

# PRISON BREAK

[Scooter and Beth enter from opposite sides of the stage.]

**Beth:** Hey, Scooter! How was your trip to California?

**Scooter:** Cool! We got to see the Golden Gate Bridge. And I got to ride on a real trolley. And we went to [spooky voice] Alcatraz!

**Beth:** The famous prison?

**Scooter:** Yep. It's not a prison anymore, but you can take a tour. It was spooky!

**Beth:** Didn't some of the worst criminals go there?

**Scooter:** Yes. And some people believe that some of them escaped! But they would have had to swim half a mile through freezing cold water, so the chances that they're out there ...

**Beth:** Not very good.

**Scooter:** Especially since the last reported jailbreak was 60 years ago.

**Beth:** You know the Bible talks about an amazing prison break.

**Scooter:** It does?!

**Beth:** Yeah, after Paul became a follower of Jesus, he started talking about Jesus to EVERYONE. Some people didn't like that, so they put Paul in prison.

**Scooter:** That's not fair!

**Beth:** It wasn't. But you know what Paul did? He sang! He and his partner Silas sang praise to God, so the people in jail would know about him.

**Scooter:** That's incredible. I don't think I'd feel like singing if I were in jail.

**Beth:** Not only that, but in the middle of the night God caused a big earthquake and Paul's chains fell off and the doors of the prison opened.

**Scooter:** Did he escape?

**Beth:** No. He and Silas stayed to talk to the jailer. And the jailer and his WHOLE FAMILY believed in Jesus!

**Scooter:** That is a CRAZY story. People always want to escape from prison; they don't just sit there when they can GO FREE!

**Beth:** But Paul and Silas were different. They cared more about people believing in Jesus than their own freedom.

**Scooter:** That makes me think.

**Beth:** What do you mean?

**Scooter:** I don't know if I'd do the same thing to help someone believe.

**Beth:** But maybe you would. When you're following Jesus, you never know what amazing things you might do!

**Scooter:** I'll remember that. Now do you want to hear more about [spooky voice] ALCATRAZ?

**Beth:** I think I'll pass. But you can tell me more about the trolley.

**Scooter:** [as he and Beth exit] Well, it went up these GINORMOUS hills. And it had a bell that rang every time we came to a ...

[Both exit.]