

THE STORY OF DORCAS

A dead woman comes back to life



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INSTRUCTIONS FOR EDUCATORS

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This Bible story teaching pack is titled “The story of Dorcas: A dead woman comes back to life”. It summarises the miracle of Peter raising Dorcas from the dead through the power in the name of Jesus. It emphasizes that Jesus has power over death. The story highlights the love, kindness, and good works of Dorcas while she was alive. It also touches on the importance of being a good witness for Jesus Christ through the love we show to others.

The bible references for the story are as follows: Acts 9: 36-42.

We ask that you take the time to prayerfully read the bible references provided and study the materials too. We pray “that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him” (Ephesians 1:17)

We do not take for granted the call and ministry of training kids in a godly way – right from their childhood. Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it (Proverbs 22:6).

We do not underestimate the potentials for kids to understand and store God’s word in their hearts from their early age. And that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus (2 Timothy 3:15).

Ultimately, we do not underestimate the power and will of God to bring these children into an enduring relationship with Him. But Jesus said, “Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of heaven” (Matthew 19:14).

This is our desire, hope and joy – that each child might come to experience love and grace in Jesus as they understand His words.

In this Bible story teaching pack, you have the following:

1. Story book/cards.
You will get a book or a pack of large cards depending on how you print yours. This is the section that contains the retelling of the story of Dorcas. There are words and pictures to hold the attention of the children.
2. Sequencing flashcards.
Use these cards in a group activity to assess children's understanding of the story of Dorcas. Shuffle the cards, then, ask the group to rearrange the flashcards in the correct order. Don't forget to shuffle the cards first!
3. Conversation cards
These cards will provide some questions for you to explore with the kids. Encourage them to explore various acts of love and kindness they can show to others using the questions in these cards. Use these cards in a group activity. You will be amazed at what you find out.
4. Story starter cards
Each of these cards contains a story prompt or beginning sentence and a corresponding picture to help kids retell the story of Dorcas in their own words. Use these cards in a group activity. They will feel confident that they can tell the story and even go on to tell their friends and families. Are you a parent? You will enjoy listening to your child retelling this story.
5. Handwriting sheet
A handwriting sheet is provided to be used for home, class, or church assignment or to be completed immediately after the study. You get to decide. The lessons will be indirectly emphasized as they trace the words provided.
6. Memory verse and prayer cards
Print these memory verse cards and ask the children to recite them a few times after the study. Then, ask them to take them

home, so they can learn to recite the verses during the week. You can quickly ask them to recite the verse before the next study in the following week.

A prayer card is also provided – please use this only as a guide. The end goal is for each child to be able to use their own words while praying to God.

7. Reveal-the-picture game

This game contains some questions or quiz that need to be answered before the children can see the picture underneath the quiz. Print out the picture. Then, print out the quiz sheet and cut out each question along the lines provided. Using a light tape, or an adhesive, paste each question on the picture until the picture is covered. Then, let the children answer the questions randomly and guess what's underneath. The questions are related to the study; thus, you can assess their understanding in this group activity.

8. Crossword puzzle

Print the puzzle to be used as assignment or solved after the study. The answers are included in the puzzle sheet.

9. Maze

Print the maze to be used as assignment or solved after the study.

10. Word search

Print the word search to be used as assignment or solved after the study. The answers are included in the word search sheet.

11. Word scramble

Print the word scramble sheet and get the kids to unscramble the words. A list of words is provided to make this quick, easy, and fun. If you are using with an older kid, you might want to cut out the word-list section and get them to unscramble the words without using the word-list.

12. Acrostic poem card

This poem card gives older children the opportunity to explore various acts of love and kindness they can show to others.

13. Learn and colour

Another card aimed at emphasizing the study as kids interact with the pictures and the words.

14. Reward “stickers”

A set of stickers to say, “thank you” and “well done” to the kids for listening and engaging during the study. Print out the sheet, cut out the stickers and use a glue to apply each “sticker” to a child’s worksheet when needed.

Please note that the instructions are generic to educators, but you know your child/children best; so feel free to adapt the contents as relevant to the different age groups you are in charge of.

We hope you will find these resources useful in your homes, classes, churches, or any other location where you teach children the word of God.

We welcome any feedback you might have about using these resources. Please contact us at contact@godlypearls.com or on our [Facebook page](#).

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Bible References: Acts 9:36-42

- ❖ *Explain and discuss God's power over death through the story of Dorcas from the Bible.*
- ❖ *Explore different acts of kindness we can show to others.*
- ❖ *Discuss lessons from the story and what it means for kids today. Some suggestions are provided in the main story.*
- ❖ *Engage kids in the various activities to reinforce the story and the lessons.*

