



Weekly Family Worship

Sept. 14, 2014

Theme: Hope

Our Point: We can trust and thank God in any circumstance.

Read — Listen to God: Acts 27-28

Whether good or bad, life's circumstances provide the believer with opportunities for trust and thanksgiving. Here, we see how Paul demonstrated hope and trust in all circumstances. We should follow his example.

Worship — Praise to God.

Do — Walk with God.

Option 1: God promised Paul he would get to Rome to spread the message of Jesus Christ. Despite storms, a shipwreck, a snakebite, and the ship's captain making bad decisions that put everyone in danger, Paul retained an unshakable hope in God's promise. At the beginning of the week, promise your children you'll do something they love at the end of the week, like making cookies or going to get ice cream. On Friday, as you do your chosen activity, explain that you kept your promise, even though there was plenty of time for you to forget or change your mind. Remind your children that God's promises are even more reliable! Option 2: Detours are often used by God to remind us that He is in charge and He has a better plan. Discuss the following questions with your family:

- *Why are detours so hard for us to accept?*
- *What lessons can God teach us through detours?*

Pray — Talk to God.

One of the most comforting promises of Scripture for the believer is the fact that God will provide all our needs according to His will. Identify some of the needs of your family, community, and church. Spend some time in earnest prayer over these needs. We can trust God to provide the things we truly lack, if we only ask.

Pray for the Unreached...

Country: Kenya

People: Dahalo of Kenya

Main Religion: Ethnic Religions

Christ-Followers: Few, less than 2%

Status: Least-Reached

Declare his glory among the nations. Psalm 96:3

Memorize — Meditate on God.

Matthew 28:20b — And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

This week in Sunday School...

Preschool

Today your child learned Paul continued to share about Jesus even while in prison. He was even able to tell the governor and his wife about Jesus. After two years a new governor was in charge and Paul asked to be sent to Rome so the emperor could hear his case. Paul knew God was still with him. **God Is With Us All the Time.**

Elementary

Your student learned how Paul had to demonstrate the fruit of the Spirit of patience as he and the others on the ship to Rome became trapped in a raging storm. God sent an angel to tell Paul no one would die. All 276 made it safely to the island of Malta. Your student learned to have patience in difficult times because God is always with us and can bring good out of those times.

Youth

Youth learned about having hope and trusting in the promises of God's provision and protection even in difficult circumstances. Discuss with your teen how he or she can find strength in these promises.

How Should We Pray for Unreached People Groups?

Pray these same prayers for our City, County, State and Nation.

- **Pray for great outpouring of God's Spirit on the people group bringing conviction of sin!**
- **Pray for clear, biblical dreams and visions and revelations of Jesus drawing people to Him!**
- **Pray for powerful signs and wonders of healing, deliverance and miracles!**
- **Pray for great revival on the Church to cleanse, empower and send them out to the lost!**
- **Pray that God will send more workers into His harvest in obedience to Luke 10:2!**
- **Pray for great people movements to Christ and Church Planting Movements!**
- **Pray that new converts will be biblically disciplined and will grow in Jesus!**

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