

Paul's Testimony

Session 2024-20

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Hi Tweens,

Opening Prayer

"Heavenly Father, we gather together and come into agreement in the wonderful and powerful name of Jesus Christ where two or more gathered, there you'll be in the midst of us and anything we agree upon is touching you, surely will do father in Jesus name there's no distance in the spirit". Amen.

The story in this week's lesson "**Paul's Testimony**" is from the book of Acts. Paul gave us a great example of how we can share our testimony. A testimony is sharing something that has happened to you. Paul shared about his heritage. Some in the crowd may have even known Paul before he followed Christ. Paul told of the dramatic light on his way to Damascus that blinded him. Paul told of his encounter with Jesus and of his new commitment to faithfully share the message of Christ around the world and to the Gentiles.
Enjoy this week's story!

Bible Passage: ACTS 21:26-22:30

Memory Verse: MATTHEW 28:19-20 NIV

¹⁹ Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely, I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

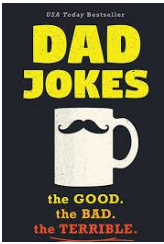
Bible Verse: 2 CORINTHIANS 5:17 NIV



Text Truth: We can tell others the story of how Jesus has transformed our lives.

Bible Skills Spotlight: Understand that the Bible teaches people how to live in a way that brings glory to God. Name all the books of the Old Testament and all the books of the New Testament.

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Q: When does a joke become a dad joke?

A: When it becomes apparent.

- “Today’s Bible story is about Paul’s Testimony.”
- “What does it mean to have a **testimony**?” According to the Holman Illustrated Bible Dictionary for Kids, a testimony is ‘when someone tells about his experience or about something he has seen.’ It further states that each person can tell what God has done in his life.”

ENJOY THIS WEEK’S STORY!

One day, Paul was in the temple in Jerusalem when some Jews from the province of Asia saw him. They began to stir up the crowd and they grabbed Paul, shouting, “Fellow Israelites, help! This man teaches against our people, our law, and this place.”

Paul was dragged out of the temple. The people were trying to kill Paul, but the commander of the regiment heard that Jerusalem was in chaos. He immediately ran to see what was happening. When the people saw him, they stopped hurting Paul. The commander arrested Paul and asked who he was and what he had done. But people were shouting different

things, so the commander could not figure out what was true. The commander

ordered that Paul be taken to the barracks.



Paul asked the commander for permission to speak, and the commander agreed. Paul stood on the steps and spoke to the people in Aramaic. Paul shared the story of how Jesus had transformed his life. “I am a Jew born in Tarsus. I studied the law under Gamaliel and was zealous for God, like you are today. I persecuted followers of Jesus and put people in jail. One day, I was traveling to Damascus to arrest more followers of Jesus.”

“As I approached the city at about noon, suddenly a bright

light from heaven flashed around me. I fell to the ground and heard a voice say, ‘Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting



Me?’ I asked, ‘Who are You, Lord?’ And He said, ‘Jesus of Nazareth, the One you are persecuting.’ Nobody with me heard the voice speaking to me. I asked, ‘What should I do, Lord?’ And the Lord said, ‘Go to Damascus. There you will be told everything that I have called you to do.’”

Paul told the people how he was led into the city because he could not see. Then a devout man named Ananias came to see him. When Ananias spoke, Paul regained his sight. Then Ananias told Paul that God, the Righteous One, had called Paul to be a witness of the gospel to all people. Paul returned to Jerusalem, but the Lord told him to go tell the Gentiles about Jesus.

The crowd became terribly upset at this point and wanted Paul to die. The commander was going to have Paul beaten, but when he heard that Paul was a Roman citizen, the commander was alarmed because no one was supposed to mistreat a Roman citizen. The next day, the commander took Paul to the religious leaders.

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OPEN YOUR BIBLE TO THE BOOK OF ACTS

READ ACTS 22:3-10

- “In the midst of Paul being arrested while some people were trying to kill him, he shared his testimony.”

Take a few minutes and recite today's Text Truth:
We can tell others the story of how Jesus has transformed our lives.

- “The next time you get a chance, share your testimony with someone.”

If you have any prayer requests, please send them to **cameronfamily10@gmail.com**. Remember to LAUGH, have a blessed week, watch, or come to church Sunday morning, call a friend, do well in school, and remember

GOD LOVES YOU AND SO DO WE.

The Tween Teacher

Enjoy this YouTube video from LifeKids called “Paul Shares His Testimony”:

<https://youtu.be/Y7TpoELqwsQ?si=g-V01xdvHS7JjR4A>

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	A	B	C
1	Damascus	Ananias	light
2	law	jail	gospel
3	see	sight	Jesus
4	voice	Lord	Tarsus

BIBLE STORY MISSING WORDS

Use the chart to help locate the missing words to review today's Bible story.

Paul was a Jew born in [] (C4).

Paul studied the [] (A2) under Gamaliel.

Paul persecuted followers of Jesus and put people in [] (B2).

Paul was traveling to [] (A1) to arrest more followers of Jesus.

Suddenly a bright [] (C1) from heaven flashed around Paul.

Paul heard a [] (A4) say, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me?"

Paul asked, "Who are You, [] (B4)?"

The Lord said, [] (C3) of Nazareth, the One you are persecuting."

Paul told how he was led into the city because he could not [] (A3).

In Damascus, a devout man named [] (B1) came to see him.

When Ananias spoke, Paul regained his [] (B3).

Ananias told Paul that God had called Paul to be a witness of the [] (C2) to all people.



WHAT DOESN'T BELONG?

Examine the picture of today's Bible story and **CIRCLE** the five things that do not belong.