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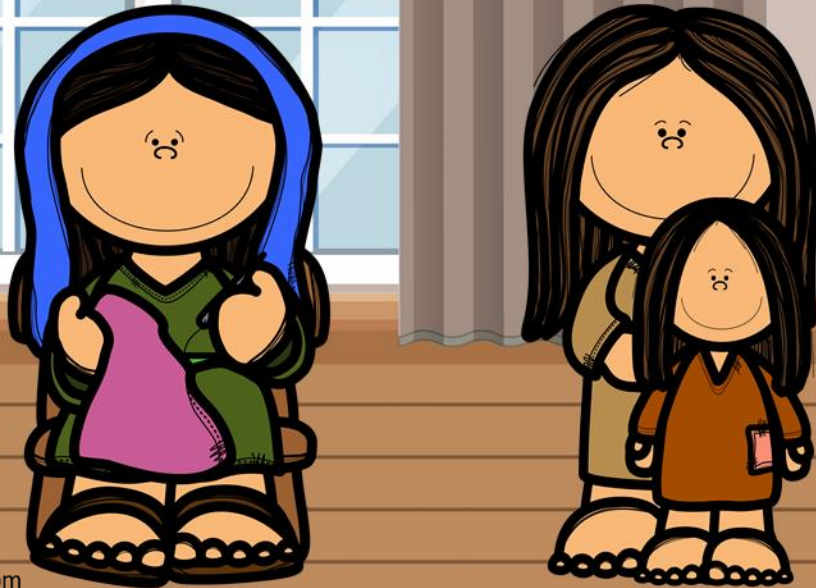
There was a woman named Dorcas, who lived in a city called Joppa. She was also known by the name Tabitha. She was a follower of Jesus. Dorcas loved everyone. She was very good and kind to people.

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Dorcas liked to sew clothes and give them to poor people.

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One day, she became sick and died. Some people cleaned her up and put her in a room.

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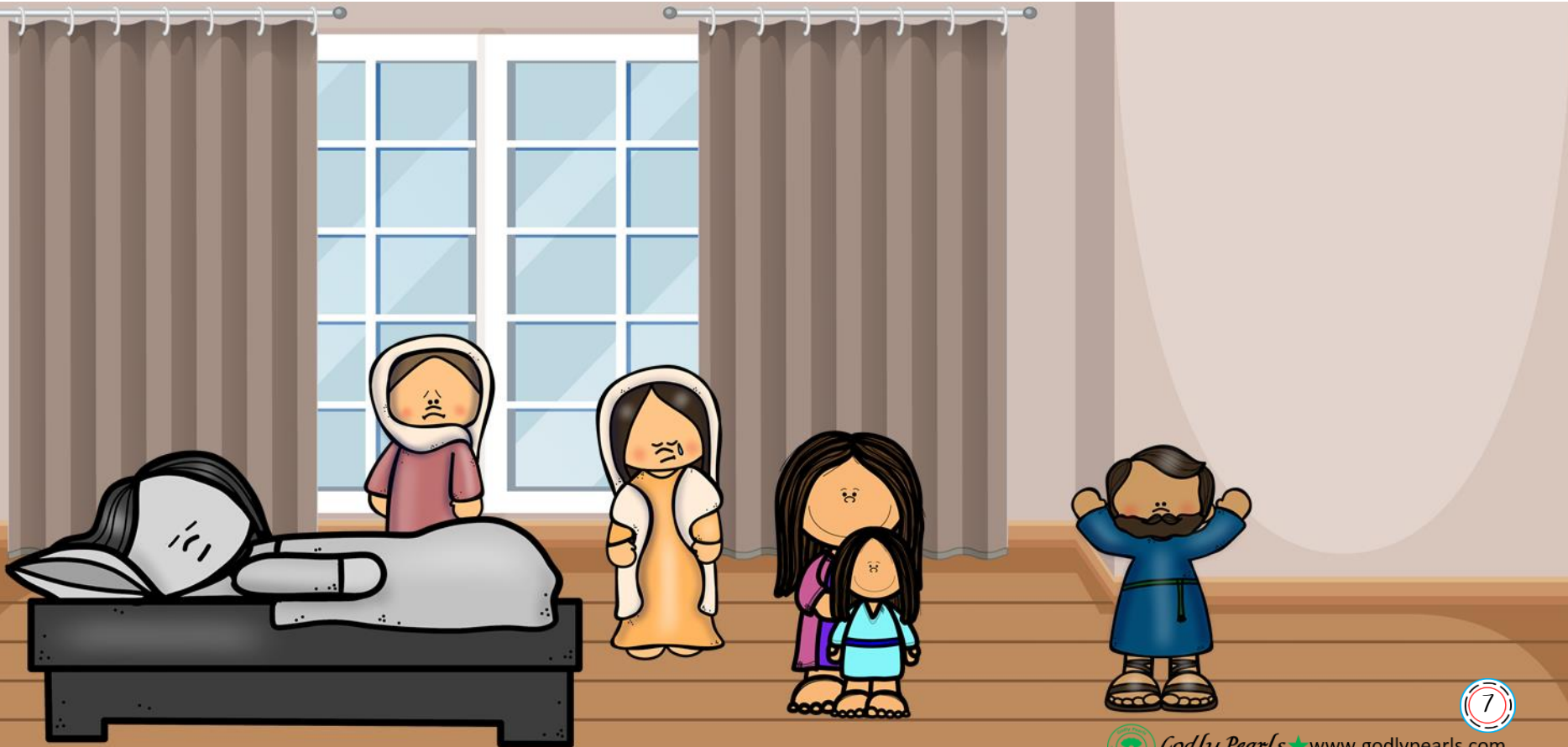
Then, they sent two men to go and call Peter from a city called Lydda. Peter was a disciple of Jesus and he was staying at Lydda at the time. When the men got to Lydda, they told Peter about Dorcas and begged him to follow them back to Joppa. Peter agreed and followed them.

