The Contented Prisoner

LESSON 8
Your Response to the Lesson

What was most interesting in the Bible story?
What activity was most enjoyable?
What new things did you learn?
Activity A

Poor Paul

- Share a smile.
- How difficult it would be to serve others if you were facing serious difficulties yourself?
Activity B

Disadvantaged

• Write the power text using the hand you don’t use for writing. What did you experience?
• What is your response when you face challenges as a Christian?
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(Philippians 4:11-13).
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PRAYER AND PRAISE

How Was Your Week?

Good things?
Challenges?
Special events?
Songs

“Shepherd of My Soul” (*He Is Our Song*, no. 99)
“We Are His” (*He Is Our Song*, no. 140)
“Pass It On” (*He Is Our Song*, no. 130)
Angels Are Real!

Papua New Guinea

South Pacific Division

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PROJECTS:
1. Hope Channel Studio, Auckland, New Zealand
2. Family Wellness Center of Influence, Suva, Fiji
3. Children's Discipleship Centers in Papua New Guinea, Trans-Pacific Union, New Caledonia

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PRAYER AND PRAISE

Prayer Time

• Add prayer requests to the prayer chain.
• Pray, asking God to help you forgive someone who has wronged you.
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INTRODUCTION TO THE STORY

The Net Kids

• Would you be willing to put your life in danger to save someone else?
INTRODUCTION TO THE STORY

The Story

You may listen to a podcast recording of the story:
www.juniorpowerpoints.org
POWERPOINT

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EXPERIENCE THE STORY

Paul Serves Others

• Identify ways Paul served others during his time in Rome.
• What is the only way you could accomplish this type of service?
Identify examples of service in these passages:

- Matthew 16:25
- Matthew 23:11, 12
- Matthew 20:27
- Philippians 2:2-5

What can we learn from these passages?
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Service Report

- Share your experiences in doing simple acts of kindness
- How did someone else benefit? How did you benefit?
- What did you learn from your experiences?
POWERPOINT

We can choose to serve God in the most difficult circumstances.
• Why is serving others not desirable for most people?
• Who is greater—the servant or the person being served?
• Why did Jesus come as a servant?
• How will serving others in any circumstances affect our lives and the lives of those we serve?
Coming Up Next Week

“Burning Your Skis”

The Great Commission

Study your Sabbath School lesson each day

Complete the daily activities

Memorize the Power Text
Closing Prayer

Dear Jesus,
There are so many people who do not know You. Please give us a burden for souls that we may show them Your love. Thank you for hearing and answering our prayer. Amen.