

FAMILY BIBLE TIME



Jesus sets us free when we believe in him.



Human knot

Everyone in the family stands in a circle. Then each take someone else's hand but not just the person next to you. Tie yourselves in a knot with your hands and then untie yourselves without letting go of hands.



Divide up the boxes on the following page and draw a cartoon of what happens in the story. Then answer the following questions and pray.

What do you think it means to be 'saved'?

What do you think it means to 'believe in the Lord Jesus'?

Is it easy or hard for you to believe in Jesus?



Ask for God's help to believe in Jesus.
Thank him that all we have to do is believe to be saved.
Thank him that Jesus is powerful enough to free us.

The jailer was commanded to guard them carefully... He put Paul and Silas deep inside the prison. He fastened their feet so they couldn't get away.
Acts 16:23-24

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying. They were also singing hymns to God. The other prisoners were listening to them. 26 Suddenly there was a powerful earthquake. It shook the prison from top to bottom. All at once the prison doors flew open. Everybody's chains came loose. Acts 16:25-26

The jailer woke up. He saw that the prison doors were open. He pulled out his sword and was going to kill himself. He thought the prisoners had escaped. Acts 16:27

"Don't harm yourself!" Paul shouted. "We are all here!" The jailer called out for some lights. He rushed in, shaking with fear. He fell down in front of Paul and Silas. Then he brought them out. He asked, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" Acts 16:28-30

They replied, "Believe in the Lord Jesus. Then you and your family will be saved." They spoke the word of the Lord to him. They also spoke to all the others in his house.

Acts 16:31-32

At that hour of the night, the jailer took Paul and Silas and washed their wounds. Right away he and his whole family were baptized. The jailer brought them into his house. He set a meal in front of them. He and his whole family were filled with joy. They had become believers in God.

Acts 16:33-34