Sparklers @ Home Week 2.

Paul in trouble
Acts 23:11-24

Hi Sparklers, I hope you enjoyed making your bags last week. This week at Sparklers @ Home we are going to learn about when Paul got in trouble and God saved him. We have lots to do this week with plenty of crafts and a story.

Activity Sheet.

First of all, we are going to make a book about today's story; you can follow along when we get to story time. Plus, you can read it again yourself later. Get your copy of your activity sheet from the back of this pack and colour it in.

What nice colours did you choose? Here is the one me and Luke did:

Next you can cut out the two strips as marked and stick them together in the middle. You can fold on the dotted lines to make a pull-out book.

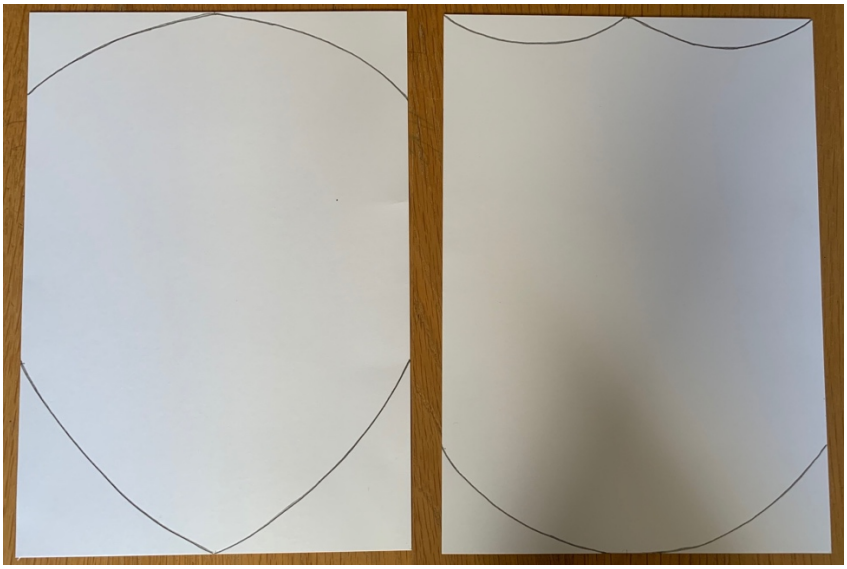
We will come back to the story later.

Craft.

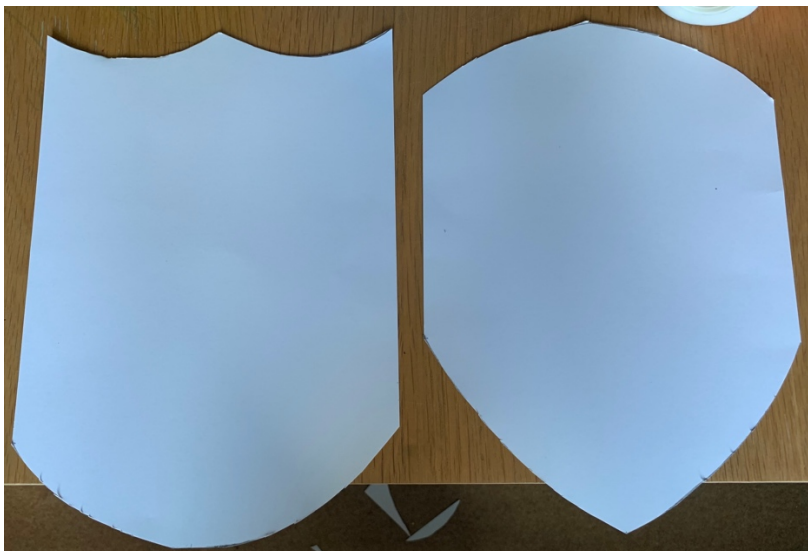
You will need:

1 sheet of A4 card and a strip of card. An old cereal box is fine.
Some decorations
Some foil if you like it to be shiny
A glue stick
Some Sellotape
A pair of Scissors.