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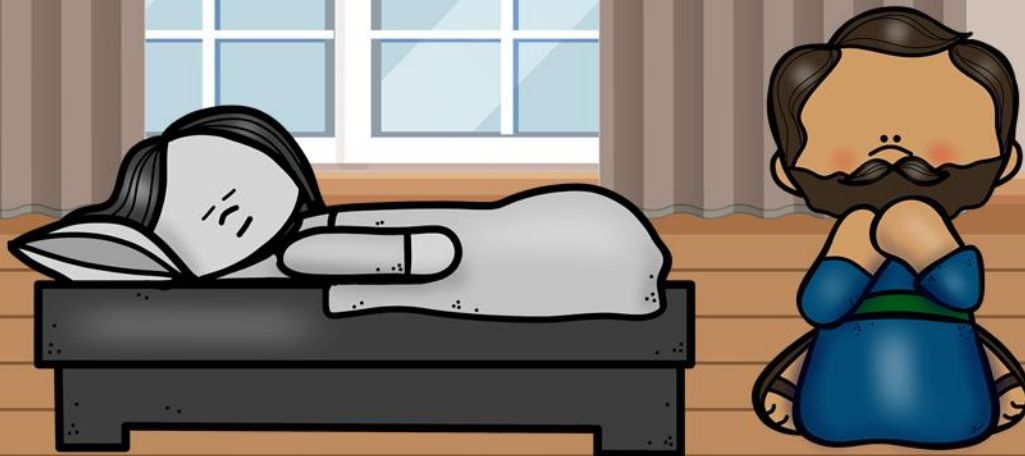
When Peter got to Joppa, some people took him to the room where they put the body of Dorcas. When Peter got into the room, he saw lots of women crying and showing the clothes Dorcas made when she was alive.

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Peter asked them to leave the room, then knelt down and prayed. Peter then said, "Tabitha, get up".

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Dorcas opened her eyes and got up! Peter then called everyone in the house and showed them that Dorcas is alive. They were very happy!

Everyone in the city of Joppa heard about this miracle and many people believed that Jesus is Lord.

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Peter raised
Dorcas from the
dead through the
power in the
name of Jesus



It is good to be
kind and loving to
people.

It is good to help
people who need
help.



When Dorcas was not alive, people said good things about her. She was a good witness of God's love.



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Sequencing Flashcards

Assess kids understanding of the story of Dorcas by asking them to arrange these sequencing flashcards in the correct order.

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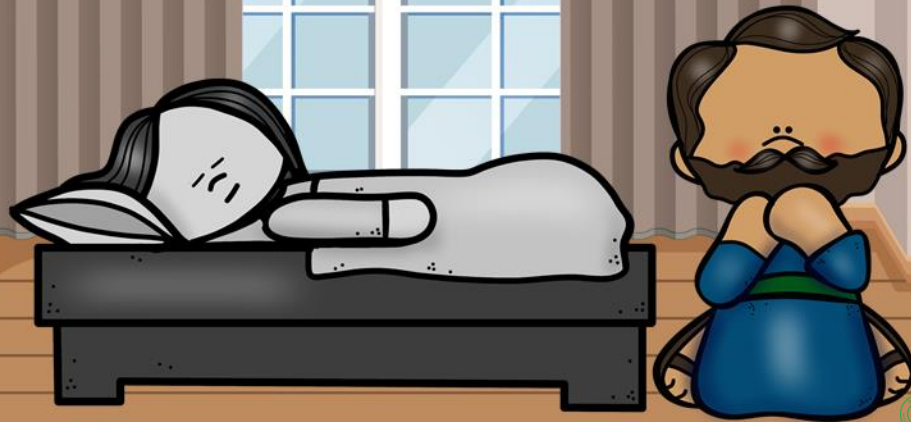
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Reveal the Picture Cards

Encourage kids to answer the questions to find out the picture underneath! The questions will help emphasize the lessons in the study.

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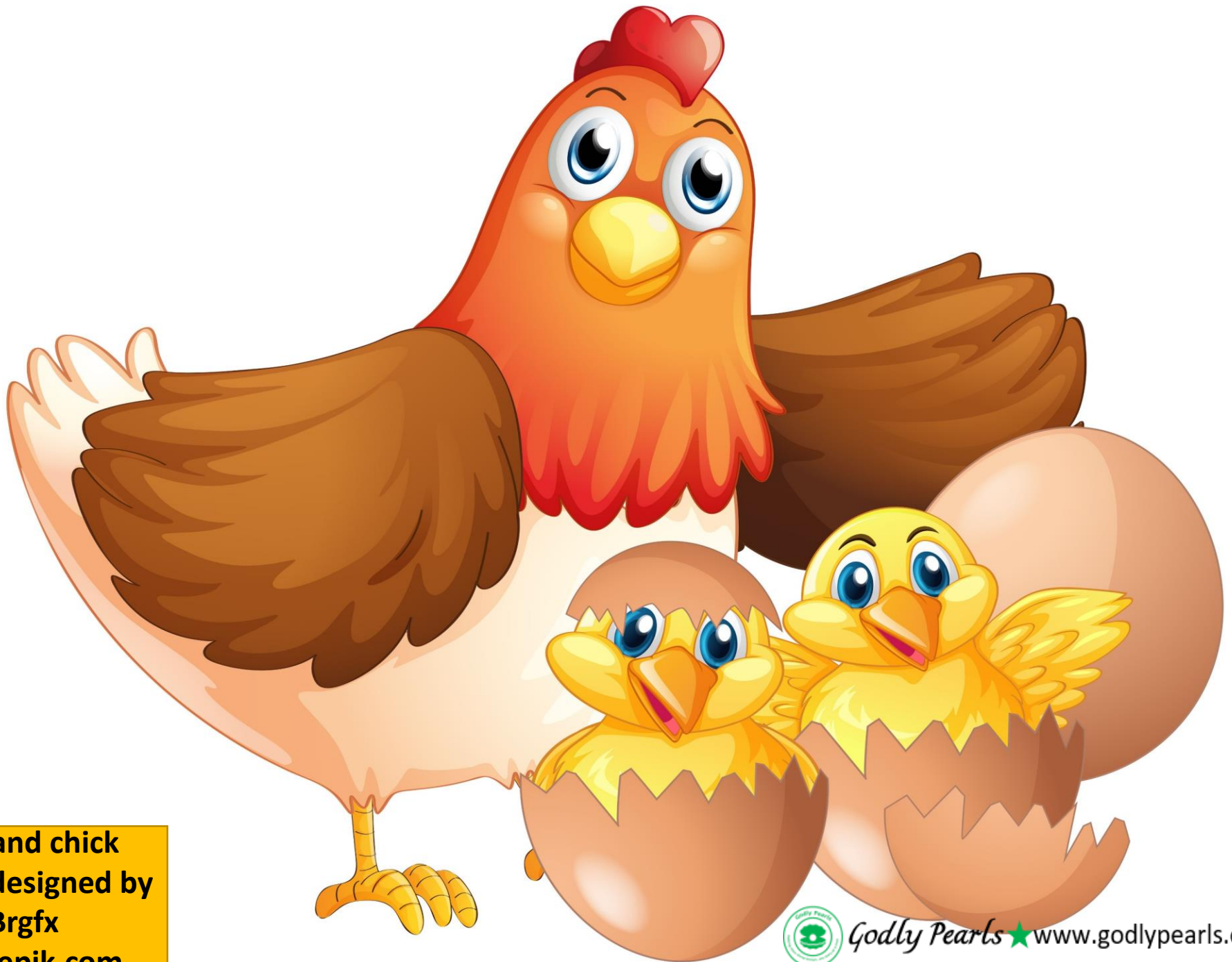
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Does Jesus have the power over death?

