

Isaac Blesses His Sons

Genesis 27



Isaac













Esau
















Jacob















Rebekah







 and  were twins.  was the older and the favorite of his father, . One day,  called  into his room.  was getting very old and he wanted to give  the blessing that was given to the oldest son. “Go out and hunt,” his father said, “and then prepare my favorite meal. Bring it to me, and I will bless you,” said .  left to go hunting.



Now ,  and ’s mother, heard what  was planning. She wanted  to receive the blessing. She told  to get a few goats. She prepared a meal that  would like. Then she dressed  in ’s clothing and sent him in to  with the food to get the blessing.

, who was nearly blind, asked who was there.  lied and said, “.

 still wasn’t sure, so he asked him to come near him so he could feel him. Then he hugged  and smelled ’s clothes.  then blessed , telling him that he would rule over all his brothers.

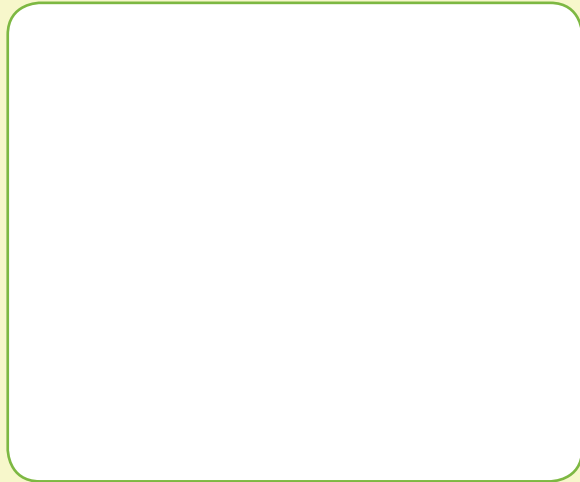
After  left the room,  entered with the food he had prepared. But he was too late, and  could not take back the blessing he gave . Now  hated  because of the blessing his father had given .

 was so angry that  thought he would kill . For ’s safety,  told Isaac that  should leave and travel many miles to live with her brother. There he could find a wife. And that is what happened.

The promise of a Savior passed from Abraham to  and now to .

Although all these men were sinful, God was faithful and kept His Word.

