

Paul's First Journey

Acts 13:1-3; 14:8-28



Bible Story

Paul and Barnabas faced many people who rejected the good news about Jesus. But God had a plan for Paul to share the gospel with Gentiles, no matter what troubles Paul faced. Many believed in Jesus. The church grew and the gospel was shared so that people all over the world could be saved from their sin by trusting in Jesus as Lord and Saviour.

GAME

You will need a ball, a bucket and place signs.

Place a bucket in the centre of the room, and mark spots around the bucket with the names of different cities in Paul and Barnabas' first journey, such as Antioch, Iconium, Lystra, Pisidia, Pamphylia, Perga, or Attalia. Take it in turns throwing the ball into the bucket from each spot in the room. Each time you score, you must move onto the next "city" and shoot from there. Try to make it all the way back to the first city as quickly as you can.

RESEARCH MISSIONARIES

Talk about how some people are called by God to be a missionary in a different country.

Spend some time looking at those who are missionaries. Either look at those you support in your Church, someone you know personally or look at this website:

www.churchmissionsociety.org/people-in-mission/

Pick one missionary or mission family and pray for them. (CMS has good resources for this.)

Then talk about how we are all called to tell others about Jesus, wherever we are.

QUESTIONS

- Why did Paul and Barnabas go on the journey?
- What did Paul do in Lystra?
- Who did the people of Lystra think Paul and Barnabas were?
- How did Paul and Barnabas react when the people wanted to offer sacrifices to them?
- Why do we tell people about Jesus?
- Is it easy or hard to tell people about Jesus? Why?

PRAYER

God, thank You for Your awesome plans. Help us to live on mission for You. Give us courage to share the gospel anywhere we go. We love You. Amen.

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CRAFT IDEAS

Paper Suitcase

Follow [these instructions](#) of how to make a paper suitcase. Inside the template is items to print out to put in the suitcase and a suitcase cover. But feel free to make your own items or cover.

Talk about what you would take on a mission trip.