What is the other name you can call Dorcas?

What city was Peter staying when Dorcas died?

What did Peter do when he got to the room where Dorcas was?

Did Peter agree to go with the men who came to call him?

Mention two things you know about Dorcas?

Why did many people believe in Jesus in the city of Joppa?

How many men were sent to call Peter?

What is the name of the city where Dorcas lived?

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Story Starter Cards

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Dorcas was a...



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One day, she...



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Then, two men...



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When Peter....



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5

Then Peter...



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Dorcas...



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Conversation Cards

Encourage kids to explore God's power over death and discuss other acts of kindness using the questions in these cards. You will be amazed what you find out!

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How can you show
love to your
neighbours at home?

What other bible characters
died and became alive
again?

In what ways can you
help your parents at
home?

How can you show
kindness to your
friends at school?

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Memorize and Pray

Encourage kids to memorize the Scripture verse and pray using the prayer prompt. Feel free to let them use their own words when praying – the prompt is just a guide.

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I CAN MEMORIZE

I shall not
die, but live,
and declare
the works of
the LORD.

Psalm 118:17



I CAN PRAY

Dear Lord,
I ask that you help
me show love and
kindness to others.
In Jesus name
I pray
Amen.

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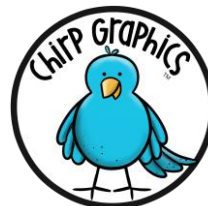
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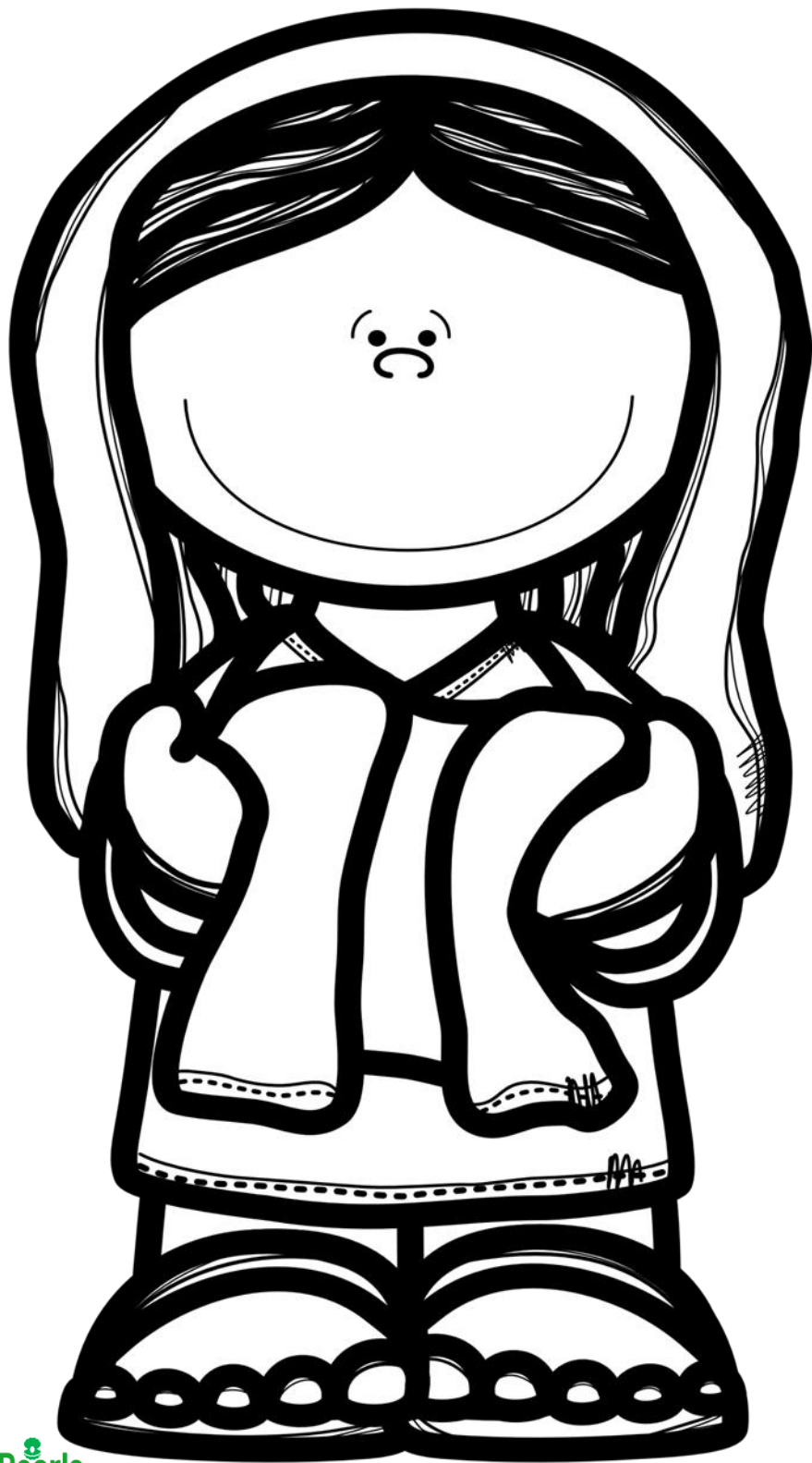
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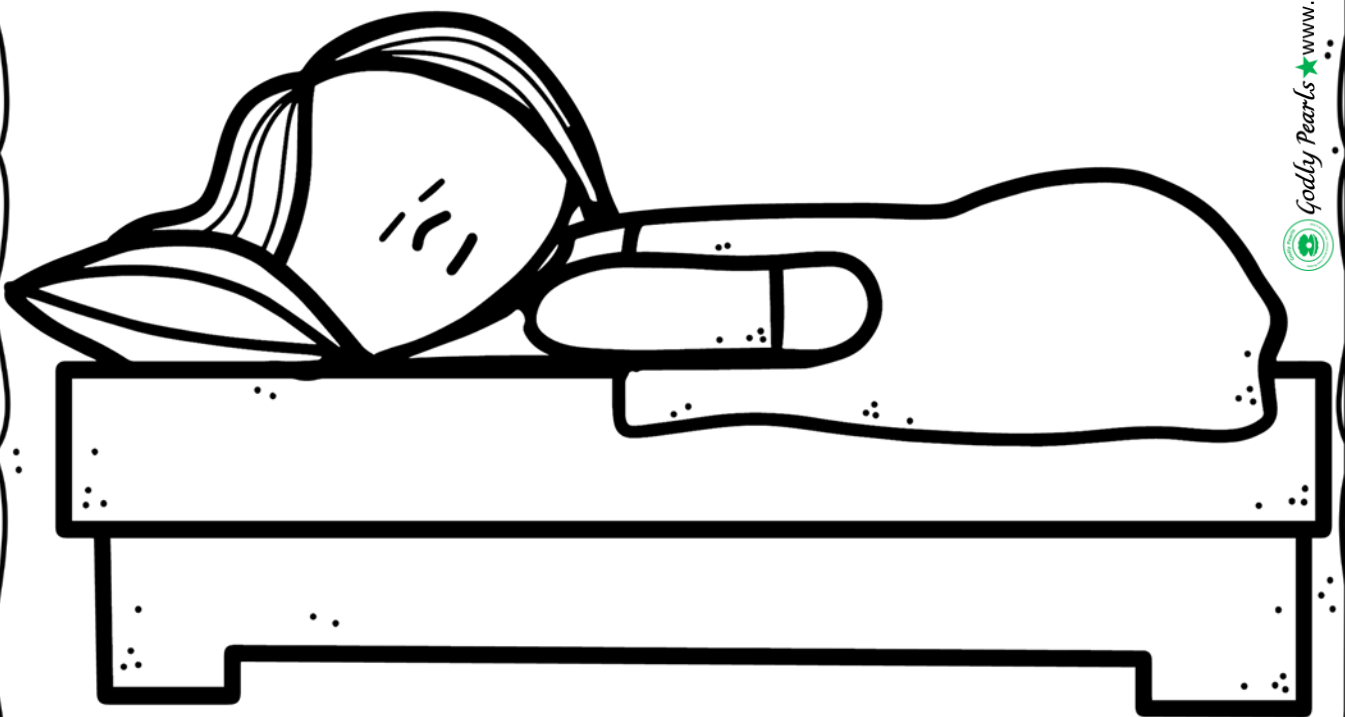
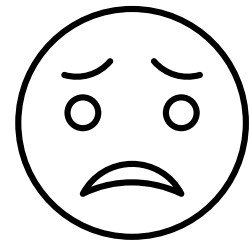


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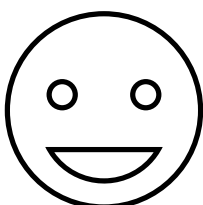
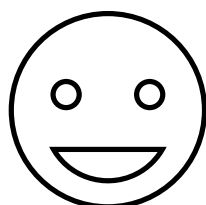
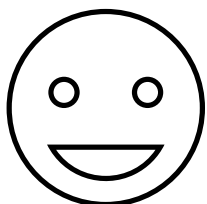


