# **Peter Escaped from Prison**

Activity Ideas

**BIBLE PASSAGE: Acts 12** 

**STORY POINT:** God rescued Peter from Prison

MEMORY VERSE: Matthew 28:19-20

• REVIEW MEMORY VERSE: 1 Chronicles 16:31

BIG PICTURE QUESTION: What is our mission as Christians? Our mission is to make disciples of all

nations by the power of the Holy Spirit.

# **Explore Chains and Locks**

Set out a variety of locks and keys for children to explore.

SAY • Peter was tied up in chains when God rescued Peter from prison. God sent an angel to help Peter in answer to His people's prayers. When the angel told Peter to get up, the chains fell off of Peter's wrists. He followed the angel all the way out of the prison gate! Peter knew that God wanted him to share the good news about Jesus with everyone, no matter what. This was Peter's mission, the main thing God wanted him to do. God wants us to share the good news too. What is our mission as Christians? Our mission is to make followers of Jesus from every nation by the power of the Holy Spirit.

## **Cultural Blends**

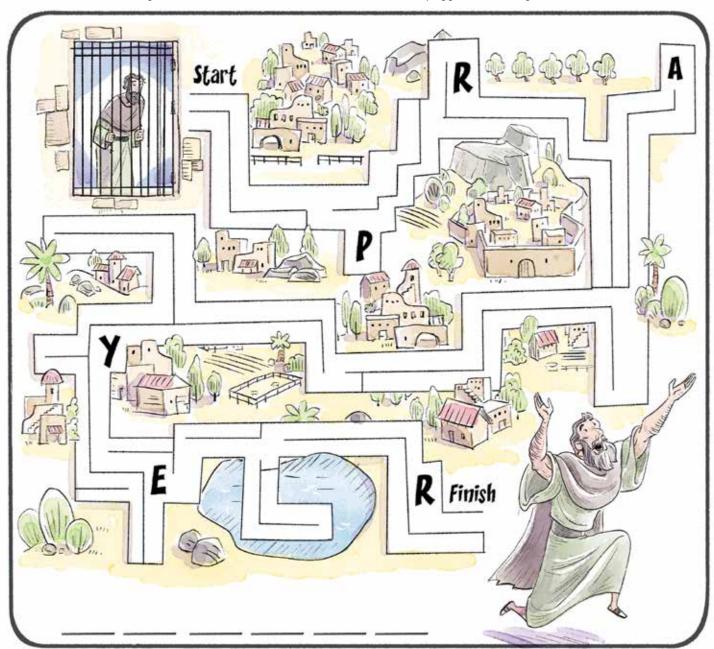
## Cultural blends

SAY •J.D. and Andreina Fasolino are from Venezuela. The culture there is different from the culture in Toronto, Canada, where their family lives now. Even in Toronto, the Fasolinos speak Spanish at home. Missionaries learn to blend their cultures. Form two groups. Challenge each group to imagine a pretend country. Encourage them to write down some things that characterize their country's culture. Prompt them with the following questions: How do the people in your country greet each other? What is considered bad manners? How do most people get around? What is a typical house like? What are the schools like? What kinds of foods are most popular? What language do they speak? Ask each group to share about its new country. Then discuss how the people of one country might struggle if they visited the other country. (Example: Making eye contact in one country might show you are listening to someone, but it might be considered rude or threatening in another country!)

SAY •Missionaries who move to a new country have to get used to new cultures. What is our mission as Christians? Our mission is to make disciples of all nations by the power of the Holy Spirit.

# **Prison Break**

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Complete the maze and write each letter in the order they appeared on the path.



Younger Kids Activity Pages

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#### **BIBLE STORY SUMMARY:**

- Peter was arrested because he believed in Jesus.
- The church in Jerusalem prayed for Peter while he was in prison.
- An angel appeared to Peter in prison, waking him and removing his chains.
- God rescued Peter from prison.

**KEY PASSAGE:** Matthew 28:19-20

## **BIG PICTURE QUESTION:**

 What is our mission as Christians? Our mission is to make disciples of all nations by the power of the Holy Spirit.

#### **FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:**

- Why did the church pray for Peter?
- Who can we pray for?
- What should we do if God doesn't answer our prayers the way we want Him to?

#### **FAMILY ACTIVITY:**

 Walk with your family through your neighborhood, praying for the people who live in your community. Take time to share encouraging words with anyone you meet.







# **Match the Doors**

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Draw lines to connect the doors that are the same.



Preschool Activity Pages

Unit 32 · Session 1
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#### **BIBLE STORY SUMMARY:**

- Peter was in prison.
- Believers in the church prayed for Peter.
- God rescued Peter from prison by sending an angel to free him.
- Peter told the believers how God rescued him.

**KEY PASSAGE:** Matthew 28:19-20

### **BIG PICTURE QUESTION:**

 What is our mission as Christians? Our mission is to make followers of Jesus from every nation by the power of the Holy Spirit.

#### **FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:**

- How would you have felt if you were Peter?
- Do you think you would have stopped to let Peter in the door unlike Rhoda?
- Do you think you would have believed Rhoda that Peter was free?
- Why does God hear our prayers?

#### **FAMILY ACTIVITY:**

• Identify someone your family knows who has a great need. Pray for the situation daily as a family, asking God to help.



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