

Sunday 1st May 2022 – Peter and Jesus



Read: John 21:1-19 (John 21:15-19 – Jesus reinstates Peter)

Jesus spent time with his disciples, talking to them and explaining what had happened to him. One day Peter decided to do what he knew best and went fishing, some of the disciples went with him. As they were fishing, they saw someone on the beach – they asked for fish, but the disciples had to say they didn't catch any. Jesus, the person on the beach told them to cast their net to the other side – when they did, they caught an amazing catch of fish. Peter knew at once who it was and jumped into the sea and swam towards the beach, while the others brought in the boats. Jesus cooked them all breakfast and talked some more to them. Then he turned to Peter and asked 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?' Peter replied, 'Yes Lord, you know that I love you.' Jesus asked Peter the same question 2 more times, and each time Peter said yes! Jesus finished speaking to Peter by saying 'follow me.' Peter had been reinstated after denying Jesus three times.

Watch: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ppb9bKX1r7k> (Saddleback Kids)

Where was Peter when he saw Jesus? What did Jesus tell the disciples to do? Why did Jesus make breakfast for them? What did Jesus ask Peter? How many times did Jesus ask Peter? How did Peter respond?

Do: Colouring page – <https://www.biblewise.com/kids/fun/coloring/jesus-his-disciples.php>

Word Shape - https://sermons4kids.com/feed_my_sheep_wordshape.htm

Word Search - https://sermons4kids.com/feed_my_sheep_wordsearch.htm

Word Spiral - https://sermons4kids.com/feed_my_sheep_spiral.htm

Pray: Help us to follow Jesus' example by forgiving those who hurt us. 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 – Can you make someone you love something to eat or drink? Just as Jesus did for his disciples

Sunday 8th 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 (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.

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

Sunday 15th May 2022 – Love one another



Read: John 13:31-35

The followers of Jesus would have been familiar with the 10 Commandments, but Jesus knew they needed a new commandment – a commandment we should be following today and every day.

‘As I have loved you, love one another.’

Jesus loved his disciples very much and wanted them to share his love with others. Jesus loves us as well and wants us to share his love with everyone.

Watch - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EK8RMfhMZEc>

Can you learn John 13:34 as a memory verse?

Do: Colouring page – <https://www.steviedoodles.com/free-coloring-pages/bible-john>

Fill in the blanks - https://sermons4kids.com/a_new_commandment_cloze.htm

Decoder - https://sermons4kids.com/a_new_commandment_decoder.htm

Can you make a list of how the disciples showed God’s love to others? Can you think of some ways we can do the same?

Pray: God help us to love one another as you have loved us. Amen

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Share – Carry out a random act of kindness.

Sunday 22nd May 2022 - Lydia



Read: Acts 16:9-15

In our story today we first hear of Lydia. Lydia owned a successful business selling purple cloth. She was very kind and was a follower of God. Paul was on a missionary journey and had a dream. In his dream he saw a man in Macedonia and knew he had to go there right away to tell the people about the living God. When they arrived, they joined some people praying and told them all about Jesus. Lydia was there and God opened her heart to hear the message. When Paul had finished Lydia, and everyone who lived in her household were baptised Lydia invited Paul to stay with them. This is thought to be the first church formed in Europe.

Watch - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hTooz_6TrQY (Brunstad TV)

Where did Lydia live? What was her job? Where did she pray? How did Paul know to go to Macedonia? What happened when he got there? Why do you think Lydia got baptised?

Do: Make a flip book -

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B3uNEVAAKowpakxCMEEtMDJFbW8/view?resourcekey=0-cXAMtv0DI6NICPV4gxQ3kQ>

Spot the difference -

<https://i.pinimg.com/originals/ea/da/3c/eada3cac89be37b0f56192d1287ba60b.jpg>

Craft - <https://sundayschoolzone.com/activity/paul-taught-lydia-about-jesus-bible-craft/>

Fact file - https://drive.google.com/file/d/1MtczmAfnODsumR2ZfjE3jfa79Y_z0n9-/view

Pray: God thank you for Lydia's faithfulness to you. Amen

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Share – Find as many purple things as you can as a reminder of Lydia.

Sunday 29th May 2022 – Paul and Silas in Prison



Read: Acts 16:16-34 (Focusing on Acts 16:24-34)

Paul and Silas got arrested and put into prison. While most people would have been sad or angry Paul and Silas had a different attitude. The two men spent their time singing and praising God. As they were singing one night a huge earthquake came and shook everything – the prison doors opened and the chains on all the prisoners loosened. Everyone was free to go but they did not go anywhere. When the prison guard realised what had happened, he was incredibly sad and worried, but Paul and Silas shouted to him that all the prisoners were still there. The prison guard was amazed and asked Paul and Silas what he had to do to be saved. Paul explained he had to know and trust Jesus. They spoke to everyone in the man's household. The prison guard cleaned their wounds and gave them a meal. They went back to the prison so the guard would not get into trouble but were eventually released.

Watch - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7ZDLJ41c6oE> (Brunstad TV)

Where were Paul and Silas? What did they do in prison? What caused the earthquake? Why did they not leave? Why did the prison guard want to know more about Jesus?

Do: Colouring Page - <https://sundayschoolzone.com/activity/paul-and-silas-were-rescued-from-jail-coloring-page/view/>

Decoder - <https://sundayschoolzone.com/activity/paul-and-silas-coded-words/view/>

Craft - <https://craftingthewordofgod.com/2018/05/29/in-chains/>

Listen to some praise music – how would you have reacted if you were in prison?

Pray: Praise you always! Amen

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Share – Sing one of your favourite songs loudly and praise God!