Sharing God's Love and Forgiveness




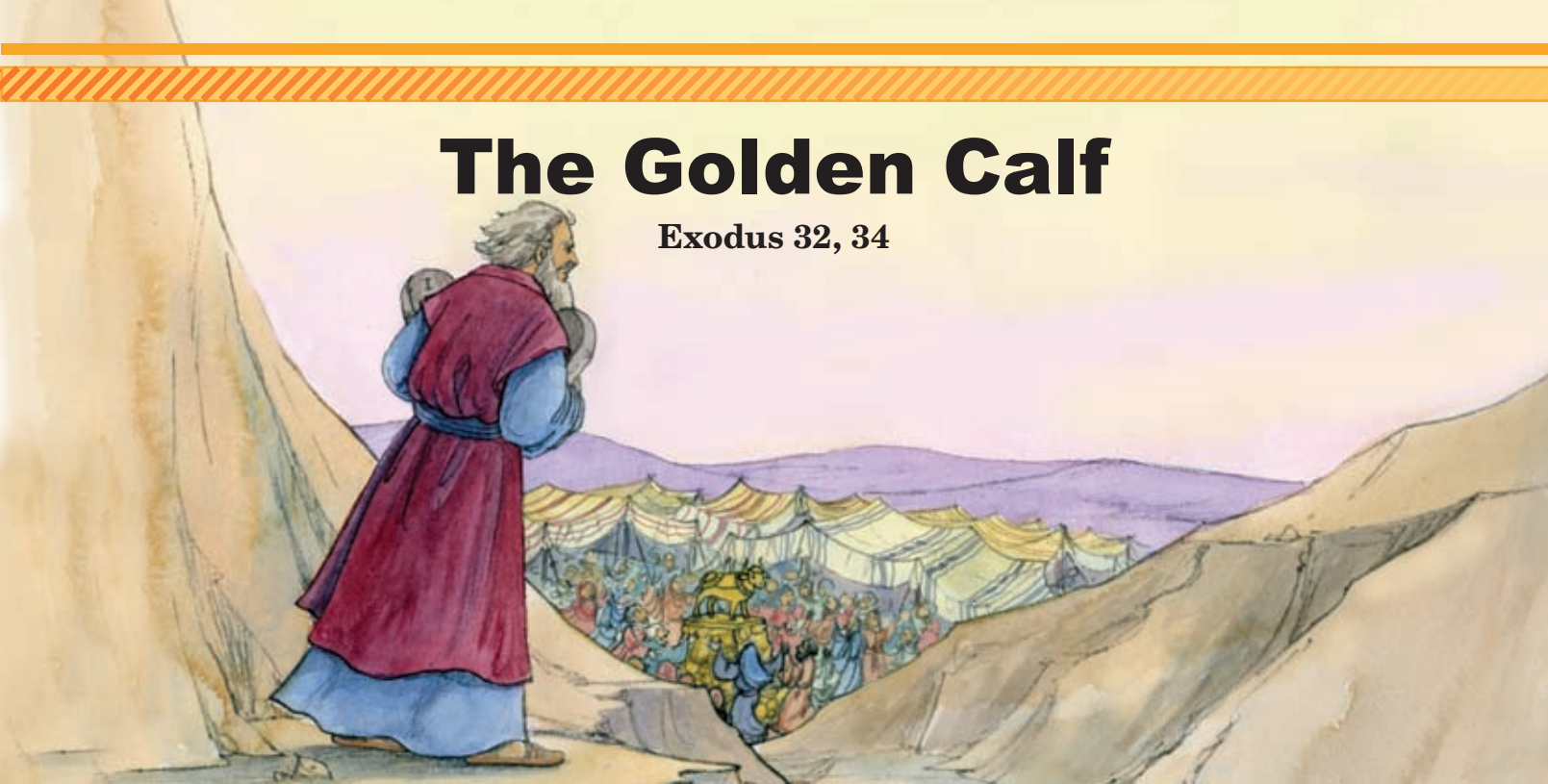
Bible Words to Remember

Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you. Matthew 5:44



The Golden Calf

Exodus 32, 34



Moses was **up** on Mount Sinai a long time, talking to God. The people of Israel didn't know what had happened to him. **Down** below, they got tired of waiting. They said to Aaron, "Make us gods."


The people brought their gold jewelry, and Aaron made it into a golden calf. The people worshiped the calf and danced **around** it. They said it was their new god.

Up on the mountain, God saw everything. He was angry. So Moses prayed that God would not destroy the people. God was merciful. He told Moses to go back **down** because the people were doing wicked things.

Moses went **down** the mountain with the two tablets from God. When Moses came near the camp, he saw the calf and the dancers. Now Moses was angry. He threw **down** the tablets. They broke into pieces. He burned the calf. He punished the people who did not love God. God said the people should repent.

