

REFERENCES: ACTS 27; 28; THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES, PP. 439-446.

Paul and the Shipwreck

Memory Verse:

“Tell about . . . the wonderful things [God] has done.” PSALM 105:2, ICB.

The Message:

I will tell others about Jesus.

Parents:

By the end of the month you can help your child:

Know that they can share God’s good news with others.

Feel sure that God will be with them.

Respond by comforting others.

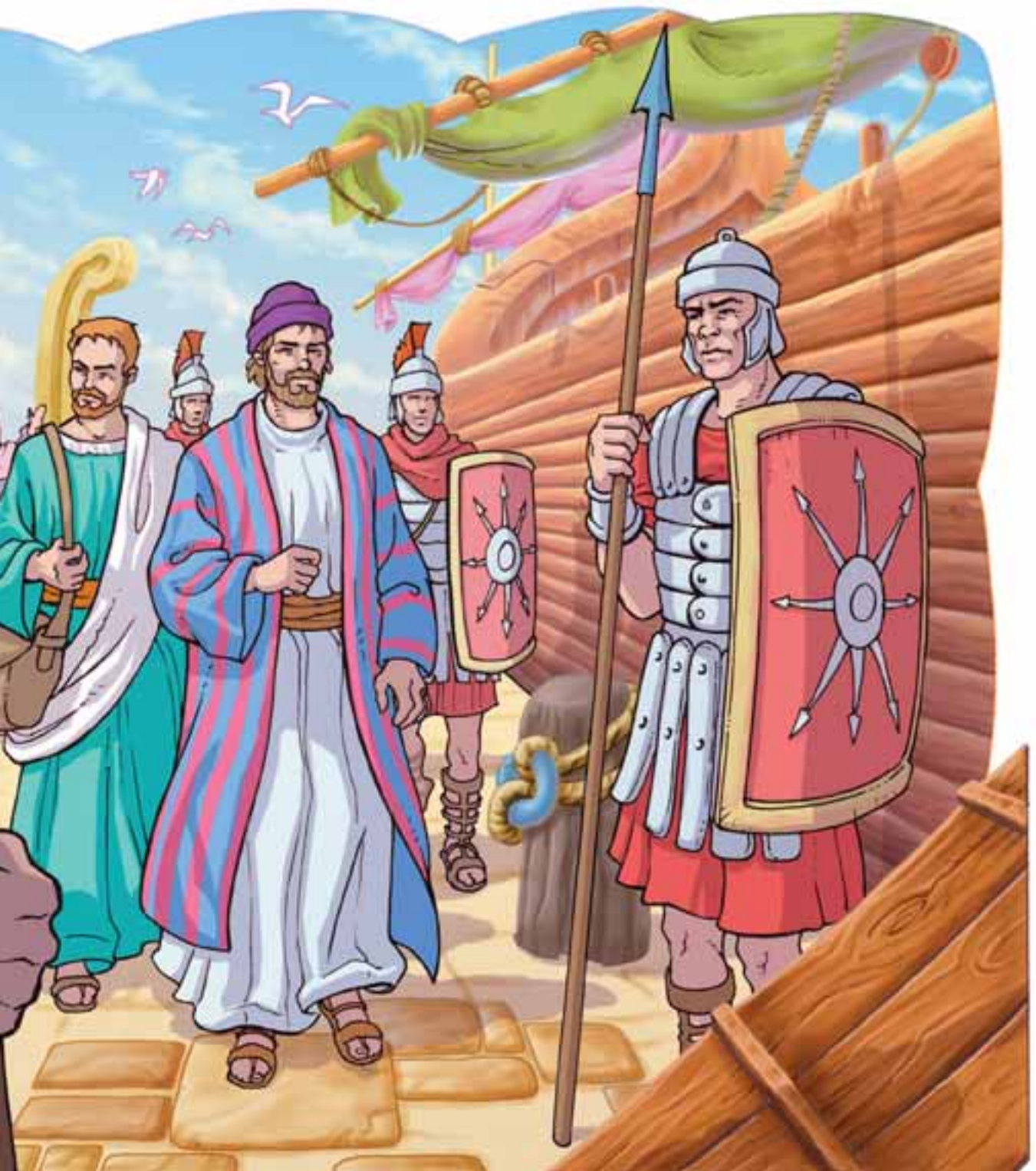


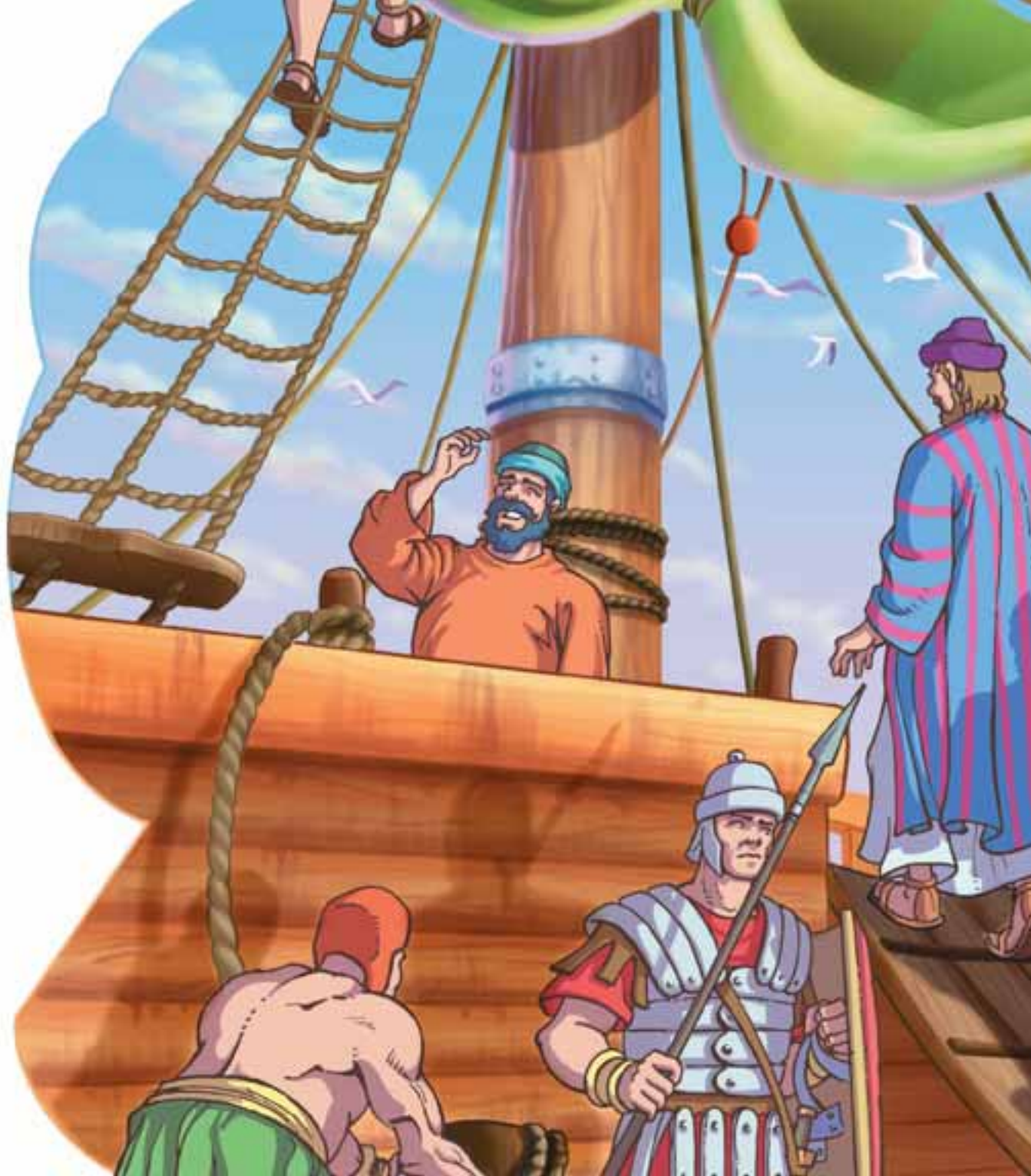
*Nakesha has her raincoat on. The wind blows. Whoooooosh!
The rain pounds. In the Bible story a big storm comes.*

Marching,
marching.
Soldiers march to their
boat. (*March like sol-
diers.*) The soldiers
take Pastor Paul to the
big boat. Doctor Luke
goes too.

