

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

- Why is it important to share the gospel with everyone?
- How should we respond when people reject Jesus?
- What kinds of difficulties might you face when sharing the gospel?

Paul's First Journey

Acts 13-14

STORY POINT: PAUL AND BARNABAS TOLD JEWS AND GENTILES ABOUT JESUS.

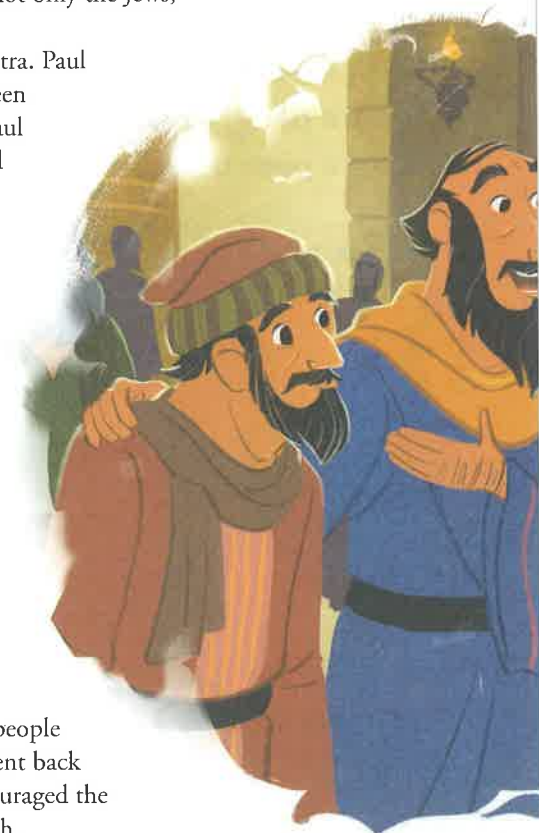
The Holy Spirit chose Paul and another believer, Barnabas, for a special work. So they obeyed and left Antioch. God led Paul and Barnabas to tell the good news about Jesus to not only the Jews, but the Gentiles.

Paul and Barnabas traveled to Lystra. Paul healed a man there who had never been able to walk. The people saw what Paul had done, and they thought Paul and Barnabas were gods! They began to worship them, but Paul and Barnabas shouted, "No! We are not gods! We want to tell you the good news of God."

Then some people showed up from cities where Paul and Barnabas had preached about Jesus. These people caused trouble so that the people in Lystra turned against Paul and Barnabas too. They threw stones at Paul and dragged him out of the city.

The next day, Paul and Barnabas went to the city of Derbe. They told people there about Jesus, and many people believed. Then Paul and Barnabas went back to Lystra and to Iconium. They encouraged the believers there to continue in the faith.

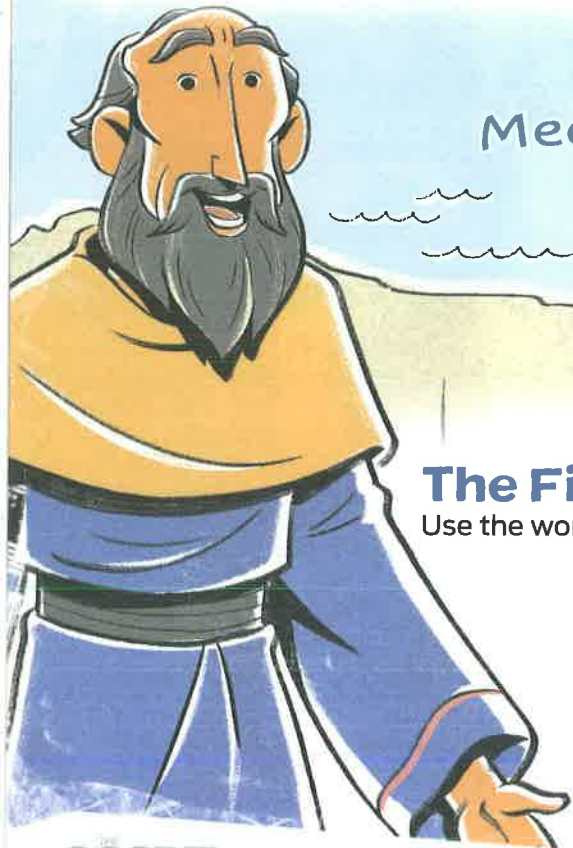
Christ Connection: Many people rejected the good news about Jesus, but God had a plan for Paul to share the gospel with Gentiles, no matter what troubles he faced. Many believed in Jesus. The church grew and the gospel spread so that people all over the world could be saved from their sin by trusting in Jesus.



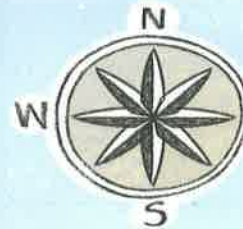
Map Mania

Follow the steps to label the map.

1. Start in Antioch.
2. Draw a path to the island of Cyprus.
3. Draw a path to Lystra.
4. Draw a path toward Tarsus but stop just west of Tarsus.
5. Draw a path back to Lystra.
6. Draw a path to Iconium.
7. Draw a path through the Mediterranean Sea back to Antioch.



Mediterranean Sea



Iconium

Lystra

Tarsus

Antioch

Cyprus

Tyre

Jerusalem

The First Journey Point

Use the words from the word bank to fill in the words missing from today's Bible story point.

The _____ sent _____
and _____ to tell _____
and _____ about _____.

Word bank

Holy Spirit
Paul
Barnabas
Jews
Gentiles
Jesus

Church Search

INSTRUCTIONS: Find the key words from the bank hidden in the grid below.

L	B	G	E	N	T	I	L	E	S	A	O	D	Y	W
S	C	Z	C	Q	S	A	P	G	U	O	R	U	J	U
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M	H	D	X	K	U	X	R	W	W	Q	L	F	K	L
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Word Bank

Antioch

Lystra

Iconium

Derbe

Paul

Barnabas

Jews

Gentiles

BIBLE STORY SUMMARY:

- The Holy Spirit chose Paul and Barnabas to spread the gospel.
- Paul and Barnabas traveled to many places, sharing the gospel everywhere they went.
- Paul and Barnabas told Jews and Gentiles about Jesus.
- Many people believed and the church grew.

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 is it important to share the gospel with everyone?
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FAMILY ACTIVITY:

- Gather lots of coins. Work with your kids to sort the coins by different qualities, such as color, size, or value. Discuss God's love for all people despite differences.



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