

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2022– Tabitha



**Read: Acts 9:36-43**

Tabitha was a very kind lady who liked to use her talent for sewing to bless others. She made clothes and cloaks for her neighbours, and all those who could not afford them themselves. One day Tabitha got sick and died. Everyone in Joppa was sad as they had loved Tabitha. The disciple Peter was staying in a town nearby. Two men from Joppa were sent to get Peter to come and pray for Tabitha. When he got there, Peter was taken into a room, where Tabitha was lying surrounded by people who loved her. They all showed Peter the things she had made for them. Peter could see how kind Tabitha was and how much the community loved and appreciated her. Peter asked everyone to leave the room and he started praying for Tabitha. He told her to get up – and she did! Tabitha had been raised from the dead! Lots of people heard about this miracle and started following Jesus. Tabitha continued to help her community, using the gifts God had given her.

**Watch:** [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VFNeo3Nh\\_Qw](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VFNeo3Nh_Qw) (Brunstad TV)

Where did Tabitha live? What did Tabitha do for her community? What happened to Tabitha? Why did the people call for Peter? What did Peter do? How would you have felt if you had been there?

**Do:** Colouring page – <https://kids.bcc.media/en/tabitha-an-example-in-blessing/#gallery>

Dot to dot - <https://ministry-to-children.com/bible-puzzle-dorcas-dot-to-dot/>

Playdough mat - <http://flamecreativekids.blogspot.com/2016/04/tabitha-dorcas-play-dough-mat.html>

Worksheet - <https://www.jesus-without-language.net/tabitha-dorcas-acts-9-direct/>

**Pray:** Thank you for Tabitha and her willingness to bless others – help us to do the same. Amen.

Father in heaven watch over our loved ones.

Keep them by your side.

May they be safe and peaceful, in you may they abide.

Give wisdom to the doctors and nurses too we pray,  
renew their strength and bless them for the work they do each day.

Send healing and restoration and let them feel your love.

May your Holy Spirit give them rest as gentle as a dove. Amen

(Taken from Praying Together)

**Share** – Think of a gift or talent that God has given you – how can you share this with others just like Tabitha did.