

*There's loads of activities inside – choose which ones you would like to do.*



## Day 5 'The one that got away'



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You can colour these pictures.



## From the Bible

### Peter's Miraculous Escape from Prison

While Peter was in prison, the church prayed very earnestly for him. The night before Peter was to be placed on trial, he was asleep, fastened with two chains between two soldiers. Others stood guard at the prison gate. Suddenly, there was a bright light in the cell, and an angel of the Lord stood before Peter. The angel struck him on the side to awaken him and said, "Quick! Get up!" And the chains fell off his wrists. Then the angel told him, "Get dressed and put on your sandals." And he did. "Now put on your coat and follow me," the angel ordered.

So Peter left the cell, following the angel. But all the time he thought it was a vision. He didn't realize it was actually happening. They passed the first and second guard posts and came to the iron gate leading to the city, and this opened for them all by itself. So they passed through and started walking down the street, and then the angel suddenly left him.

Peter went to the home of Mary, the mother of John Mark, where many were gathered for prayer. He knocked at the door in the gate, and a servant girl named Rhoda came to open it. When she recognized Peter's voice, she was so overjoyed that, instead of opening the door, she ran back inside and told everyone, "Peter is standing at the door!"

"You're out of your mind!" they said. When she insisted, they decided, "It must be his angel."

Meanwhile, Peter continued knocking. When they finally opened the door and saw him, they were amazed.

Acts Chapter 12 verses 5-10 and verses 12-16 New Living Translation (NLT)

*Ask the person who is looking after you today to let you watch this story on the computer. The link is in their email.*

*I wonder why the Christians were so surprised that Peter was free? What surprises you? What things do you find it difficult to believe? Think about the best surprise you've ever had.*



## Craft Activities

*There are videos to help you with these crafts – ask the grown up taking care of you today if you can watch them. The link is in their email.*

**There is a piece of plastic sheet in your pack for you to use to protect surfaces while you are making the crafts.**

### Sliding picture

*You will need:*

- Picture of Peter on white card
- Picture of Peter on plastic
- Plain white card
- Black card
- Sticky tape
- Pencil crayons
- Glue
- White crayon
- Scissors

Fold your black card in half and using the white crayon mark a rectangle and some prison bars in the middle of one half with the fold at the top. Cut between the prison bars inside the rectangle. Fold the plain white card in half. Stick one half inside the folded black card with the black prison bars flap at the top and the white flap at the bottom. Fold both the white and black card in half and cut a notch out of one end.

Colour the picture of Peter on the white card. Match this up with the picture of Peter on the plastic. Stick some tape over the top to hold them together. Slide the picture of Peter into the ‘prison’ card with the plastic picture in front of the white card and coloured picture behind the white card. It looks as if he’s trapped behind bars in a dull prison, but as you pull him out he escapes into bright colour!

### Prayer paper chains

*You will need:*

- Strips of paper
- Pencil crayons
- Sticky tape or glue

If you would like to, you can write some prayers on the strips of paper. Not all countries allow people to follow Jesus like we can in Britain. Maybe you could pray for Christians who are in prison in some other countries today because of what they believe.

Loop the first strip round and stick the ends together to make a circle. Slip the next strip through the circle and then stick the ends together. Keep going so you make a long chain.



## Outdoor Activity Suggestions

**A maze** - Use some fallen leaves, sticks and stones to mark out a maze on the ground. Place a soft toy in the middle of the maze.

*How quickly can you go through the maze, rescue the soft toy and get them safely out of the maze?*

*Can you walk slowly through the maze? At each turn, stop and think for a moment.*

*I wonder what it's like to be stuck? How you feel when you've got out of the maze?*



## Building Block Challenge

Can you build a model of Peter's prison? How many guard posts and gates were there for him to go through?



## Song

### Be bold, be strong

*Ask the person who is looking after you today to let you sing along to this song on the computer. The link is in their email.*



## Prayer

Jesus,

Thank you that we are free to be your followers.

Thank you that you look after us and help us.

Thank you that you surprise us.

Amen.

(Amen just means 'I agree' in the language that Jesus spoke.)

*Don't forget to ask the grown up in charge if you can send us a picture of your crafts. **Just have your crafts in the photo, not you or any other people.** We will post the picture of your creations on the North Yorkshire Dales Methodist Website. You can take a look at what other people have made too. The email address to send in your photos is in the email along with the link to see other people's craft projects.*