



God is always in control!

BIBLE STORY:

Acts 12:1-17, Peter's Escape from Prison

<https://youtu.be/Rr7Udj8lEUU>

Theater: <https://youtu.be/zzM9aFqkw6s>

God Will Make a Way Song:

<https://youtu.be/OtSHgVzt0AI>

Every Move I make Dance Along:

<https://youtu.be/MPvnZILn6EY>

MEMORY VERSE/ACTIVITY

*"His signs are great. His wonders are mighty. His kingdom will last forever. His rule will never end."
Daniel 4:3 (NIRV)*

SUMMARY:

The great illusionists can escape from seemingly inescapable bonds. When Peter escaped from prison, it was no illusion. It was God displaying that He is powerful, and He is always in control.

QUESTIONS?

What happened to the apostle James?

What do you think Herod was going to do with Peter?

What happened the night before Peter's trial?

Can God help us out of tight situations like Peter's?

What should we do when we need help from God?

PRAY IT!

*Dear God,
Show us the way out
when we can't see it
ourselves.*

In Jesus' name, Amen

LESSON (Peter, The Escape Artist, Judges 12:1-17)

INTRO: Have any of you noticed that a good number of circus acts are all about putting people in danger? Back in week one we talked about the lion tamers, who risk their lives by stepping into a cage filled with dangerous lions and tigers.

In week three we talked about the high wire artists and the trapeze artists who work high in the air with no net to catch them.

We talked about fire eaters, about people jumping through flaming hoops, and even strong men who could catch cannonballs with their stomach.

Today we're going to talk about another circus performer- the escape artist. They are men who seemingly escape from the most impossible of situations.

In moments like these we can remember the story of a man who was trapped in a hopeless situation in the Bible. He was in jail, facing certain death, when God did something amazing.

MAIN POINT: (READ ACTS 12:1-17)

Peter had to believe he was going to die.

Peter had long accepted that one day he would die for Jesus, and he was willing to lay down his life for the gospel.

Peter's miraculous escape reminds us that God is all-powerful, and no matter how bad things may be, God is still in control. Where we see no way out, God can make a way!