

Here is a simple guide to help your family pray together.



Pray for **FAMILY MEMBERS.**



Pray for your **NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS.**



Pray for **OUR CHURCH.**



Pray for **OUR MISSIONARIES.**



Pray for **PEOPLE WE KNOW WHO DON'T KNOW JESUS.**



Pray for **OUR GOVERNMENT AND LEADERS.**



Pray for **OTHER CHRISTIANS AROUND THE WORLD**—especially those who are treated badly because they are followers of Jesus.

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Church and Family Partnering Together



Today's Big Idea

Paul's Third Journey
Acts 18:1-4, 24-28; 20:17-38



The Main Point

God helped Paul preach with courage even when he was in danger.



What Did We Learn?

- ▶ Paul continued traveling and sharing the Gospel.
- ▶ Paul met people who helped him spread the Word, like Aquila, Priscilla, and Apollos.
- ▶ Paul knew he would face danger in the future.
- ▶ God helped Paul preach with courage, even when he was in danger.

TODAY'S CHRIST CONNECTION

As Paul traveled on his third missionary journey, he used every opportunity to tell people the Good News about Jesus and to help the church. Paul was dedicated to Jesus, who called him to do the work of sharing the Gospel.



LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT WEEK

PREPARING FOR SUNDAY

Open your Bible to Galatians 2:11–21 and read together as a family about when Paul confronted Peter. Or read the children’s version of the passage below.

To help them know what is true, Paul wrote a letter to the believers at the church of Galatia (guh LAY shuh). The Christians there were mostly Gentiles. In his letter, Paul told the believers about Peter’s poor choice.

Peter was a follower of Jesus. He knew that God accepted Gentiles and Jews, and he ate meals with the Gentile believers. But when the Jewish believers were around, Peter did not eat with the Gentiles. He pretended to believe that Gentiles were supposed to follow certain Jewish rules, even though that was not true.

Paul wrote that Peter was wrong to do that. Paul wrote that we are saved through faith in Jesus alone.

Paul met with Peter and said in front of everyone there that God does not accept people because they follow His law or obey certain rules. God accepts both Jews and Gentiles who have faith in Jesus.

The law showed Paul that he needed Jesus to save him from sin. Because of Jesus, Paul and Peter and every other believer can choose to live for God.

“If we could be saved by obeying the law,” said Paul, “Jesus did not need to die.”

Paul and the church leaders prayed together. Then they went with him to the ship to say goodbye.

DISCUSSION STARTERS

- ▶ Why was it wrong for Peter to avoid eating with Gentile believers?
- ▶ Why is it so important to know that faith in Jesus is the only thing that saves us?
- ▶ What happens when we believe we can work for salvation?

FAMILY ACTIVITIES

- ▶ Invite a family that your family does not know well to dinner.
- ▶ Play an obedience game like “Mother, May I?” or “Simon Says” with your family. Discuss why we obey God.

CHRIST CONNECTION

Peter was wrong to separate himself from the Gentiles. The Gospel is for everyone, and we should show love to everyone. Paul reminded Peter that only Jesus can save people from sin. God accepts people who have faith in Jesus, not people who try to earn salvation on their own.

BIBLE READING THROUGH THE WEEK

Take time this week to read the Bible together as a family. Breakfast, dinner, or bedtime—you choose when and where.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Galatians 2:11–13	Galatians 2:14–16	Galatians 2:17–19	Galatians 2:20	Galatians 2:21

As you read, ask these questions:

- ▶ What is God teaching us?
- ▶ What does this show us about who God is?
- ▶ What do we need to ask God’s help for to change?
- ▶ How would you share this with a friend?

UNIT MEMORY VERSE

I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. —Galatians 2:20