1. Choose which template of a shield you like from the two at the back of this pack and draw it onto your piece of card.



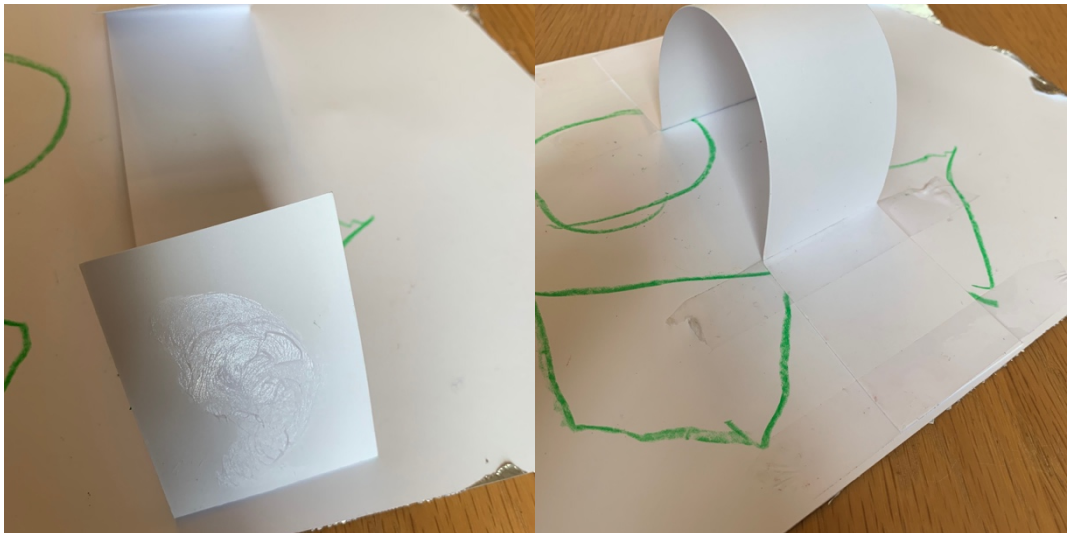
2. Cut out the shield.



3. You can now decorate it. Go wild! anything is good here. You can use crayons or pen's or if you like shiny why not use foil and a glue stick. We also have put some decorations on to make it stand out.

4. Next you will need some adult help. Put your arm on the back of the shield and get the adult to measure how big a loop you need for your arm. They can use the strip of card for this.

5. Now its measured place some glue on each end and stick it to the card so you have a loop. I added Sellotape for good measure just in case. You don't want your shield falling off.



6. Now you have a lovely shield just like the soldiers in today's story.

Please send photos of your shields you have created and decorated so we can share them with each other another week.

Story:

Let's now hear our story. You can wear your shield just like one of the soldiers and follow along with the book you made.

Here comes Pauls nephew he can tell us more about it.

Pauls Nephew: Phew! Uncle Paul is safe now!

You: Safe? Why what happened?

Pauls Nephew: My Uncle Paul was in terrible trouble. I heard that some men wanted to hurt him!

You: Oh no! What did you do?

Pauls Nephew: God helped me to save him! I ran quickly to the fort where Uncle Paul was a prisoner. I told him what the men were going to do. Uncle Paul called one of the soldiers and he took me to see the commander of the fort.

You: Who? The man in charge?

Pauls Nephew: Yes. I told the commander what I had heard. Uncle Paul was safe in the fort with all the soldiers. But the men wanted to get him out of prison so they could attack him!

You: How could they do that?

Pauls Nephew: They were going to tell the soldiers they wanted to ask Uncle Paul some questions. They would ask the commander to let Paul out of the fort to talk to them. But they were going to hide along the road and wait for him. When he came along, they were going to rush out and hurt him. I was really worried about him.

You: Wow, your uncle really was in trouble. What did the commander say?

Pauls Nephew: He said ' Ssshh! Don't tell anyone about this.' Then he told his soldiers to get a horse for Uncle Paul to ride and to arrange a guard of hundreds of soldiers.

You: Hundreds of soldiers?

