



God Talk At Home

This Week's Kingdom Quest Lesson:

A Miraculous Escape – Peter

Take Home Point:

In tough times, call on God to rescue you.

Drive Time Home

Tickler Question: What are two different ways God could answer Gordy the puppets prayer request to be “freed” from timeout? *(God could change the situation and let Gordy out of timeout, or God could change Gordy instead of the situation.)*

God Time at Home

Select questions and adapt for your family.

FOR STARTERS: Show various keys. Let kids guess what the keys unlock. Discuss: “God uses different keys to unlock solutions to our problems. What are different ways God has helped you through problems recently?”

READ THE BIBLE: Acts 12:1-18

KEY VERSE: Psalm 46:1, *“God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in times of trouble.”*

TALK ABOUT IT: How many soldiers guarded Peter when he was thrown into prison? *(Acts 12:4. Sixteen.)* Why do you think Herod had so many soldiers guarding this one man? *(He knew Peter was a follower of Jesus. What happened to the soldiers that guarded Jesus’ tomb?)* What did the church do for Peter while he was in prison? *(Acts 12:5. They prayed very hard to God for him.)* Tell how Peter’s escape was so miraculous. *(Acts 12:6-10. Peter had been sleeping between two soldiers. His hands were bound with two chains and guards were watching in front of the door. An angel appeared to Peter and woke him up, told him to hurry and get on his coat and shoes and get ready to go. Peter thought he was seeing a vision as he followed the angel past the first and second guard posts. Then the iron gate opened up by itself as he and the angel went into the city. The angel suddenly left Peter and he came to his senses realizing he was free.)* Where did Peter go as soon as he was free? *(Acts 12:12. He went to the home of some believers who were praying.)* How was Peter greeted at the door? *(Acts 12:13-16. When Peter knocked at the door, the servant was so excited to see Peter, she left him standing outside as she ran in to tell the others that Peter was standing at the door.)* How did the believers respond to this news? *(Acts 12:15-16. They told the servant she was crazy and then thought maybe it was Peter’s angel. When they opened the door, they were shocked to see Peter actually there.)*

Why do you think God unlocked Peter’s prison doors and freed him instead of letting him be put to death like some of the others? *(Peter still had work to do for God. God wanted to demonstrate his power to Peter and the other believers.)* What do you think this did for the faith of the praying believers? For Peter’s faith? How did this miracle demonstrate that God was Peter’s refuge and strength, an ever-present help in times of trouble? How does this Bible event and God’s promise in this key verse help you?

PRAYER POWER: Thank God that he is a God of miracles and that we can call on him to rescue others and us in tough times.

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Family Time Option

One day this week, try...

Call your local jail and find out who does chaplain work there. Call the chaplain and ask how you can pray for him and his work. Perhaps you will find more ministry opportunities.