

## **Singing for God!**

**August 23, 2020**

**Bible Story: Acts 16: 16-40**

**Background for the lesson:**

**Paul and Silas traveled to different cities telling people about Jesus' love. IN one city, they met a woman who was a slave. She made a lot of money for her owners because she could tell people's fortunes. Paul freed the woman. That made her owners mad, so they had Paul and Silas thrown in jail. But Paul and Silas knew God was always with them, so they sang and prayed in the jail. At midnight, an earthquake shook the jail and all of the prisoners' chains fell off. The strange thing in this story is none of the prisoners ran away when they had the chance. The jailer was so amazed that he and all his family believed in Jesus that night.**

**Find Acts 16: 16-40 in the Bible. Either read the story from the Bible or read the attached Bible story that is a summary.**

**Ask: Have you ever been treated unfairly? How do you act when you feel like you are punished for something you didn't do?**

**Enjoy the attached activities.**

**Share the following blessing with each other. Blessings show how special you are to God.**

**(Say the name of the person \_\_\_\_\_), God loves you. God remembers you. God will always be with you.**

**YOU ARE SO LOVED!!! AMEN!!!**

## Paul and Silas

Acts 16:16-40

**P**aul and Silas went through the town telling everyone they knew about Jesus. Some people listened to Paul and Silas. They liked what Paul and Silas had to say.



But some people did not want Paul and Silas to tell others about Jesus. They said, "Send them to jail!" So Paul and Silas were put in jail. Their hands and feet were chained to the wall. But Paul and Silas were not sad. They prayed and sang songs to God.



Suddenly, the jail began to shake! It was an earthquake! The chains on Paul and Silas fell apart. The jail door swung open.


"Oh, no!" said the jailer when he saw the open door. "I'm sure all my prisoners ran away. I'll get in trouble for letting them go."

"Don't worry," said Paul. "Everyone is still here."

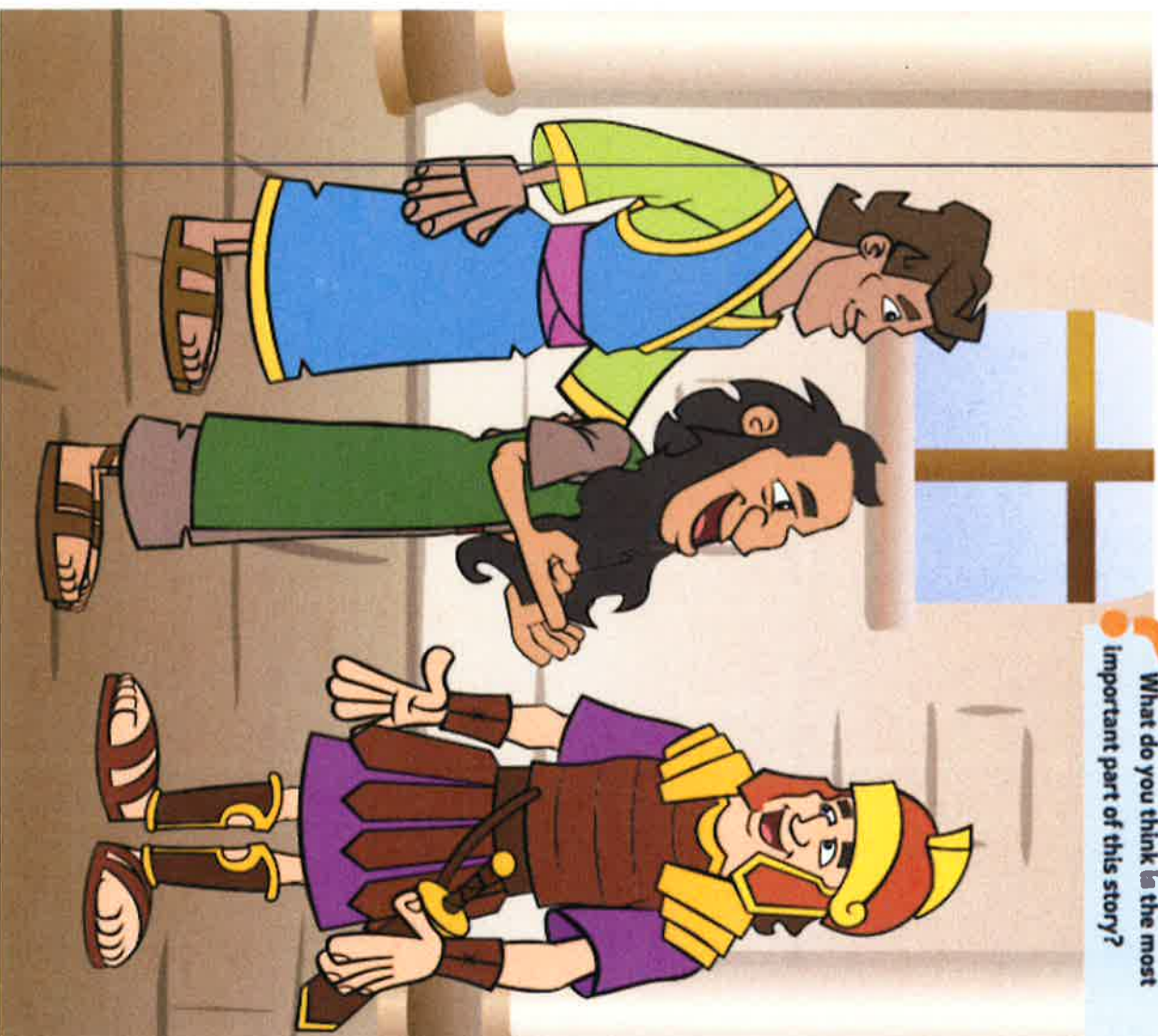
Then Paul and Silas told the jailer about Jesus.

