



# ONE STORY

HIS STORY CONTINUES

ACTS & 2 TIMOTHY

**Through Our Ministry (Acts 28:16-31) - His Story Continues**

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## **One Story Resources** – Day 316

- Reading Plan
- Devotional Book
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- OWNit365 Podcast

### **God calls us to minister the Gospel in every circumstance**

Now when we came to Rome, the centurion delivered the prisoners to the captain of the guard; but Paul was permitted to dwell by himself with the soldier who guarded him. **Acts 28:16**

And it came to pass after three days that Paul called the leaders of the Jews together. So when they had come together, he said to them: "Men and brethren, though I have done nothing against our people or the customs of our fathers, yet I was delivered as a prisoner from Jerusalem into the hands of the Romans, **Acts 28:17**

who, when they had examined me, wanted to let me go, because there was no cause for putting me to death. **Acts 28:18**

But when the Jews spoke against it, I was compelled to appeal to Caesar, not that I had anything of which to accuse my nation. **Acts 28:19**

For this reason therefore I have called for you, to see you and speak with you, because for the hope of Israel I am bound with this chain." **Acts 28:20**

Then they said to him, "We neither received letters from Judea concerning you, nor have any of the brethren who came reported or spoken any evil of you. **Acts 28:21**

But we desire to hear from you what you think; for concerning this sect, we know that it is spoken against everywhere." **Acts 28:22**

So when they had appointed him a day, many came to him at his lodging, to whom he explained and solemnly testified of the kingdom of God, persuading them concerning Jesus from both the Law of Moses and the Prophets, from morning till evening. **Acts 28:23**

### **God calls us to minister the Gospel to whomever will listen**

And some were persuaded by the things which were spoken, and some disbelieved. **Acts 28:24**

So when they did not agree among themselves, they departed after Paul had said one word: "The Holy Spirit spoke rightly through Isaiah the prophet to our fathers, **Acts 28:25**

saying, 'Go to this people and say: "Hearing you will hear, and shall not understand; And seeing you will see, and not perceive; **Acts 28:26**

For the hearts of this people have grown dull. Their ears are hard of hearing, And their eyes they have closed, Lest they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears, Lest they should understand with their hearts and turn, So that I should heal them." ' **Acts 28:27**

"Therefore let it be known to you that the salvation of God has been sent to the Gentiles, and they will hear it!" **Acts 28:28**

And when he had said these words, the Jews departed and had a great dispute among themselves. **Acts 28:29**

### **God calls us to continue His Gospel Story today**

Then Paul dwelt two whole years in his own rented house, and received all who came to him, **Acts 28:30**

preaching the kingdom of God and teaching the things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ with all confidence, no one forbidding him. **Acts 28:31**

### **This Week's [One Story Bible Readings](#):**

- 316. Matthew 27:45-66 Luke 23:45-56 Hebrews 2:9-18
- 317. Luke 24:1-12 John 20:1-18 Hebrews 9:16-28
- 318. Matthew 28 Luke 24:13-53 John 20:19-31
- 319. John 21 Acts 1:1-4 1 Corinthians 15:1-19
- 320. Acts 1 Luke 21:25-28 Psalm 109
- 321. Acts 2 Joel 2:28-32 1 Corinthians 14:18-25
- 322. Reflection & Prayer

## NURSERY

## GOD MADE ME

GOD CREATED US



This month we will be taking another look at the creation story but focusing on how God made people. He made us each in His image and uniquely special.

**Memory Verse:** God made me. Genesis 1:27-28 (adapted for toddlers)

**Heart of the Lesson:** God Made Me Different and Special

**Parent Connect:** Look in a mirror with your kid. Ask questions like: “What color are your eyes?” “How many ears do you have?” “Where is your forehead?” Lead your kid in saying, “God made me.”

## GKJR

## THE EARLY CHURCH

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This month we will be learning about the people that Jesus sent to start the early church! We'll learn that we have the same mission as them, to share Jesus with everyone!

**Memory Verse:** For you are to be his witness, telling everyone what you have seen and heard. What are you waiting for? Acts 22:15-16a

**Heart of the Lesson:** Tell People About Jesus - Acts 13-14

**Parent Connect:** Create a water sensory tub for your kid to play in. You'll need a shallow container with some water and a few bath toys (boats are ideal). Remind your kids that we learned about Paul and Barnabas and their missionary journeys today. Ask your kid about the different ways they got from one place to the other (walking, riding, boats, etc.)

## ELEMENTARY

## POWER BOOST

ONE STORY - THE HOLY SPIRIT AND THE BOOK OF ACTS



When Jesus left He gave His followers a mission to pass on the mission. However, He also promised to send a Helper - the Holy Spirit. With the power of the Holy Spirit, these early followers changed their world. That same Spirit is alive in us followers. Jesus wants to use us through the power of the Holy Spirit to change our world. What are you waiting for?

**Memory Verse:** “But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be my witnesses, telling people about me everywhere—in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” Acts 1:8

**Heart of the Lesson:** We do ministry to tell others about Jesus - Acts 26:16-31

**Parent Connect:** Check out the different ministries of Grace Church and our local and international partners and pick one to serve with as a family

# TO BE CONTINUED

JESUS HAS APPOINTED THE CHURCH TO CONTINUE HIS MINISTRY!



Jesus has appointed the Church to continue His ministry! In this series, we will be going through the book of Acts and learning how the Holy Spirit gives us the power to do what God is calling us to do!

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**Heart of the Lesson:** Through our Ministries - Acts 28:16-31

**Parent Connect:** Talk as a family: What opportunities can you partake in ministry? Why does God use ministry to bring people closer to Him?

SPECIAL NEEDS ADULTS

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Be a part of and grow the Church!

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Jesus may have left Earth, but His work here is not finished!

**Memory Verse:** [Tell](#) the [nations](#) about his glory. [Tell](#) all [people](#) about the wonderful [things](#) he has [done](#).

**Heart of the Lesson:** Jesus continues His work on Earth through our ministry. (Acts 28)

**Parent Connect:**

- Where was Paul doing ministry in today's story?
- Who transforms others: Us or God?
- What is our ministry?
- Who in your life needs to hear about Jesus' love?