Goodbye, Pastor
Paul! Have a safe
trip! (*Child marches
behind you.*)









Rocking, rocking. See the big boat. It floats on the water. *(Point to the boat, then to the sails.)* See the sails.

The soldiers take Pastor Paul onto the boat. Doctor Luke goes on board too.

“This boat goes to Rome!” the captain shouts. “Set the sails. Raise the anchor!”



Don't go!" Pastor Paul warns. "A storm is coming."

But the captain does not listen. (*Cover ears; shake head.*) "No, no! We must go to Rome," he says.

So sailors take up the anchor. Sailors set the sails. (*Point to the sails.*) The boat sails away.









Pitter-patter-patter-pat! Rain is falling hard. Whoosh! Wild winds shake the ship. Big waves break over the boat. People hold on tightly. Everyone gets wet. *(Point to people.)*

Pastor Paul kneels quietly. “Dear God, help us!” he prays. Doctor Luke prays too. *(Point to Pastor Paul and Doctor Luke.)*



Don't worry,"
Pastor Paul
says. *(Point to Paul.)*
"God's angels are here.
(Point to the angels.)
The ship will sink,
but you will be safe."

Pastor Paul eats
some food. *(Pretend
to eat.)* Doctor Luke
eats some food. The
soldiers and sailors
eat too.









Crash-bang! The storm drives the boat onto rocks. The ship breaks apart. *(Point to the ship.)*

Pieces of the ship float on the water. People hold on to floating pieces. *(Point to people in the water, then to Paul and Luke.)*

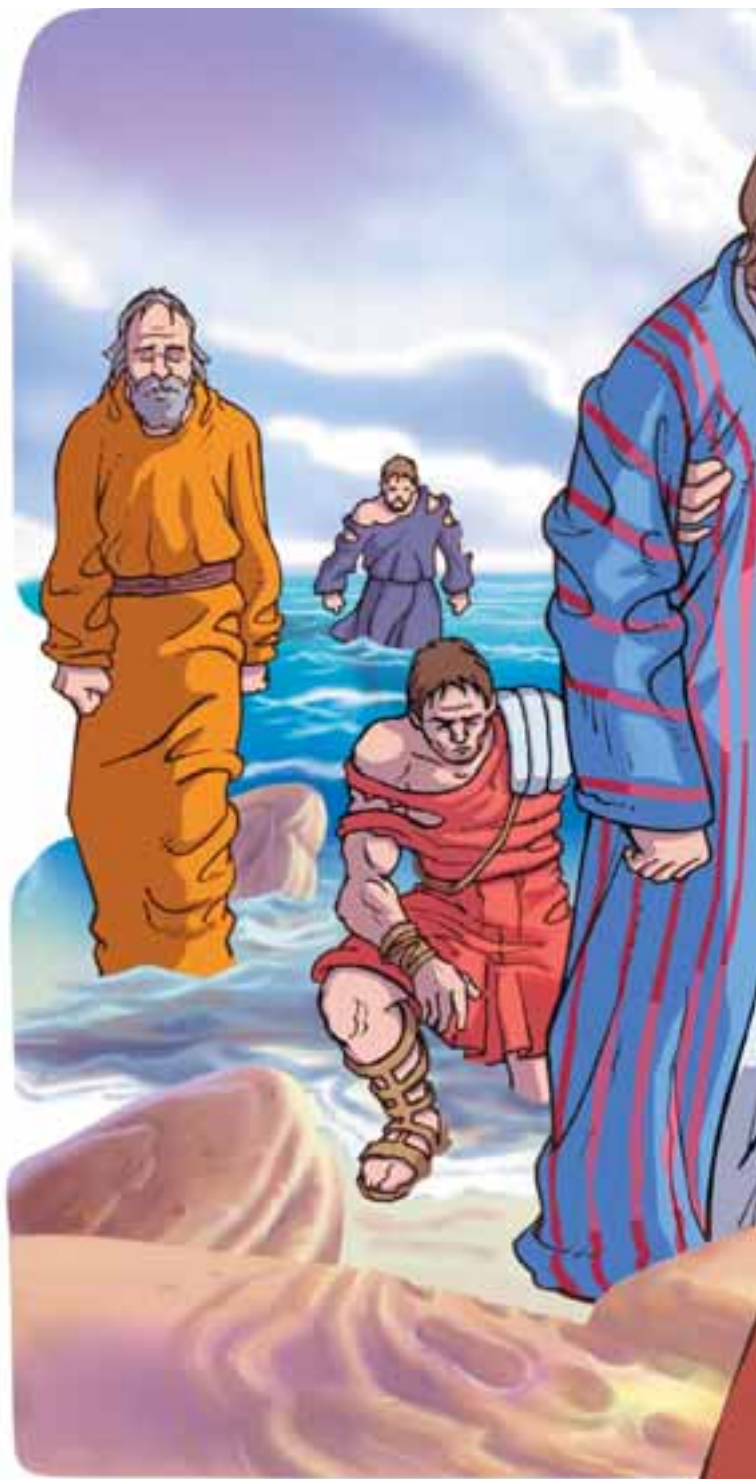
Pastor Paul and Doctor Luke float on the water. They float into safe water.