"I want to know more," said the jailer.

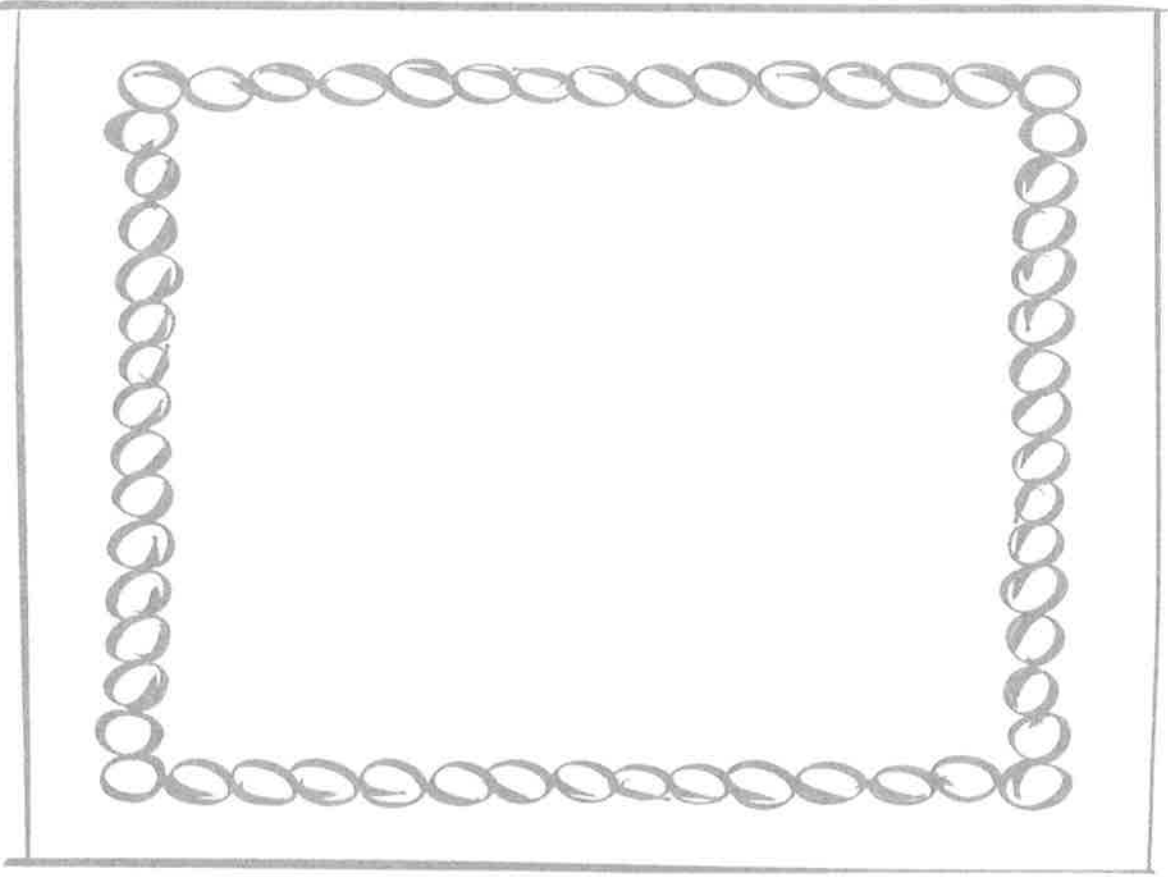
"Come home with me and tell my whole family about Jesus."