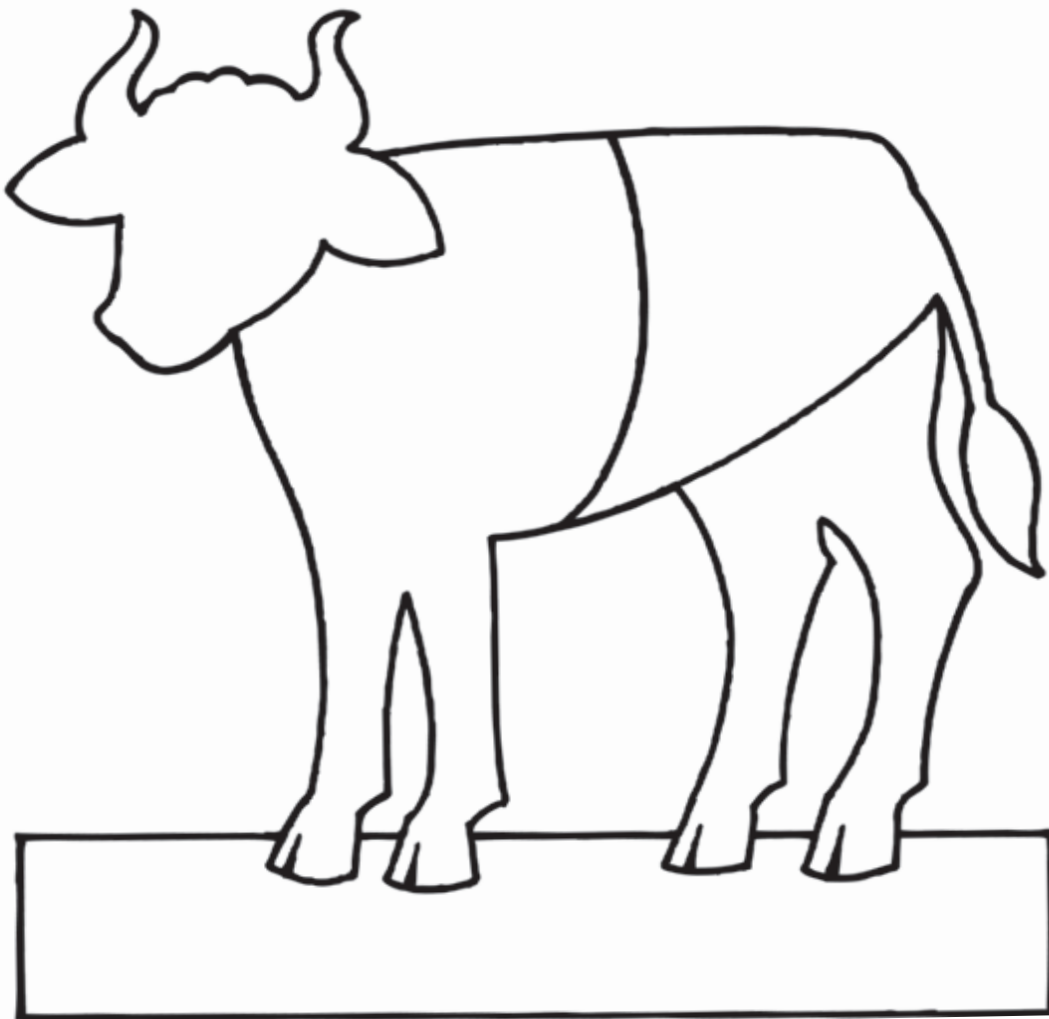
Then Moses made two stone tablets like the first ones and went **up** Mount Sinai. There, he spoke to God and asked God to forgive the sins of the people. God agreed.

When Moses came **down** with the two tablets, his face was radiant because he had spoken to God.



Whom Do You Fear, Love, and Trust?

Directions: The people of Israel did not always fear, love, and trust in God. As you hear your teacher read about other people, decide whom they trust. Color in a part of the calf when you hear about people whose actions show that they do not fear, love, and trust God above all things.



