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Paul's Shipwreck by
Crossroads Kids' Club



Lesson #15: PAUL IS ARRESTED, TRIED AND IS SHIPWRECKED (Acts 20:13-22:9, Acts 24-16, Acts 27-28)



The Bible says Paul's 3 trips had taken him to faraway places. But now it was time to go to Jerusalem and talk about God to the people there.

In Jerusalem Paul went to worship at the Temple. Some of the angry Jewish leaders saw him. They drug him outside and beat him. They lied and called Paul a troublemaker. Paul was arrested by Roman soldiers. They were going to whip him. But Paul said, "I am a Roman citizen! You can't do this to me!"



Paul knew that he hadn't done anything wrong. He said, "I want to see King Caesar to get a fair trial!" He was in prison for 2 years. Finally, it was time for Paul to go see King Caesar in Rome. A soldier was chained to Paul. They got on a ship to sail to Rome.

Bad storms made the trip very hard. Winds blew the ship off its course. The sailors were afraid that the ship would fall apart and sink. They threw things off the ship into the sea to make the ship lighter. Everyone was scared!





But there was one person on the ship who had hope - Paul. Paul said, "I have good news. An angel told me that none of us will die. The ship will crash on an island, but we won't die. God will take care of us."

After many days, the ship crashed into rocks on an island called Malta. The ship broke apart. Everyone who could swim jumped into the water. Some held onto wooden pieces of the ship and paddled to shore. There were 276 people on the ship and not one of them drowned! Paul was right! God took care of them!



The people who lived on Malta saw the shipwreck and came to help. It was raining and cold. They made a fire to help the people get warm.

Paul wanted to help, so he picked up sticks. When he reached down to put a stick on the fire, a poisonous snake jumped out and bit him. Paul just shook the snake off and threw it into the fire. Paul was bit by a poisonous snake, but it didn't even hurt him. Everyone was amazed!



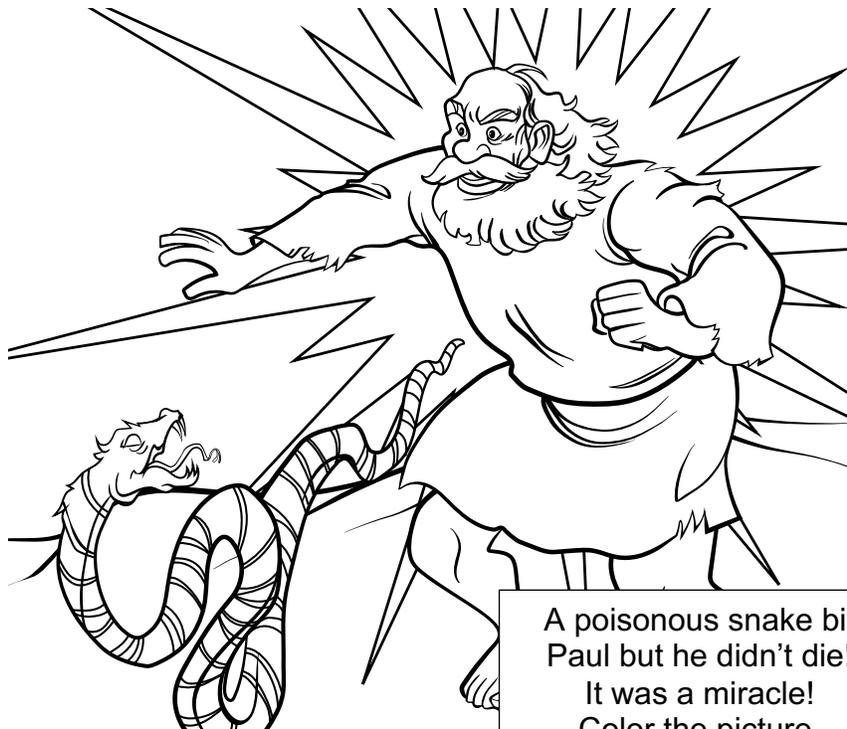
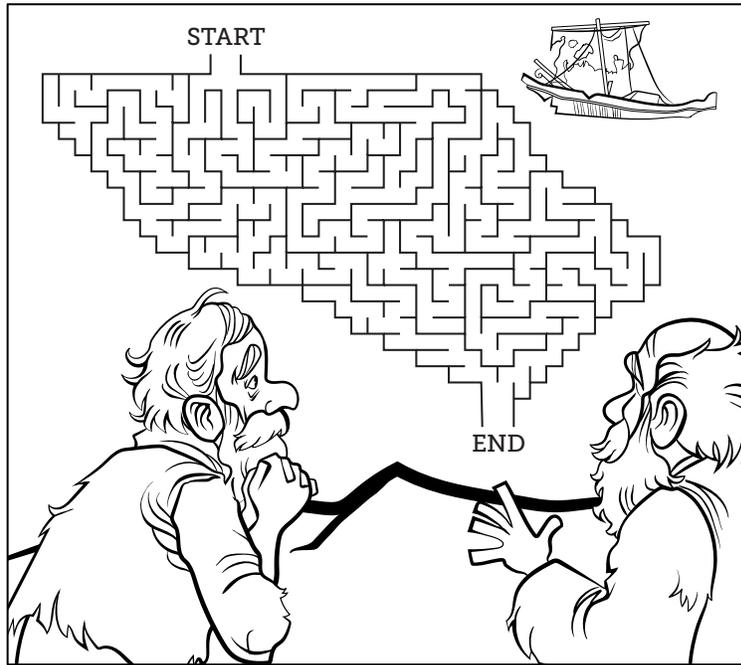
The people on the island of Malta took care of Paul and everyone from the ship for 3 months. During that time Paul did other miracles in the name of Jesus. He healed an official's father from a fever and cured many other people from their illnesses. Through all of this, everyone got to hear about Jesus. Some became Christians.