So Paul and Silas went home with the jailer and told his whole family about Jesus. The jailer and his family became followers of Jesus. 

 What do you think is the most important part of this story?



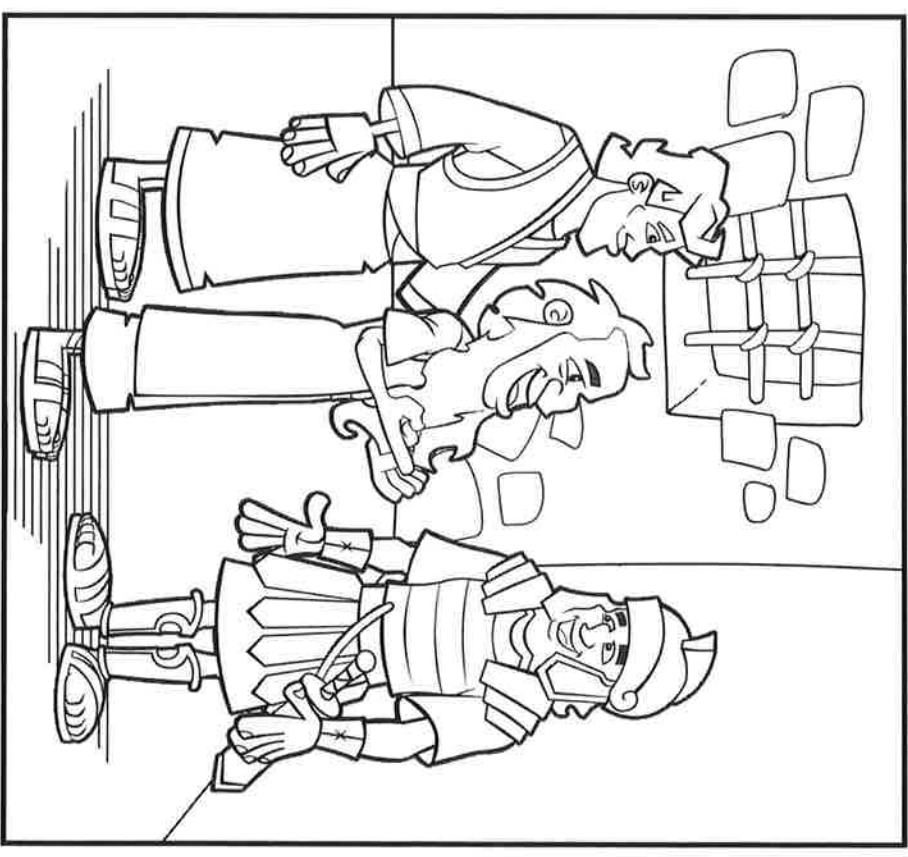
Paul and Silas told the jailer about Jesus. Who can you tell about Jesus? Draw them in the frame below.



