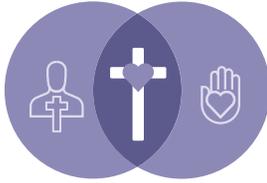


PAUL'S PRISON PROTECTION

LESSON 11

Acts 23:12–24

GOD PROTECTS US FROM OUR ENEMIES.



CONNECTING IDENTITY & CALLING

IDENTITY: WHO AM I?

God uses authorities to protect and keep me safe from harm and danger.

CALLING: WHY AM I HERE?

I can support and encourage those who work to keep me safe.

GROWING IN FAITH FOR LIFE

See how this lesson builds on previous learning for each age.

ADULT

I can consider different ways in the text and in my life that God protects His people from enemies.

YOUTH

I can relate God's protection of Paul in the text to His protection of His people today.

ELEMENTARY

I understand God protects us from our enemies.

EARLY CHILDHOOD

I know God protects me and helps me do His work.

BIBLE VERSE

Deliver me from my enemies, O my God.

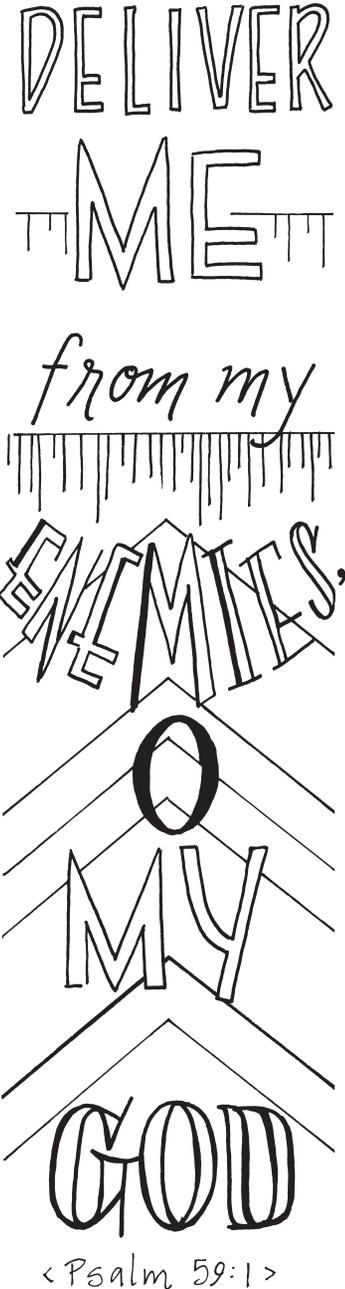
Psalm 59:1

SCRIPTURE SNAPSHOT

When Paul's nephew overhears a plot by the Jews to assassinate Paul, he tells Paul, who tells his prison guards. They take the young man to the Roman tribune, who takes action to protect Paul from the plot. Now guarded by at least 470 soldiers, spearmen, and horsemen, Paul is safely moved to Caesarea to await a hearing before Governor Felix.

TAKING IT HOME

- ▶ *On the Go*—God used soldiers to protect Paul from danger. Talk about how soldiers protect you and keep you safe.
- ▶ *At Mealtime*—Paul faced dangers throughout his ministry. How does God protect missionaries like Paul so that they can serve others?
- ▶ *Something to Do*—Learn more about the work of military chaplains. How do they serve members in every branch of the military? Write and send a thank-you note to a chaplain.
- ▶ *Before Bed*—Pray for those who serve and protect others through their work.



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