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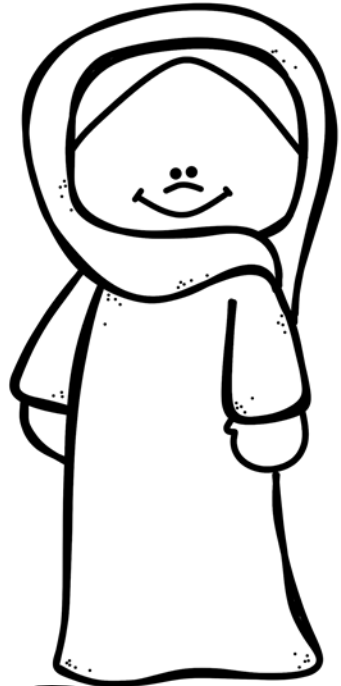
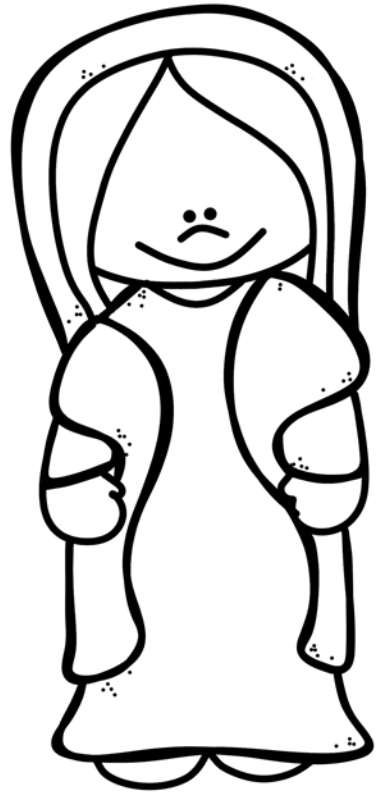
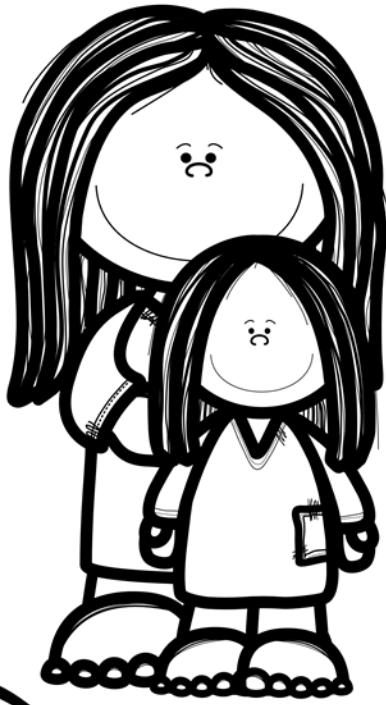
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The people in the house were very happy that Dorcas was alive! Many people believed that Jesus is Lord.



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Read out and trace the sentences below

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I will be kind

and loving.

Jesus has power

over death.

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Word Search

Find and circle the words below

Name:

S C X I Q R I G K Y S Z D W Y
J E T X H N S F P V Z P O L X
R J J Q F U W C P B G F R K H
Q L M G J K Y A F E X G C S B
L C X A A M N C L L N J A A F
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T R O L J D R S R C P N R J A
K E D Z J O P P A V D K V S F
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E M L X A Z E N I X H G N U O