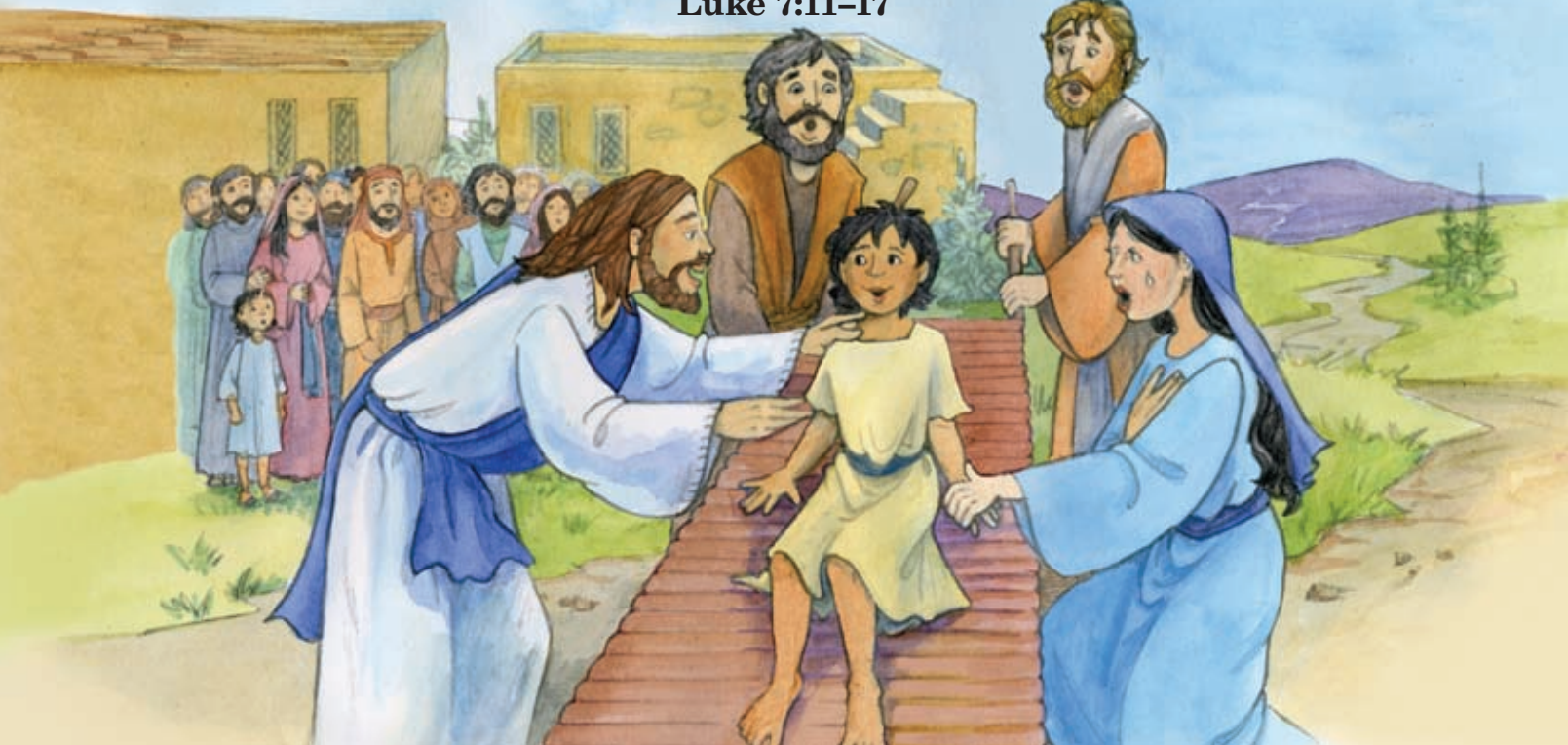
Bible Words to Remember

[God is] merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love. Exodus 34:6



Jesus Brings a Widow's Son to Life

Luke 7:11-17



Jesus went to a town called **Nain**. His disciples and a big crowd of people came with Him. They wanted to know more about Jesus and learn from Him.

As they entered the town, a **boy who had died** was being carried out. The boy's mother was there, weeping. The boy was her only child, and she was a **widow**. Lots of people from the town were with her. Everyone was crying and filled with sadness.

When Jesus saw the mother, his heart went out to her. He wanted to help her. Jesus said, "Don't **cry**."

He went over and touched the coffin. The people carrying it stood still. They were probably wondering what Jesus was going to do.

Jesus said, "Young man, I tell you: **Get up!**" The boy sat up and began talking. Jesus helped him get up and walk back to his mother.

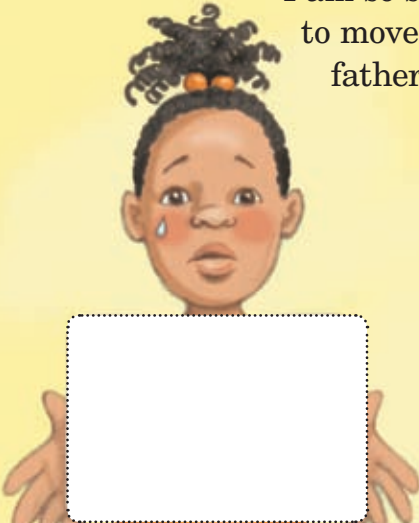
His mother was filled with joy! She was so happy that her only son was alive again. All of the people were excited too. They thanked God and were amazed at what happened.

The people knew Jesus was no ordinary person. They said, "A great **prophet** is with us." Then they said, "**God** has come to help His people." They praised Jesus and told their friends and family about Him. The news of Jesus' miracle spread through the country.


Jesus' Gift of Life

Directions: Listen to your teacher read the story. Decide which Bible verse would help each person understand Jesus' victory over death. Place a gift-shaped sticker in each person's hands.

