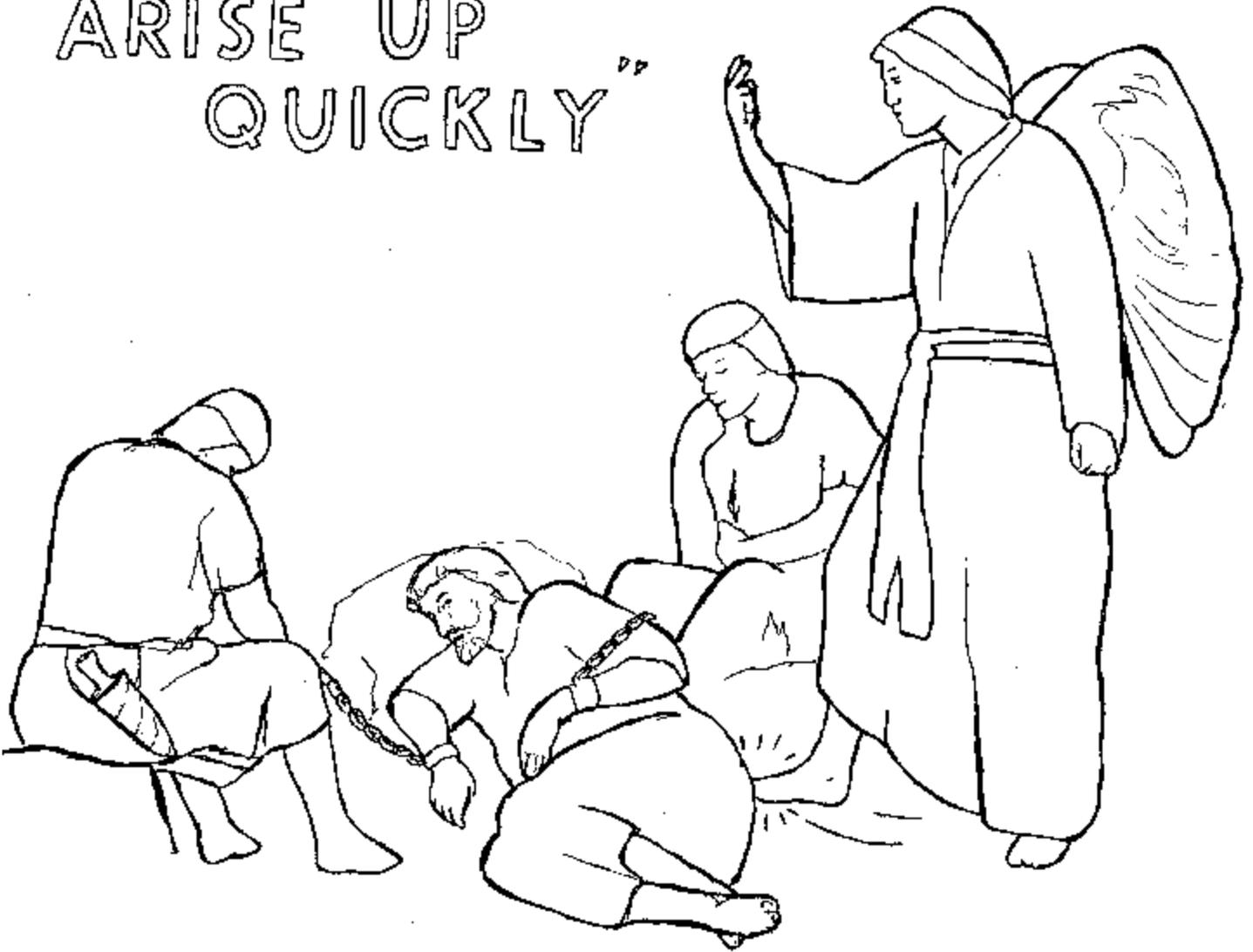


Peter Delivered From Prison

Acts 12

“ARISE UP
QUICKLY”



The Story

Peter loved and served the Lord. A king named Herod didn't believe in Jesus. Many people did not like those who loved Jesus. To make them happy, King Herod put Peter in jail. Peter always had 4 guards around his place in the prison. Friends of Peter prayed to God that Peter would be safe and let go soon.

One night while Peter was sleeping an angel came into his jail cell. A bright light filled the room. The angel touched Peter on the side to wake him up. "Quick, get up!" he said. The chains on Peter's wrists fell off. The angel then told Peter to get dressed and follow him. Peter did, but he thought he was just dreaming. They passed by the guards without them noticing.

Peter followed the angel as the locked gates unlocked and opened

before them. At the end of the street the angel left and Peter realized he was awake! He walked to a friend's house. People were gathered there to pray for him. They were so surprised and happy that he was free.

That morning the soldiers were very confused as to what had happened to Peter. They looked hard, but could not find him.

