

Weekly pack 60 24/05/21

Dorcas is healed

Story and activities to do at home while we are unable to meet.

Don't worry if you don't do everything in here.

Just do what you fancy and have fun!



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Story



New Living Translation

There was a believer in Joppa named Tabitha (which in Greek is Dorcas). She was always doing kind things for others and helping the poor. About this time she became ill and died. Her body was washed for burial and laid in an upstairs room. But the believers had heard that Peter was nearby at Lydda, so they sent two men to beg him, "Please come as soon as possible!" So Peter returned with them; and as soon as he arrived, they took him to the upstairs room. The room was filled



with widows who were weeping and showing him the coats and other clothes Dorcas had made for them. But Peter asked them all to leave the room; then he knelt and prayed. Turning to the body he said, "Get up, Tabitha." And she opened her eyes! When she saw Peter, she sat up! He gave



her his hand and helped her up. Then he called in the widows and all the believers, and he presented her to them alive.

The news spread through the whole town, and many believed in the Lord. And Peter stayed a long time in Joppa, living with Simon, a tanner of hides.

Acts 9:36-42

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Simple version

Peter travelled all over the country. At one time he visited Joppa. In Joppa there was a woman

called Dorcas who always helped the poor. Dorcas died around the time Peter was in Joppa. Two men came to Peter and said, "please come at once". Peter went to Dorcas's house with the men. He went up to her body, prayed and then said, "get up". Dorcas opened her eyes and stood up. The people were amazed and the news about Dorcas coming back to life spread across Joppa. Many people believed in Jesus that day.



Questions to discuss

After reading the story together, you could discuss these questions as a family:

- 1. Who do you know who is particularly kind? In what ways are they kind?
- 2. How did Dorcas help poor people?
- 3. Why do you think Dorcas's friends went to fetch Peter?
- 4. What did Peter do? What happened?

Short prayer

Dear God, thank You that You can answer prayers in an amazing way.

Please help me to trust you with everything. Amen.

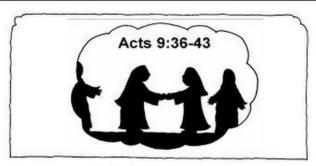


Dorcas

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By Jill Kemp

Illustrated by Richard Gunther



In the Bible the story about Dorcas inspires us to take care of poor people. What can I do to help them?



In the seaside town of Joppa Dorcas was always busy sewing coats to give to poor widows and their children.



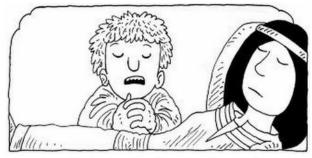
She loved to take care of them, the way Jesus had done, showing God's love by being kind and helpful.



When Dorcas got sick and died, her friends remembered how much she had helped others and had believed in God's son Jesus.



Peter, a disciple and helper of Jesus, had healed a sick man in the next town. Her friends went and asked Peter to come quickly and heal Dorcas too.



Peter went to Joppa and prayed for Dorcas, as Jesus had shown him. "Father God you alone have power to bring Dorcas back to life."



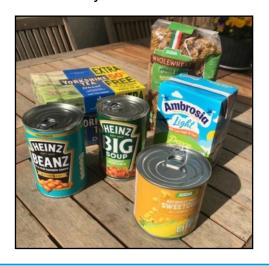
As Peter prayed Dorcas opened her eyes and sat up. Peter thanked God for answering his prayer.



Everyone was happy to see Dorcas alive and well. It was a miracle and many began to follow Jesus and to help poor people.

Help the poor

How about collecting a bag of food to donate to your local food bank?



Peg person

Make a clothes peg person and make clothes for it using paper or material.



Spare clothes

Look through your clothes. Are there items you haven't worn for a long time? Why not put them in a bag and take them to your local charity shop?

(Make sure you get your parents' permission before doing this)

Be kind

Why not make a special effort to be kind to someone this week. You could play with someone who doesn't have a friend to play with, go out of your way to do something for someone else or make someone else's bed in your home.