Pastor Paul comes out of the water. Doctor Luke helps him walk to a huge fire.

(Count people in the picture.) One. Two. Three. Four. Five. Pastor Paul counts all the people. He thanks God for His care.

Pastor Paul tells the soldiers and sailors about Jesus. Can you tell someone about Jesus?





Water some plants together. Talk about the benefits of water and rain.

Make cookies shaped like boats and share them with other children. Tell them the Bible story.

Blow bubbles from dishwashing liquid. Talk about the wind.

Do & Say

Study these suggestions for something to do each day. Select those that are appropriate for your child's developmental stage and repeat them often.

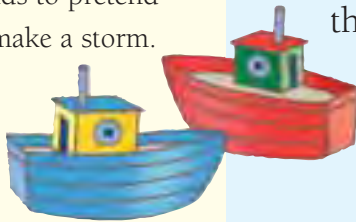


Go for a walk on a rainy day. Wear protective clothing. Talk about God's protection during storms and thank Him for it.

Visit a harbor or marina to look at the boats or look at pictures of boats. Talk about the ship Paul sailed in.

Show your child how to spray water from a bottle to make rain. Sing: "The raindrops fall with a pitter, patter, pit."

Play with boats in the bath. Count them. Swish the water with your hands to pretend to make a storm.



Build a ship with blocks. Talk about Paul's ship. Let your child "break" the boat you built together.

Pick up toys together. Put them in a toy box or basket. Thank Jesus for toys.

Count to seven, then say the days of the week. Clap for Sabbath.

Let your child turn the light switch off and on as if making lightning in a storm.

Put some water in a shallow pan. Add something that floats and let your child blow on it to move it across the water. Talk about stormy winds.

Look at angel pictures. Remind your child that God sent angels to Paul, and God sends angels to watch over us, too.

Role-play the story of Paul's shipwreck for family worship.

Feed the family pet. Thank Jesus for your pets.



Lesson 2

Memory Verse

Tell about . . .



(Put hands to mouth as if to amplify voice.)

the wonderful things



(Arms close to body, then spread them out wide.)

[God]



(Point upward.)

has done.



(Put one fist into the open palm of the other hand.)

Psalm 105:2



(Palms together; then open.)

Captain's Fingerplay

Captain, sir, please
hear my words,



(Stand up and salute.)

A storm is on the way;



(Hold hands high over head and wave as if to imitate branches in the wind.)

To sail today is a mistake;



(Hold up index finger and shake it in a "no" motion while shaking head "no.")

Listen to what I say.



(Point to ears and then mouth.)