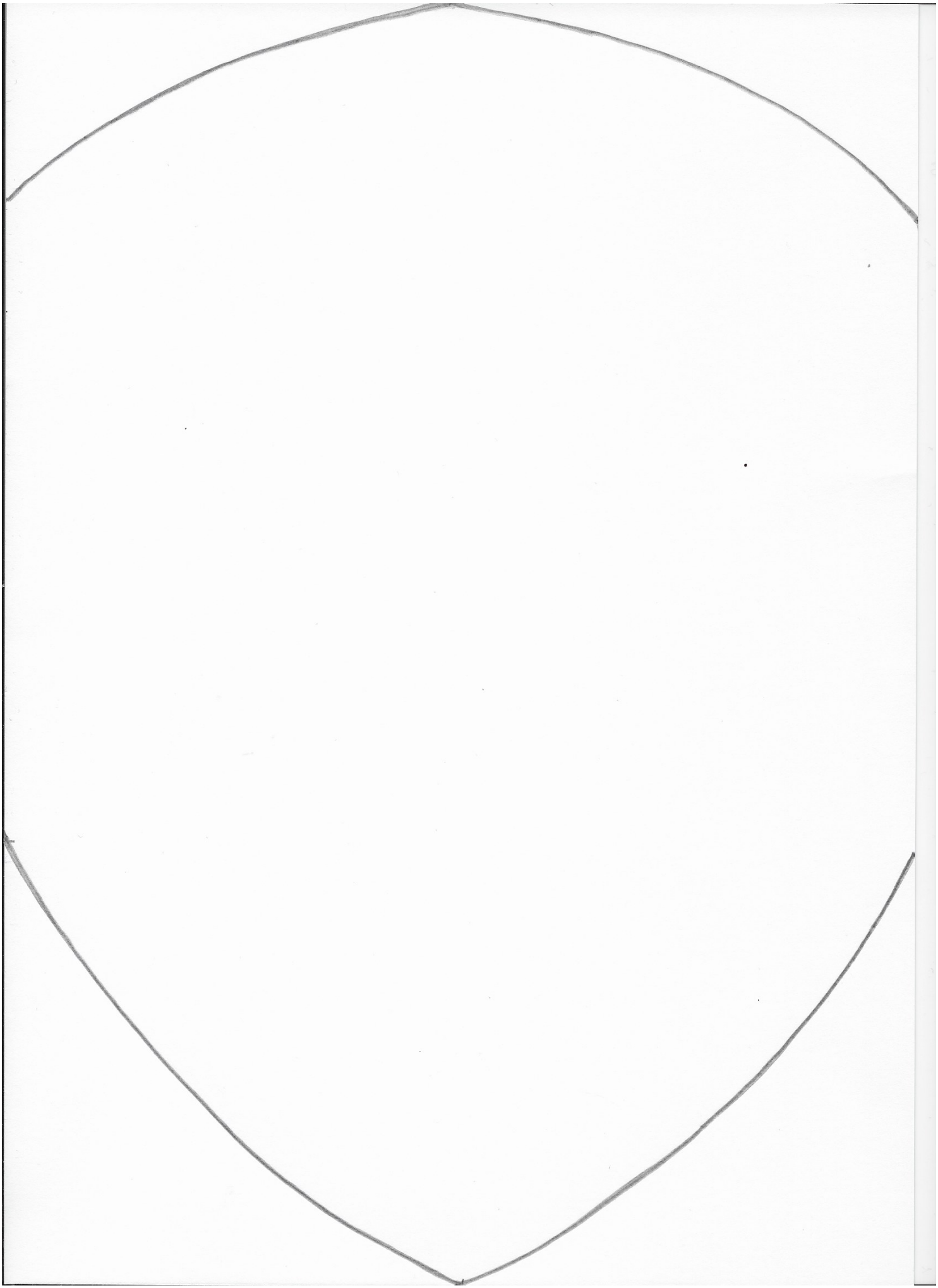
Pauls Nephew: Yes, hundreds! Some with spears, some on horses. They kept Uncle Paul safe. They all left the fort at night while it was really dark. Nobody could see them. By the morning Uncle Paul was far away from the men who wanted to hurt him. God has kept Uncle Paul safe!

You: And God used you to help save your uncle! Let's all cheer for God, Paul and Paul's nephew!

Prayer:

God can and does use anyone he chooses and that person could be you

Let's join in our prayer. Jesus, here we are. Thank you for being our friend. Thank you for loving us. Please help us and show us what you want us to do. Amen.



My name

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God kept Paul safe.

