

At-A-Glance: Ages 8-9 Prophets & Promises Part 1: Acts - Revelation Unit 4, Lesson 19

# Paul and King Agrippa

Lesson Aim: To know we can pray for others to know Jesus. (Salvation Message)

## THE WELCOME

MEET & GREET: Who is someone who prays for you?

**GAME:** Pray for the King

## THE WORSHIP THE SPIRIT WHO CONNECTS US

Read Worship Scripture: Romans 10:9-10.

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

Perform Commander Cosmos script or read storybook.

### THE WORD PAUL AND KING AGRIPPA

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

Review: God gave Paul boldness to tell his story to the people of Jerusalem.

Paul was arrested in Jerusalem and transferred to Caesarea. Point to Caesarea. Governor Felix heard Paul's case but made no decision. Paul was in prison for two years until the next governor, Festus, heard his case. Festus asked King Agrippa to help him decide what charges to write against Paul before sending him to Caesar, the emperor of Rome. Point to Paul and King Agrippa (Circa 60 A.D.).

Paul was in chains when he saw Governor Festus and King Agrippa. He told them how God had changed him from an enemy of Jesus into a believer. He explained that after the bright light flashed around him, Jesus spoke to him from heaven and sent Paul to tell others about Him. Paul explains he never disobeyed that vision or the teachings of the Scriptures. Reveal Bible Story Scripture Reference: Acts 26:19-31. Find and Highlight Key Verse First: Acts 26:29. Pray. Read.

#### **THE WAY** PRAY FOR OTHERS TO BELIEVE

How long did Paul wait in jail for a decision on his trial? (2 years.) What did Paul tell King Agrippa? What did Governor Festus say when he interrupted Paul's defense? (He accused Paul of being insane.) What did King Agrippa ask him? ("Do you think you can convince me in such a short time?") What was Paul's answer? (He prayed everyone who heard his words would believe.) Do you think the king decided to

believe? The Bible doesn't say. Did Paul seem to worry about how long it might take for the king or anyone listening to follow Jesus? (No.) Who causes people to believe? (God, the Holy Spirit.) Just like Paul, you can tell others about Jesus and pray for them. You can trust God loves them very much, and He has a plan for their lives.

Which of these reminds you of yourself or someone you know?

- Paul: He loved and obeyed Jesus and told others about Him. He wanted everyone to hear about Jesus and believe in Him.
- Governor Festus: He thought believing in Jesus sounded crazy.
- King Agrippa: He listened but was not ready to believe in Jesus.

You may feel like Paul and want everyone to believe. Some of you may feel more like Festus or Agrippa, or you may know someone who feels that way. No matter which description fits you, God loves you. He wants you to believe in His Son Jesus and follow Him with all your heart. He wants you to have life forever with Him.

Paul told how he came to believe in Jesus because he wanted everyone to hear about and believe in Jesus. Would any of you like to share your story about how you came to believe in Jesus? If time allows, review SALVATION DEMONSTRATION: CROSS YOUR HEART.

#### CHRIST CONNECTION:

Paul could pray with hope and wait on God's timing because he trusted Him. Let's see what was written about waiting on God's timing over 500 years earlier. Reveal Lamentations 3:22-24. Find It First. Highlight. Read. When have you had to wait to see God's answer to a prayer? Remembering God's love, faithfulness, and goodness can help you wait and trust God's timing in answering your prayers.

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

#### **FINAL FIVE MINUTES:**

- TREASURE TREAT: Crown jewel
- CHILDREN'S GUIDE FOR NEW BELIEVERS
- DAILY WAY CHALLENGE
- OFFERING OF ART: Paul in chains speaking to the king and governor
- PRAYER REQUESTS
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

### **GOT TIME?**

**SNACK:** Crown Jewels **GAME:** Prayer Chain

**SALVATION DEMONSTRATION:** Cross Your Heart

**CRAFT:** Paul's Letter Keeper

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: Love Shuffle, Do the Wave

**BIBLE TIMELINE REVIEW**