage your student to spend time every day this week in God's Word and in prayer, as these practices are foundational to experiencing victory each day.