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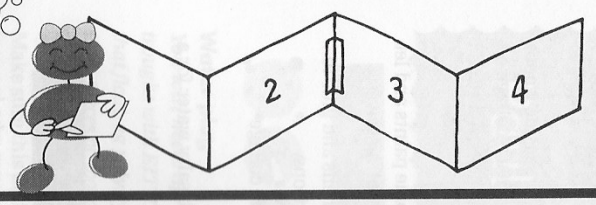
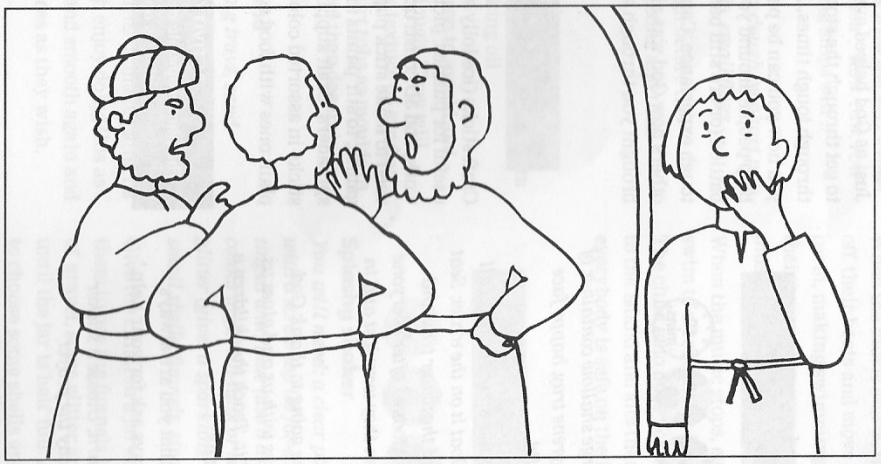
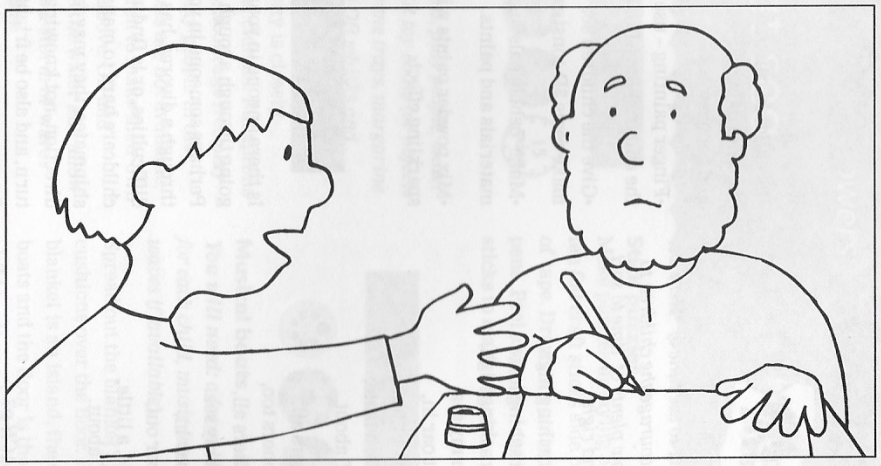
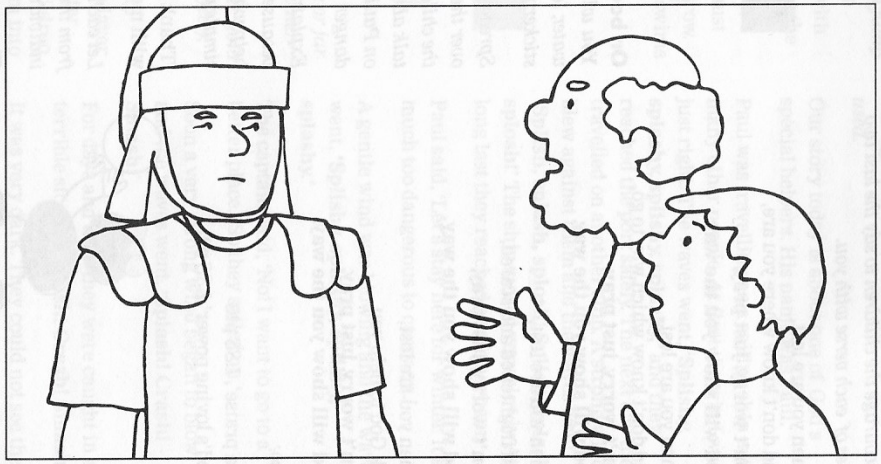




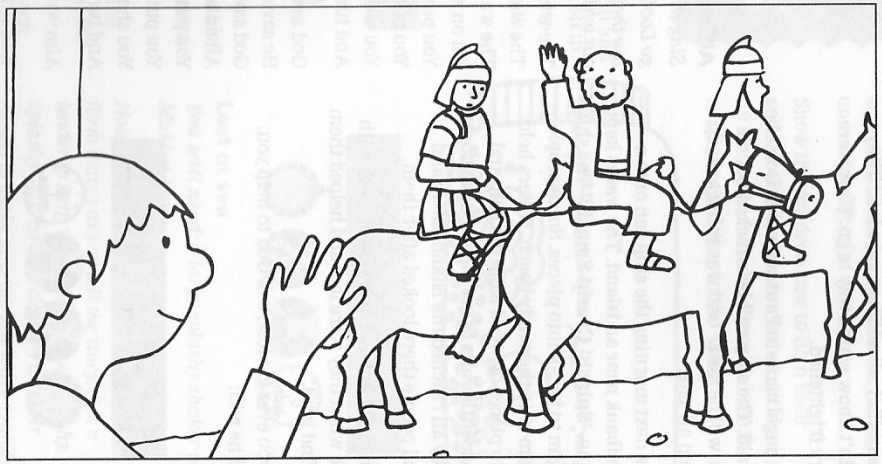
A boy heard some men say they were going to hurt his uncle Paul.



The boy told Paul.



They told the captain of the soldiers.



The soldiers took Paul to a safe place.