Joppa
Disciple
Widow
Weeping
Garments



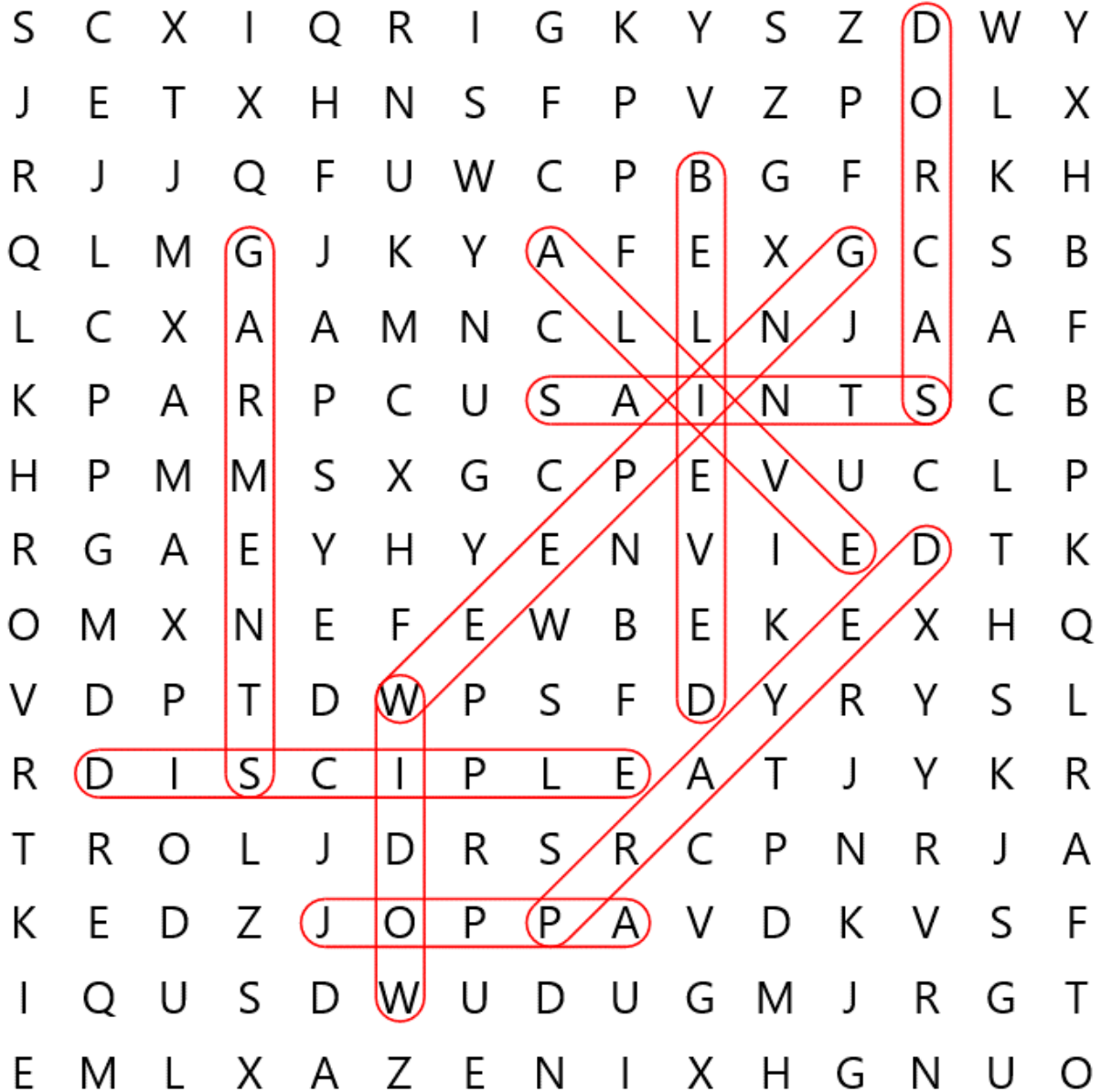
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Saints
Alive
Dorcas
Believed


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Word Search - Answers

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Disciple		Saints
Widow		Alive
Weeping		Dorcas
Garments		Believed

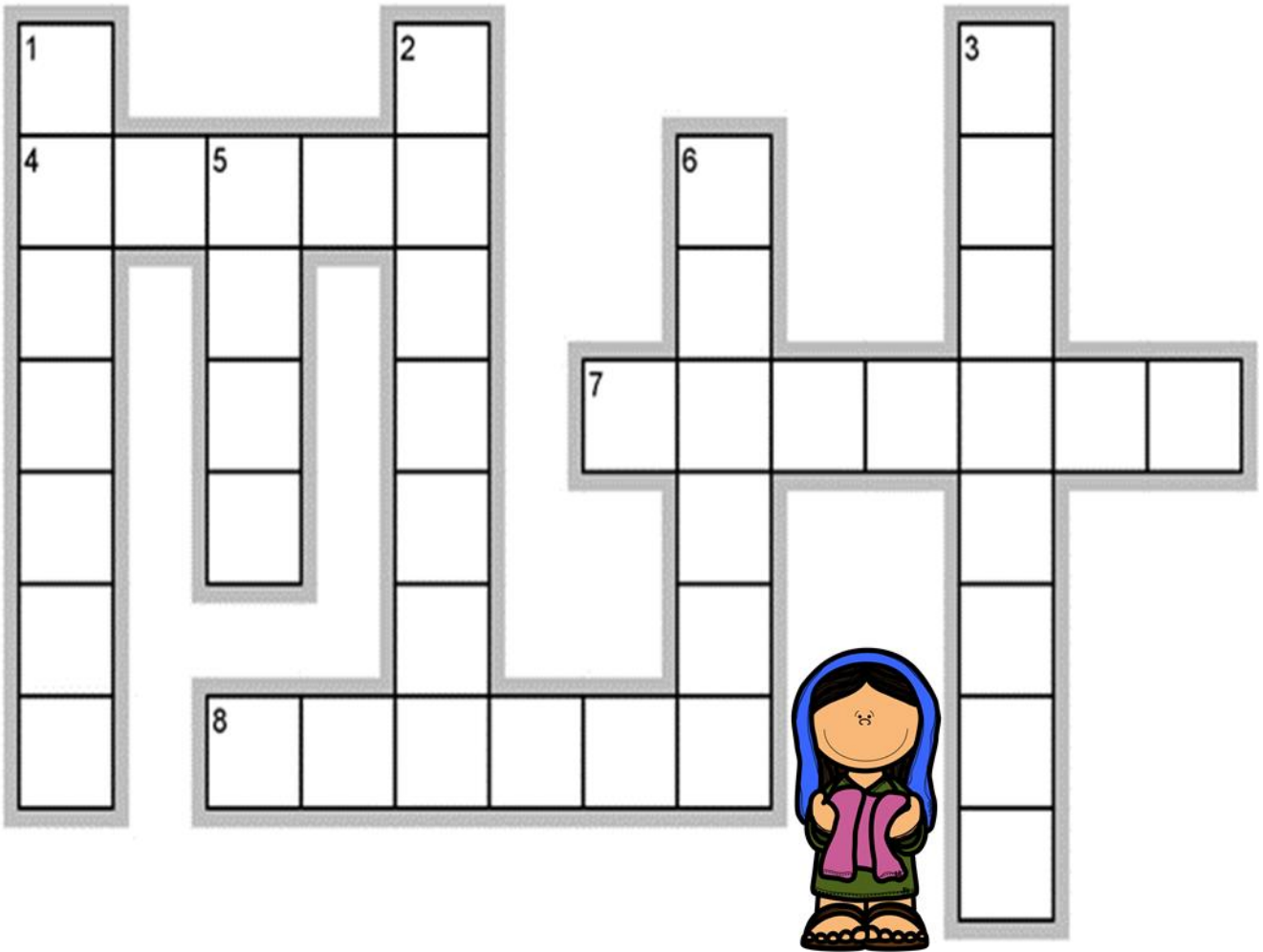
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Crossword Puzzle

Read each clue. Then, write the missing word in the puzzle.

