



At-A-Glance: Ages 8-9
Prophets & Promises Part 1: Acts - Revelation
Unit 3, Lesson 12

Paul Visits Macedonia

Lesson Aim: To know the Holy Spirit
can lead us.

THE WELCOME

MEET & GREET: What is the best thing you remember about your favorite Bible story?

GAME: Paul's Memory

THE WORSHIP THE GOD WHO SAVES US

Read Worship Scripture: Psalm 143:10.

Sing songs and worship God. Bless and collect the offering.

Perform Commander Cosmos script or read storybook.

THE WORD THE HOLY SPIRIT LEADS PAUL

Children sign note cards; place in Golden Bowl. Classroom Covenant.

Review: God led Barnabas to encourage the church and its leaders.

Today, we will see how the Holy Spirit led Paul to Macedonia to tell people there about Jesus. Point to Paul Visits Macedonia. **Silas went with Paul on his second missionary journey. They went to Derbe and Lystra where they met Timothy. Paul invited him to come. They went from town to town telling people about Jesus and delivering instructions from the church leaders in Jerusalem. The church grew stronger.** Point to Macedonia. Reveal Bible Story Scripture Reference: Acts 16:6-10. Find and Highlight Key Verse Acts 16:10 First. Pray. Read.

THE WAY THE HOLY SPIRIT LEADS US

Who were two of the men with Paul on his second journey? (Silas and Timothy.) **What lands did the Holy Spirit stop Paul from entering?** (Asia and Bithynia, Mysia.) **Where was the man in Paul's vision from?** (Macedonia.) **What did he beg Paul to do?** (To come to Macedonia.) **What did Paul do?** (Changed his plans, went to Macedonia.) **Have your plans ever been cancelled or changed? Next time, remember when God changes your plans, He has a better plan in mind. Maybe He is planning for you to talk to someone about Jesus!**

If time allows, play PAUL'S A-MAZE-ING JOURNEY! (Option 1 or Option 2.)

The Holy Spirit led Paul. Have you ever wondered how you can be led by the Holy Spirit? Here are three things Paul did during his life that can help you be ready to follow the leading of the Holy Spirit: pray, remember, and stay.

- 1. PRAY** to keep your heart and mind on God. Why do you think praying is important? When we pray we are more alert to what God is doing. Do you have a special time or place where you pray? What are the things that seem to keep you from praying each day? Encourage discussion and problem solving concerning prayer habits. **If you do not know what to say when you pray, say the prayer Jesus taught us.** Lead children in The Lord's Prayer (Matthew 6:9-13). **You can pray The Lord's Prayer every day.**
- 2. REMEMBER** the stories and the promises from the Bible. They will show you the kinds of things the Holy Spirit might lead you to do such as helping others, forgiving others, telling others about Jesus, and praying. Remember the Bible Memory Verse and let the Holy Spirit lead you to think about whatever is true, noble, right, pure, lovely, admirable, excellent, or praiseworthy.
- 3. STAY** near other believers when you can. Spend some time with friends and family who believe in Jesus. With the Holy Spirit in their hearts, they can remind you of the way He wants you to go. **Do you have any friends or family members that help you remember to do what is right in God's eyes?**

CHRIST CONNECTION:

Paul was willing to go wherever God was leading him. Over 700 years earlier, Isaiah spoke about volunteering to be sent by God. Reveal Isaiah 6:8. Find It First. Highlight. Read.

THE GOLDEN BOWL: Pray for individuals. Pray the Lord's Prayer.

FINAL FIVE MINUTES:

- TREASURE TREAT: Map of Paul's Second Missionary Journey
- DAILY WAY CHALLENGE
- OFFERING OF ART: Paul's vision of the man from Macedonia
- PRAYER REQUESTS
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

GOT TIME?

SNACK: Paul's Travel Snack

GAMES: Paul's A-Maze-ing Journey (Option #1 and #2), The Spirit's Plan

CRAFT: Paul's Letter Keeper

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: The Signs of Philippians 4:8, Up and Down Bible Verse

BIBLE TIMELINE REVIEW