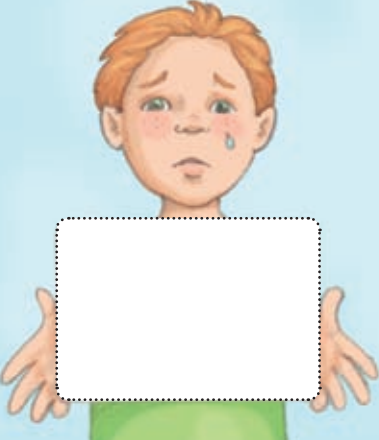
I am so sad. We have to move because my father lost his job.



I am so sad. My dog, Axel, was run over by a car.



I am so sad. My grandmother died.



I am so sad. A hurricane ruined our town.



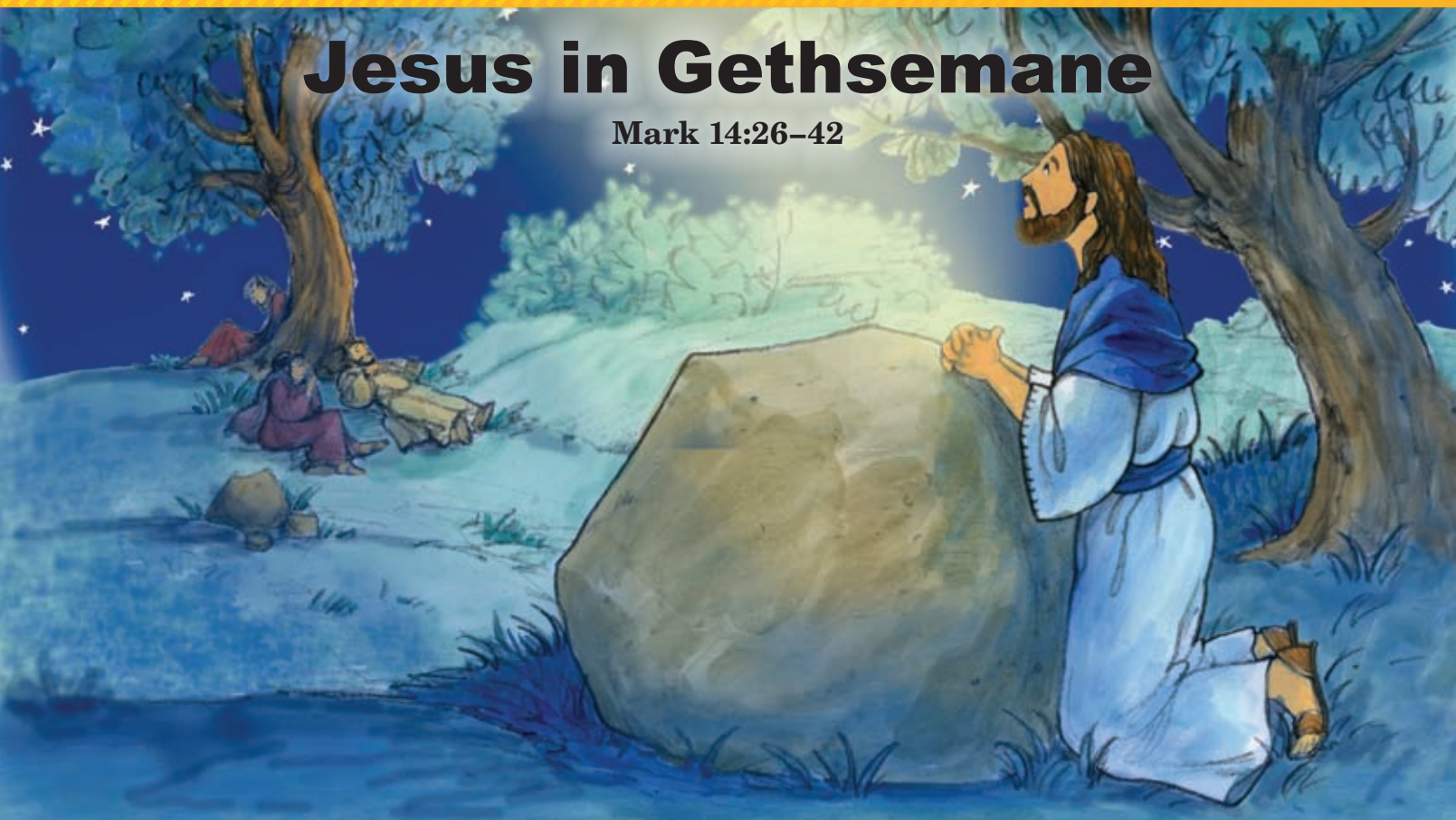
Bible Words to Remember

I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in Me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in Me shall never die. John 11:25-26