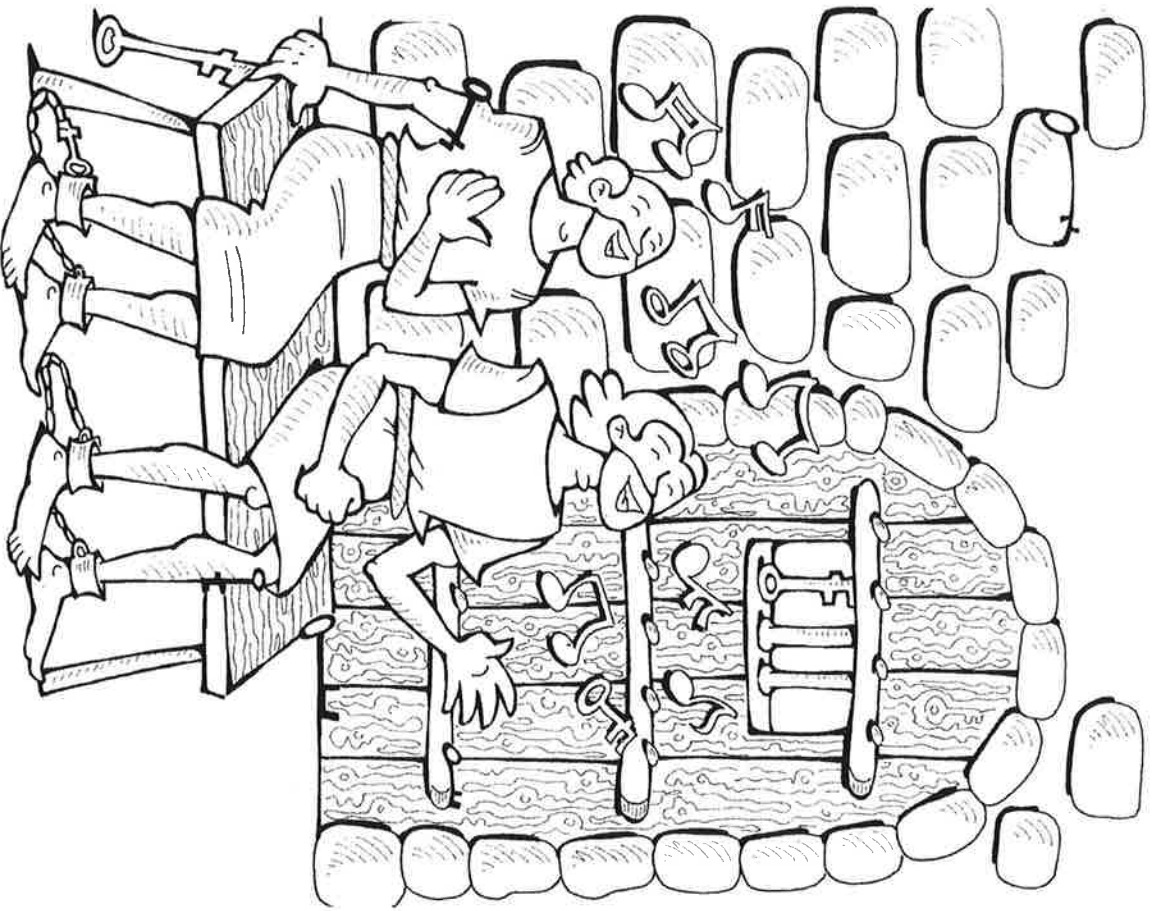
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Acts 16:16-40