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Across

- 4. Two men were sent toto call Peter (5)
- 7. Peter saw peoplewhen he went to see Dorcas in the room (7)
- 8. Peter knelt down and for Dorcas (6)

Down

- 1. Dorcas madefor the widows before she died (7)
- 2. Dorcas was also known by the name(7)
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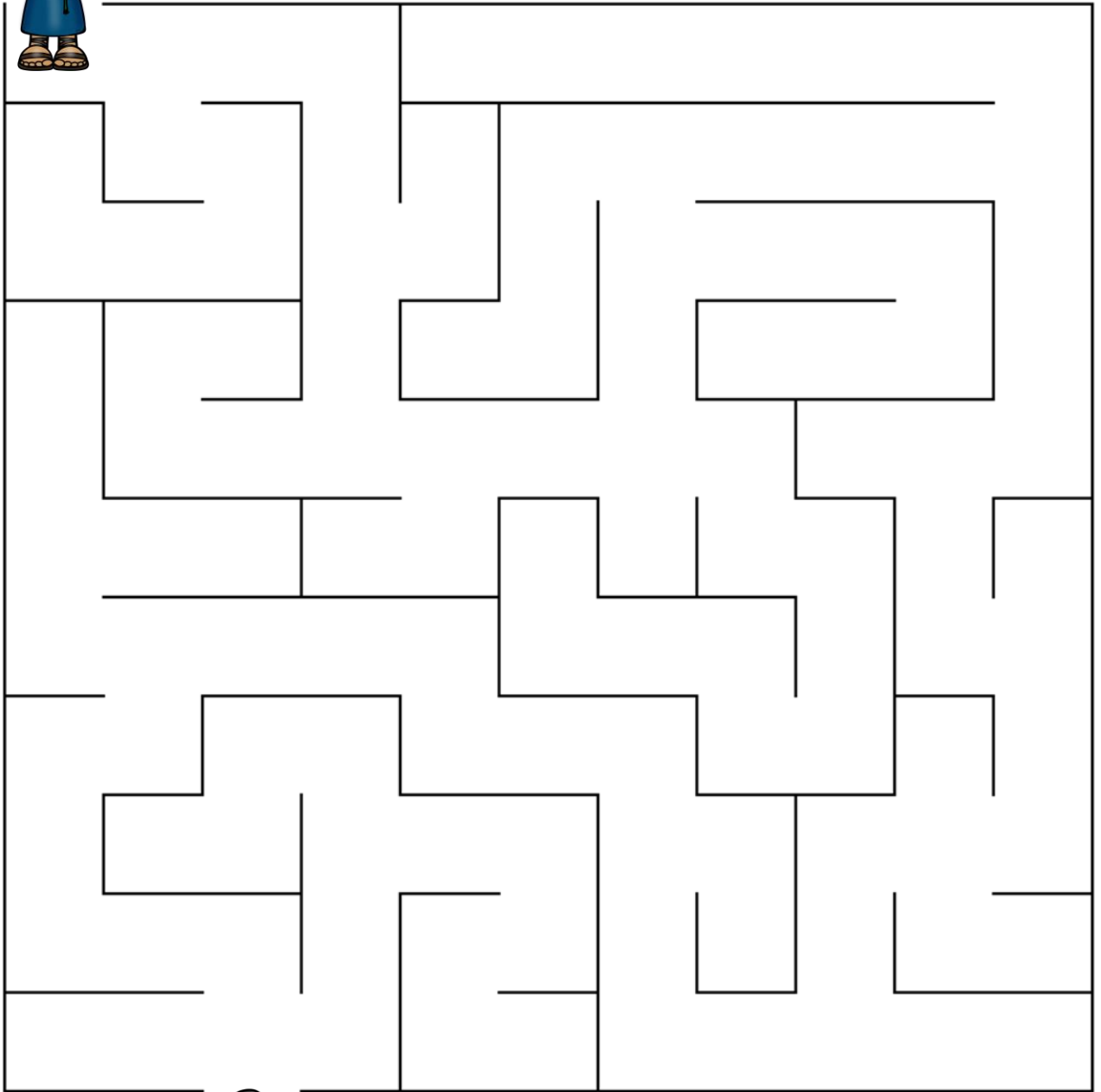
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Puzzle sheet
Hurry! Help Peter get to Dorcas!

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Word Scramble

Instruction: Unscramble the words below using clues from the word list

Name:

ISLDPIEC

OWIDW

NGEWIPE

NASRETMG

EARDPY

EAIVL

EEELIBVD

TTHAIAB

Word list

Tabitha

Prayed

Alive

Widow

Garments

Weeping

Disciple

Believed





I SHOW LOVE WHEN I OBEY MY...



INSTRUCTION: Use the first letter of the word below to write a thought or story about PARENTS.

Name:

P-

A-

R-

E-

N-

T-

S-