Some time after this happened, King Herod gave a speech to a group of people in his kingdom. The people told him he was a god. He should have given all praise to God, but he didn't. An angel of God let him get sick and King Herod died.

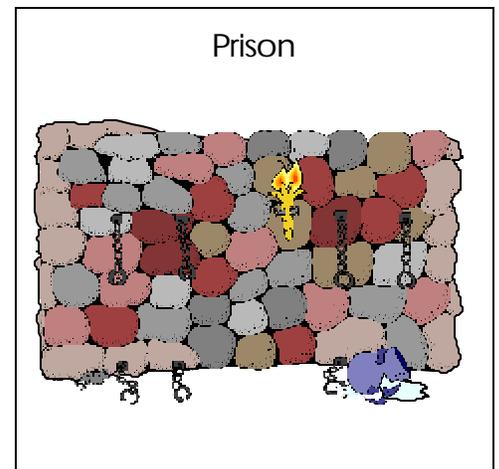
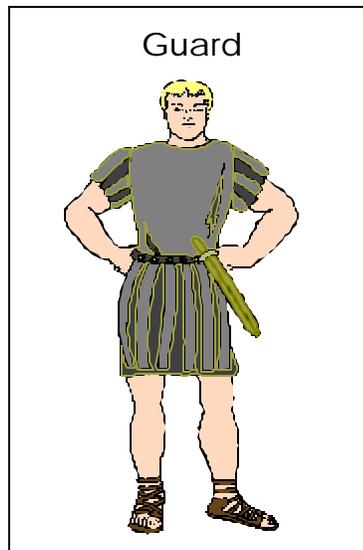
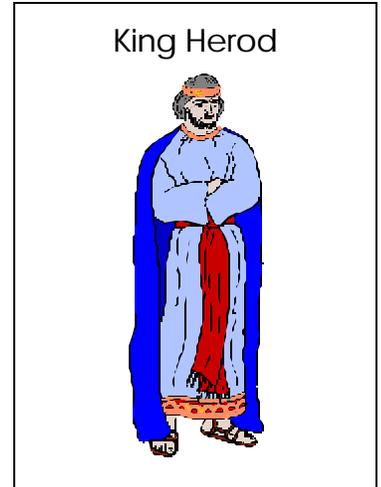
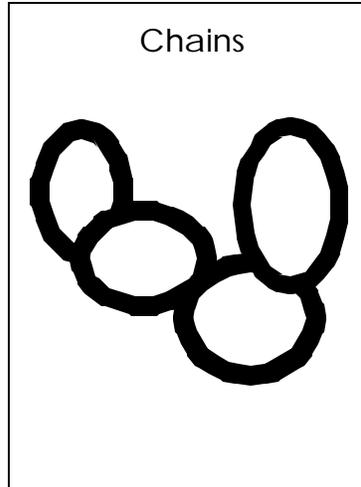
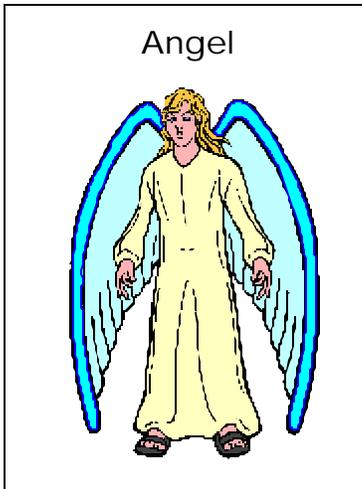
Do you think that Herod stopped the truth about Jesus from spreading?

God delivered Peter from prison.

Activity One - Teacher: read the following statements. Student: circle the letter of the person who *might* have said each sentence. (P)eter (K)ing (A)ngel

1. P K A "I know that Jesus is with me, even in prison."
2. P K A "I want to hurt those believers in Jesus"
3. P K A "Get dressed and follow me!"
4. P K A "I am not dreaming, I really am free!"
5. P K A "How did Peter get past the guards?"
6. P K A "Quick, get up!"

Activity Two - Tell how each of these pictures belongs in the story today.



God delivers His chosen ones from all evil.

Activity Three - Rearrange these letters to make the following sentence.

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___ ___ ___ will keep me safe from evil.

Passages

Psalms 50:15 - Call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify Me.

Matthew 7:7 - Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you.

Hymn - TLH #262 v. 1

A mighty Fortress is our God,
A trusty Shield and Weapon;
He helps us free from ev'ry need
That hath us now o'er-taken.
The old evil Foe
Now means deadly woe;
Deep guile and great might
Are his dread arms in fight;
On earth is not his equal.

Prayer

Dear Heavenly Father,

We have learned today how You saved Peter when he was put in jail for believing in You. Each day, because of sin, we are tempted to not trust that You will help us in all kinds of trouble. Please help us to put all our trust in You and remember that You loved us so much that You sent Jesus to die for our sins so we can look forward to Heaven. Thank You for sending Jesus and Helping us in all our troubles. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.