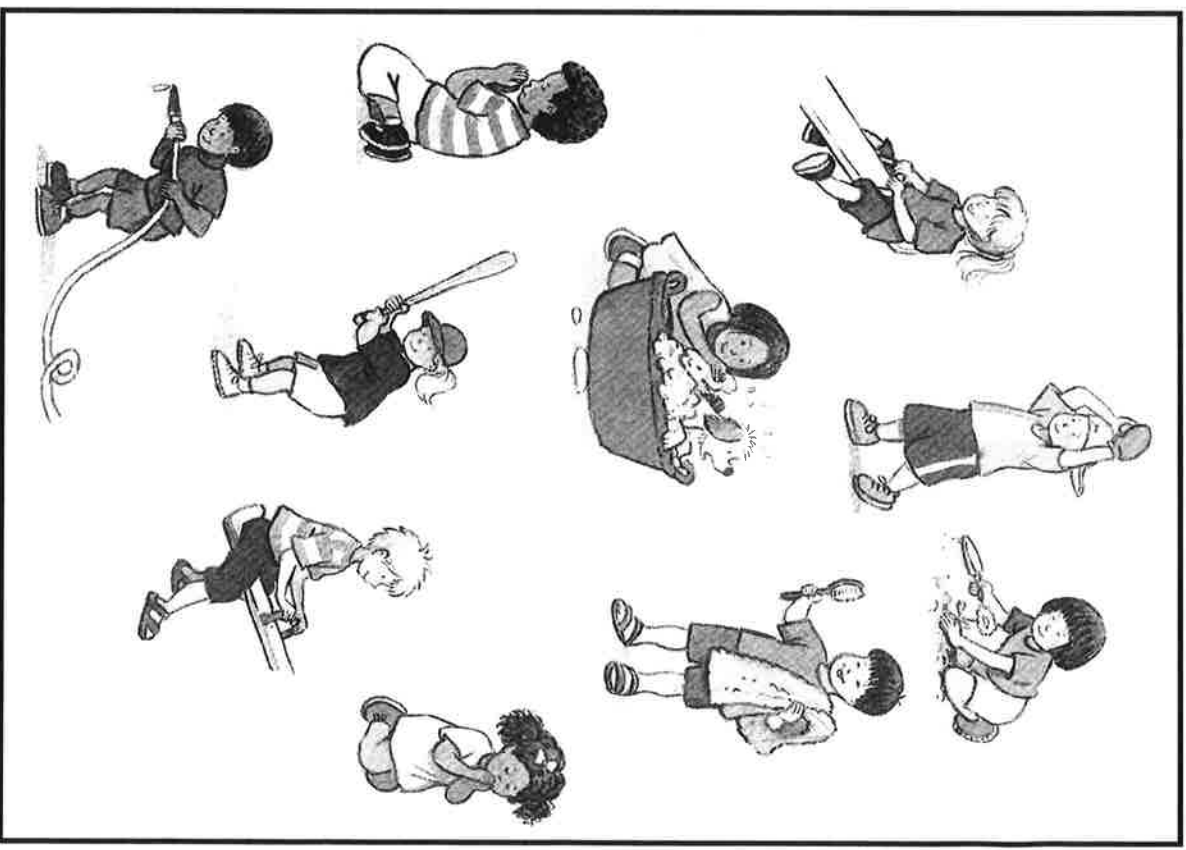
Paul and Silas were in jail because some people didn't want them to tell people about Jesus. An earthquake broke the jail open, and they were free. But Paul and Silas stayed with the jailer so that that he didn't get in trouble.



Paul and Silas were locked in the jail. Can you find 10 keys in the picture below?



Paul and Silas were good ministry partners. You can be a good partner, too. Draw lines to connect the partners below.



# Bible Verse Paper Chain - Activity

*Cut out and make a paper chain with this wonderful verse!*

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**SHOUT TRIUMPHANTLY**

**TO THE LORD**

**ALL THE EARTH!**

**PSALM 100:1**



# Favorite Hymn - Craft

Fill in the bubbles above Paul & Silas with words from your favorite church song! :)

