

# Journal Page



- What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
- What does this story teach me about myself?
- Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
- Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
- How does this story help me to live on mission better?

## FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS

- When is it hard to trust God?
- When is it easy to trust God?
- Why do we trust God to rescue us?

## Paul's Shipwreck

Acts 27-28

**STORY POINT: PAUL TRUSTED GOD TO RESCUE HIM.**

Paul was a prisoner in Caesarea. He had asked to see Caesar about his case. Paul got on a ship with other prisoners going to Rome. Strong winds and rain tossed the ship. The storm did not stop for many days. All the people on the ship were afraid they would die.

One night, God sent an angel to Paul. The angel told Paul to not be afraid. God would save the lives of everyone on the ship. Paul told everyone on board what God had said. "Take courage," he said.

When the ship got close to an island, they raised the sails and headed toward the island.

When they got close, the ship struck a sandbar and it began to break into pieces. An army officer ordered everyone to swim for shore. Those who could not swim clung to the planks and pieces of the ship. They all made it safely to shore. Paul was right; God saved all of their lives.

Three months later, Paul got onto another ship and sailed to Rome. Paul was allowed to live by himself in a house. A soldier stayed with him to guard him. People came to Paul's house and listened to him speak about Jesus. Some of the people believed and followed Jesus.



*Christ Connection: Paul trusted God to keep His promise to rescue him from the storm. He encouraged the sailors to trust and obey God too. God calls us to trust in His Son, Jesus, who died to rescue us from sin and death, and to tell others this good news.*

## Promises Kept

Find and read each verse in your Bible. Then match the verse with the promise from God.

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| Luke 24:44 ▶     | ◀ God hears us when we pray.                              |
| Psalms 4:3 ▶     | ◀ God will keep the promises in His Word.                 |
| Ezekiel 18:32 ▶  | ◀ The Lord will always be faithful.                       |
| Matthew 13:43 ▶  | ◀ God will save us.                                       |
| 2 Timothy 2:13 ▶ | ◀ People everywhere will know about God's glory.          |
| Habakkuk 2:14 ▶  | ◀ The righteous will shine like the sun in God's kingdom. |

## Acts Timeline

Use the clues and Bible story to number the events in the order they happened.

	1	2	3	4	5	6
_____ An angel told Paul to not be afraid.						
_____ A storm pushed the ship up and down.						
_____ The ship got stuck on a sandbar and broke apart.						
_____ Paul arrived in Rome.						
_____ Paul got on a ship with other prisoners going to Rome.						
_____ The prisoners swam or floated to shore.						

## CLUES:

1. Paul got on the ship first and arrived in Rome last.
2. The storm came before the ship got stuck.
3. An angel spoke to Paul before the ship got stuck and prisoners got to shore.
4. The prisoners got to shore after the ship broke apart.
5. An angel spoke to Paul after the storm came.