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Pre-Video Discussion:

Have you ever been on a boat?

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I Wonder Questions (Post-Video):

I wonder...

Why was Paul on a ship?

*He had been travelling everywhere to tell others about Jesus

What happened to the ship? Was Paul afraid?

*Paul's ship wrecked, but he was not afraid because an angel told him that God would protect him.

Why did Paul want to tell others about Jesus?

*He knew that our hearts are thirsty for God and only Jesus can quench our thirst.

Early Childhood Family Activity Idea:

Build your own boat/raft

Go and find something in your house that you think will float: popsicle sticks and tape, an empty water bottle, an empty soda can, or some straws. Create some sort of boat out of your materials and float them in some water in a container, your sink or tub!

In-Person Activities for Classrooms:

8:20- Parachute storm: Children will place a toy boat on a parachute and shake it together to create a "storm" to help them remember the storm in the lesson and that God is in control.

9:45- Model Magic Boats: Children will make a boat out of model magic, stick a sail in it, and place a memory verse sticker on their sail to remind them that God protects us, just like he protected Paul on the ship.

For Elementary

Topic:

Paul is Shipwrecked

Lesson Overview:

In today's story, we'll meet a man named Paul. God had a special job for him that involved sharing the good news of Jesus all over the entire world. As Paul tells others about Jesus, he faces many challenges including being shipwrecked. Children will learn that God was with Paul during every hard thing that he faced and he is also with us caring for, protecting, and rescuing us.

Key Scripture:

Acts 27

Elementary Essential:

God is good: He cares for, protects, and rescues his people.

Memory Verse:

"If anyone is thirsty, let him come to me and drink." – John 7:37.

Intro Video Link: <https://vimeo.com/446804209>

Bible Story Video Link: [Paul's Ministry-Saddleback Kids](#)

Online Follow-Up Activity: Boat Building

Build a boat out of popsicle sticks and glue or Legos, magnatiles, blocks, or any other art or building materials you have at home.

On-Site Activities:

- Kindergarten-1st graders will decorate a frame with a picture of the memory verse poster.
- 2nd-3rd graders will play Paul's Challenges Charades.
- 4th and 5th graders will have a further discussion about the bible story.

Post-Video Discussion Questions:

- **What was Paul like before he met Jesus?** (*Proud, someone who didn't think they needed a Savior, someone who didn't know Jesus, someone who hurt other people.*)
- **What was Paul like after he met Jesus?** (*Humble, someone who knew that he was a sinner and needed God's grace and help, someone committed to sharing the good news about Jesus and his kingdom with others.*)
- **What job did God give Paul?** (*To travel around the world and tell others about Jesus.*)
- **What were some of the challenges Paul faced?** (*He was beaten, stoned, shipwrecked, etc...*)
- **Who was with Paul during every hard thing that he faced? Who cared for him, protected him and rescued him?** (*God*)
- **Who is with us during every hard thing we face? Who cares for us, protects us, and rescues us?** (*God*)

Extended Study for 4th and 5th graders:

Read 1 Corinthians 11:22-30 and 2 Corinthians 4:8-12 where Paul lists off all the difficulties he faced for following Jesus. If you were Paul how would you feel? Were all of the challenges Paul

faced worth the difficulty? Why or why not? What does Paul boast in? How might Paul's list of hard things and how he describes suffering help you when you face difficulty?