3 months later Paul and the soldier got another ship and sailed to Rome. He was still a prisoner, but he was able to live in a house in Rome while he waited for his trial with Caesar. People came to the house and Paul taught them about Jesus. Some of them believed. **Like Paul we should always trust in God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit! They have a great plan!**



PRIMARY GRADES ACTIVITY

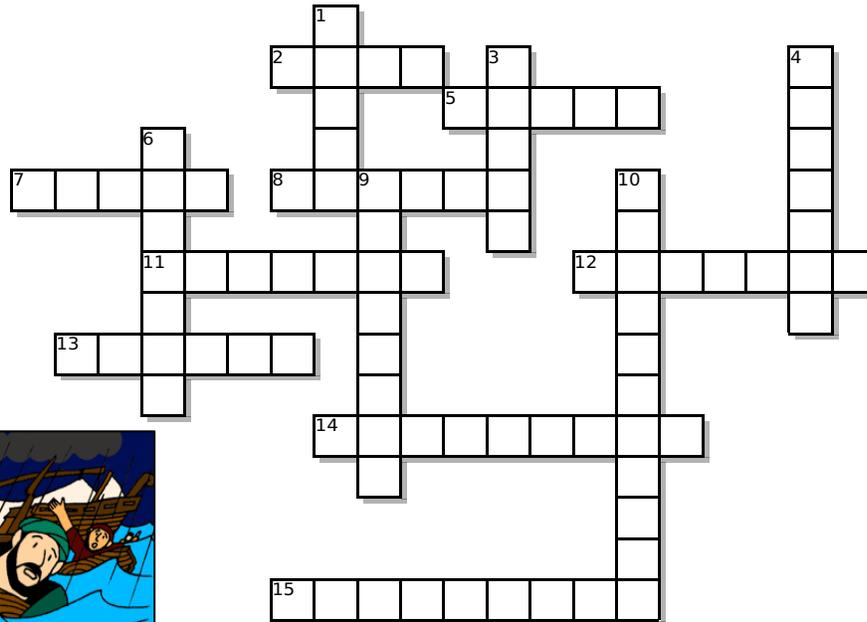
Help Paul and the crew find their way to Malta



UPPER GRADES ACTIVITY

Paul Arrested, Tried and Shipwrecked

Puzzle created on Puzzle-Maker.com



ACROSS

- 2 Paul finally made it to _____.
- 5 On Malta Paul was bitten by a poisonous _____.
- 7 A bad _____ blew the ship off its course.
- 8 Jewish leaders were angry when they saw Paul worshipping at the _____.
- 11 The _____ were afraid and thought the ship would sink.
- 12 Paul said, "I am a Roman _____."
- 13 By law, a Roman citizen could appeal to have a trial in front of _____.
- 14 After Paul's 3rd journey the Holy Spirit told Paul to go back to _____.
- 15 They threw things _____ to make the ship lighter.

DOWN

- 1 Paul was a prisoner, but got to live in a _____ while waiting for trial.
- 3 An _____ told Paul that no one would die.
- 4 On the ship, a soldier was _____ to Paul.
- 6 Through all the bad things, Paul always _____ Jesus to help him.
- 9 Paul did many _____ on the island.
- 10 The ship hit rocks and was _____.

WORD BANK: ANGEL, CAESAR, CHAINED, CITIZEN, HOUSE, JERUSALEM, MIRACLES, OVERBOARD, ROME, SAILORS, SHIPWRECKED, SNAKE, STORM, TEMPLE, TRUSTED