Jesus in Gethsemane

Mark 14:26–42



After supper, Jesus and His disciples went to the Mount of Olives. Jesus told them, “You are all going to run away when My enemies come.”

Peter was surprised. He said, “Even if everyone else runs away, I will never leave You!”

Jesus answered, “This very night, before the rooster crows twice, you will say three times that you don’t know Me.”

Peter declared, “Even if I have to die with You, I will never deny knowing You!” The other disciples said the same thing.

They went to a garden called Gethsemane. Jesus told most of His disciples, “Stay here while I pray.”

He took Peter, James, and John with Him farther into the garden. Jesus told them, “I feel very sad.” He knew His friends would leave Him. He asked them, “Stay here and keep watch with Me.”

Jesus walked a little bit away from

them. He prayed, “Father, if there is a way for Me to save all people from their sins without having to suffer and die, please take away My pain! But do what You want, not what I want. **Thy will be done.**”

Jesus came back and found the disciples asleep. He said to them, “Can’t you stay awake for even one hour? Watch and pray so you don’t fall into sin.”

Jesus went and prayed the same prayer. “Father,” He said, “**Thy will be done.**”

Jesus came back and found the disciples asleep again!

Jesus went and prayed a third time, “**Thy will be done.**”

When He returned, Jesus said to His disciples, “Wake up! You’ve slept long enough. Look! My enemies are coming now!”

Wake Up! Look Out for the Devil!

Directions: The disciples fell asleep in the Garden of Gethsemane. We sometimes become lazy and forget to be aware of how the devil is tempting us to do what we want, not what God wants. Fill in the correct square after each example.

	My Will	Thy Will
1. Taking medicine so I feel better	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Not taking medicine	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Not doing my homework	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Doing my homework so I learn more	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Not picking up my room	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Picking up my room	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Playing a video game	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Getting ready to go to church	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Taking time to pray for my friends and family	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Going to bed right away without prayers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Bible Words to Remember

Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving. Colossians 4:2



The Jailer at Philippi

Acts 16:16-40



To begin, choose readers and actors. You will need seven people: a narrator, Paul, Silas, two prisoners, a jailer, and a jailer's helper.

Narrator: Paul and Silas were in prison, but that did not stop them from telling people about Jesus. Paul and Silas prayed and sang to God while the other prisoners listened.

Paul: Dear Lord, please forgive these men for the wrong things they are doing. Help them to know that You love them and sent Jesus to be their Savior.

Silas: *(Singing)* Praise God from whom all blessings flow! Praise Him, all creatures here below!

Narrator: About midnight, there was an earthquake.

Prisoner 1: What's going on? It's an earthquake! Help!

Prisoner 2: Wait, the doors are opening! My chains fell off! It's a miracle!

Narrator: It's true. The prison doors opened. Every prisoner's chains fell off. The jailer woke up and saw that the doors were open. He was afraid that all the prisoners had escaped.

Jailer: Oh, no! The doors are open. The prisoners must have escaped. I'm in big trouble!

Narrator: The jailer was about to kill himself because losing prisoners was not allowed.

Paul: Stop! We are all here!

Narrator: This news surprised the jailer.

Jailer: *(To a helper)* Give me a torch! *(Runs into jail by Paul and Silas).* Sirs, what must I do to be saved?

Paul: Believe in the Lord Jesus! Then you will be saved, you and everyone in your house.

Narrator: The jailer invited Paul and Silas to his house. There he cleaned up their wounds. Paul and Silas told the jailer and his family all about Jesus. Everyone believed and was baptized. And the Gospel spread.

Build Up Each Other in Love

Directions: What could you do to encourage the person in each picture? Put a sticker by each one. Some stickers may fit more than one place.



Bible Words to Remember

[Jesus said,] “Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation.”

Mark 16:15

