

BK Sundays Family Take Home Sheet

The Apostles Were Arrested

Acts 5

Christ Connection:

Jesus calls His followers to be faithful and tell others about Him, even in times of trouble. Just as Jesus experienced rejection and suffering, so will His followers. We can have joy in suffering, knowing God uses our suffering, like Christ's, for His glory.

Lesson Summary:

Jesus' friends were healing people and telling people about Jesus. More and more people believed in Jesus. This made the religious leaders mad. They put Jesus' friends in jail to make them stop. But that night, an angel opened the doors of the jail so Jesus' friends could go free. The friends kept telling people about Jesus. "We told you to stop talking about Jesus!" the religious leaders said. "Now everyone in the city has heard!" Jesus' friend Peter said, "We must obey God. God raised Jesus to life, and He is our Savior. He came to forgive people's sins."

Discussion Starters:

How were Peter and John faithful during difficulties?

How have you seen God use hard times in your own life for His glory?

Prayer Prompts:

*Pray for courage and endurance to face the suffering and cost that comes with following Jesus. What difficulties might we face when following Jesus? How can our response to these hard times help others follow Jesus?

*Praise God for His faithfulness to us—even when our faith is weak. Thank Him for loving us, caring for us, and for promising to always be with us. How does God's faithfulness in all things strengthen our desire to follow Him?

Activity:

Play a game of "Red Light, Green Light" with kids. Kids can move across the room toward you when you say, "Green light," but must stop and freeze when you say, "Red light." After the game, talk about the story from Acts 5 of when the followers of Jesus continued sharing the good news even when they were told to stop.

Serving Idea:

Ask your church for a list of members who cannot physically attend church to learn about Jesus. Offer to visit a church member and deliver a meal and Bible study materials from the church. Pray for the others on the list.

Talk with kids about the benefits of being a part of the church, which includes supporting other members when we face hard times.

Unit 31 Key Verse

"But he was pierced because of our rebellion, crushed because of our iniquities; punishment for our peace was on him, and we are healed by his wounds."

Isaiah 53:5