Find out more about buying clothes made by workers who are paid a fair wage for what they do:

https://www.fairtrade.org.uk/buyingfairtrade/clothes/

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Video of the story https://youtu.be/2YidYSV8C4Q







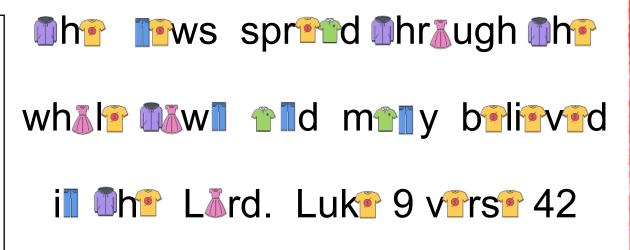
Cartoon

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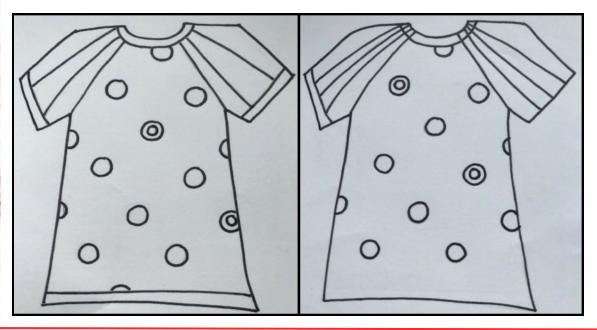


Use the code to discover the verse.





There are 9 differences between the two t-shirts. Can you find them?





True or false?



- 1. Dorcas is the Greek word for Tabitha.
- 2. Dorcas was a follower of Jesus.
- 3. Peter was in Nazareth when Dorcas died.
- 4. A man came to Peter and asked him to come at once.
- 5. Dorcas used to make beautiful clothes.
- 6. Peter prayed and Dorcas was healed.

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Answers are on the next page.



Poor people without clothes

Use pieces of material or paper to create a patchwork t-shirt. Think of all the people around the world who don't have enough clothes and need help.



Pray for them.





You will need:

- String
- Paper t-shirt shapes cut out
- Adhesive tape (Sellotape)

What to do:

- Look at the label on the clothes you wear.
 On the label, it shows in what country the clothes are made.
- Write the country name on one of the paper t-shirts.
- Colour the t-shirt like the flag of the country.
- Think about the people who work hard to make your clothes.
- Thank God for them.
- Ask God to help them today.
- Stick the paper t-shirts onto the string with the adhesive tape, and hang the string somewhere you will see it. You can pray for the people again when you see the string!





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Chocolate twists

These look a bit like a twist of wool like Dorcas would have used for making clothes

Ingredients:

- 1 packet of puff pastry (the rolled out type is best)
- Chocolate spread or the hazelnut variety if preferred
- 1 egg for glazing
- A sprinkling of granulated sugar

Method:

- Simply unfold the puff pastry onto your surface using the greaseproof paper provided, which will stop it sticking. Then, generously spread with your chocolate or chocolate hazelnut spread of choice, leaving a small border around the pastry.
- Now roll up the pastry lengthways over the filling, perhaps 3 or 4 times and cut it in half.
- Leaving a small amount still attached, cut each piece of pastry from top to bottom, you could use a pizza cutter for this if you have one.
- Plait the two pieces to form a twist by placing one piece over the other until you get to the end
- Pinch the end together, then cut the bit that was joined and pinch that together too.
- Transfer your twists onto a baking sheet lined with parchment paper, you could use the piece that came with the pastry if it is still intact.
- Finish off the twists with a quick egg wash beat your egg in a cup and brush it all over to
- ensure a golden brown pastry. Sprinkle with a small amount of granulated sugar
- Bake in the oven at 180oC (350oF) for 15-20 minutes, till they look lovely and golden.
 Remove from the oven and allow to cool for a short while.

You could then cut this into four as it would be a big treat for just one person!









Wool 'Pictionary'

You will need:

- Wool or string
- List of words sock, t-shirt, bed, stairs, tear, feet, hand, trousers, skirt
- Carpet or a piece of fabric

How to play:

- Each player takes turn trying to create a picture of a word using the wool
 or string. It is easier to create the picture on carpet or fabric so that the
 wool does not slide in all directions.
- The player who guesses what the first picture looks like wins a point.





The caterpillar game

You will need:

- An old newspaper
- Adhesive tape (Sellotape)
- 3 or 4, or more players.

How to play:

- Separate the newspaper pages and lay them so that one half of each page is at the top of the next page.
- Use the adhesive tape to hold the pages together.
- Attach the last page to the first page to make a large newspaper round. This needs to be big enough for the players to stand inside the circle.
- Once the players are standing inside the circle, everyone slowly walks forward and passes the newspaper over their heads.
- How far can you go without tearing the paper?







Watch this song and sing along at https://youtu.be/h ZmCDzuu4k

If you'd like a copy of the sheet music, contact Andy Hughes: ahughes@saintygymuned.org

Lord we know that nothing is impossible for You.

We see it in the wonders and the miracles You do.

So when we're overwhelmed by stuff,

Lord, teach us how to pray.

We trust in Your great promises as we learn to say:-

Nothing is impossible (Nothing is impossible)
Healings, wonders, miracles (Healings, wonders, miracles)
Nothing is impossible (Nothing is impossible)

for You to do!

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