

Let's Talk: Day 330-One Story

Peter – Jerusalem Persecution – Do not Give up on Prayer nor Doubt that God Answers Prayer

Today's Reading: Acts 12:1-24; Luke 18:1-8; James 1:2-8

Have everyone share one prayer request that is impossible to be answered unless God does a miracle. Write them on a paper and post them in a public place. Commit to praying through those requests until God gives you an answer.

Questions:

1. Describe what Peter's imprisonment by Herod looked like. What was the church doing for Peter?
2. How did Peter "escape?" What was Peter doing when the angel came? Can you imagine being that relaxed in those circumstances?
3. What did Rhoda do when Peter knocked at the door? Has God ever answered your prayer and you had a hard time believing it? Explain.
4. What happened to Herod? How does this chapter remind us that God is in control? Why is it sometimes hard for us to believe that in the moment?

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Paul – Salvation – Saul (later known as "Paul") Persecutes the Church & Meets Jesus

Today's Reading: Acts 8:1-3; Acts 9:1-31; Galatians 1:10-24

Have someone in the family share how they first "met" Jesus.

Questions:

1. Describe Saul before he met Jesus. What was he planning to do in Damascus?

2. What happened to Saul on the road to Damascus? What did his traveling companions see and hear? Why do you think Saul's friends had a different experience from Saul?
3. What did Ananias do? If you were him, what would you have been thinking as you were walking to meet Saul?
4. How did Saul's life change after he met Jesus? How has your life changed? If it hasn't changed much, why do you think that is?

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Paul – Antioch – A New Church Plant, Sending Relief to Jerusalem, & Being Good Stewards

Today's Reading: Acts 11:19-30; Acts 12:25; 1Peter 4:7-11

Research how your church supports other churches globally and decide how your family can help. Consider going without something for a week or month and designate that money to one of your global partners/missionaries. You can send them an encouraging card as well.

Questions:

1. What did Barnabas do in Antioch? What did Barnabas do in Tarsus?
2. What kind of personality do you imagine Barnabas to have? How do you think he is different in his personality from Paul?
3. How did the church of Antioch help the church in Jerusalem? Has your church ever helped another church around the world?
4. According to 1Peter 4, what is the purpose for our giving? Is that your purpose when you give?

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Paul – Journey # 1 (Cyprus, Antioch of Pisidia) – The Church at Antioch Sends Missionaries

Today's Reading: Acts 13; Matthew 28:18-20; Acts 1:8

After today's reading, decide what Acts 1:8 looks like in your family. How are you willing to be used to reach your neighbor? How are you willing to be used to reach the world? What might you have to stop doing so you can do this? Write it down, pray through it and have

everyone sign their name if they agree. Post this where you will see it and be reminded of your commitment.

Questions:

1. How did the church of Antioch decide that Paul and Barnabas needed to go on a mission's trip? How does your family make big decisions?
2. How did Paul speak to the sorcerer? What happened?
3. Who did Paul speak to first at Antioch of Pisidia? Why do you think them first? What people group did he speak with next? How did each group respond to Paul's message?
4. What does Matthew 28 and Acts 1:8 tell us to do? What is your Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria and uttermost?

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Paul – Journey #1 (Iconium, Lystra, Derbe) – Paul's Miracles, Message, & Suffering

Today's Reading: Acts 14; 2Timothy 3:10-13; Romans 15:15-21

Get a map out from your bible or online and look up where Paul traveled. Now look at a modern map. What countries are those places in today?

Questions:

1. What was the response when Paul and Barnabas preached to both Jews and Gentiles? Is that different from the response you might get today?
2. What did Paul do immediately after he was stoned? What would you have done? What "promise" do we read about in 2Timothy 3? How does that make you feel?
3. On the way back home, what did Paul do at the cities where he had started churches?
4. What can you learn from Paul and the way he lived his life in this chapter?

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Paul – Church Council at Jerusalem – The Old Testament Laws, Circumcision, & the Gentiles

Today's Reading: Acts 15:1-35; Acts 21:25; Galatians 2

Today we are talking about God's grace versus Old Testament law. Look at <http://people.howstuffworks.com/10-archaic-laws.htm#page=0> to see some crazy laws that are still in effect.

Questions:

1. What did Paul and Barnabas argue about with some of the disciples in Jerusalem?
2. What did Peter say regarding this argument?
3. Why did Paul have to confront Peter in Antioch? What was Peter doing? Does that encourage you that even great heroes of Christianity needed to be corrected occasionally?
4. What do you think the last verse of Galatians 2 means? Are you trusting in anything outside of the grace of God in your relationship with Him?

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Today's Reading: Weekly day OFF

Weekly Review: Think back on this week's reading. What story stands out to you and why? As a family, pick a verse from the week to meditate on or memorize.