



FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

TEACHING TOOL | LESSON 3

SLAPSTICK THEATER – THE APOSTLES AND THE HIGH COUNCIL

WHAT I DO

WHAT I SAY

Show the happy apostles.

These men are the apostles. The apostles were the men who followed Jesus during His time on earth. After Jesus died, the apostles went to the Temple Courts to teach people about Jesus and God's love.

Show happy apostles and High Priest.

When the High Priest heard about this, he became very angry. He had the apostles arrested and put in jail.

Remove High Priest. Show angel and apostles in chains.

When the apostles were in jail, God sent one of His angels to them. The angel opened the gates of the jail and told them to continue to tell others about Jesus.

Remove angel and apostles in chains. Show Gamaliel and High Priest.

The next morning, when the high council gathered together, someone came and told them that the apostles were teaching in the courts again. This made the High Priest very angry. Can you show me your angry faces?

ALLOW TIME FOR CHILDREN TO MAKE ANGRY FACES.

Show Gamaliel, High Priest and apostles in chains sticks.

The High Priest then had the apostles arrested again. The council wanted them to be killed, but a Pharisee named Gamaliel told the High Priest that the apostles should be left alone. So the High Priest decided to have the apostles beaten, but then released!

Remove all sticks. Show only happy apostles.

The apostles were so happy! Let's all make happy faces on the count of three! Ready? 1, 2, 3!

ALLOW TIME FOR CHILDREN TO MAKE HAPPY FACES.

Great job! Even though the High Priest told them not to, the apostles went back to the Temple Courts so they could continue to tell others about Jesus!

The End.

What a great story! The apostles were faithful to God even though the Pharisees were telling them to be quiet. Being faithful means that we stand up for what we believe in because it is the right thing to do. This is not always easy, but the Bible tells us that we should always be faithful to God!

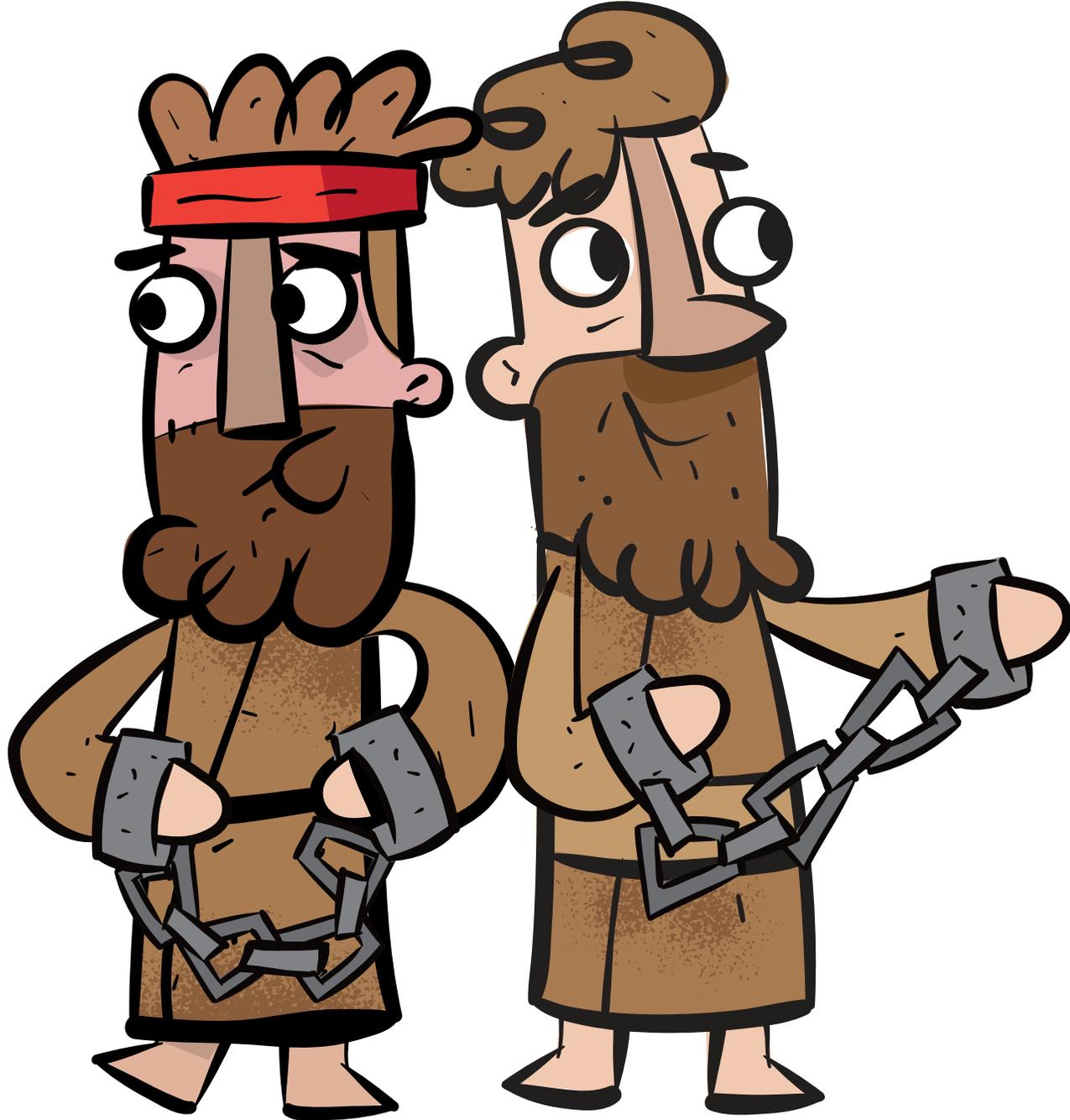
You all did such a great job listening! Now it is time for us to go over some questions so we can learn more about our Bible story.

- 1. Who had the apostles arrested?**
- 2. Why was the High Priest angry?**
- 3. Who was faithful to God in our Bible story?**

HAPPY APOSTLES



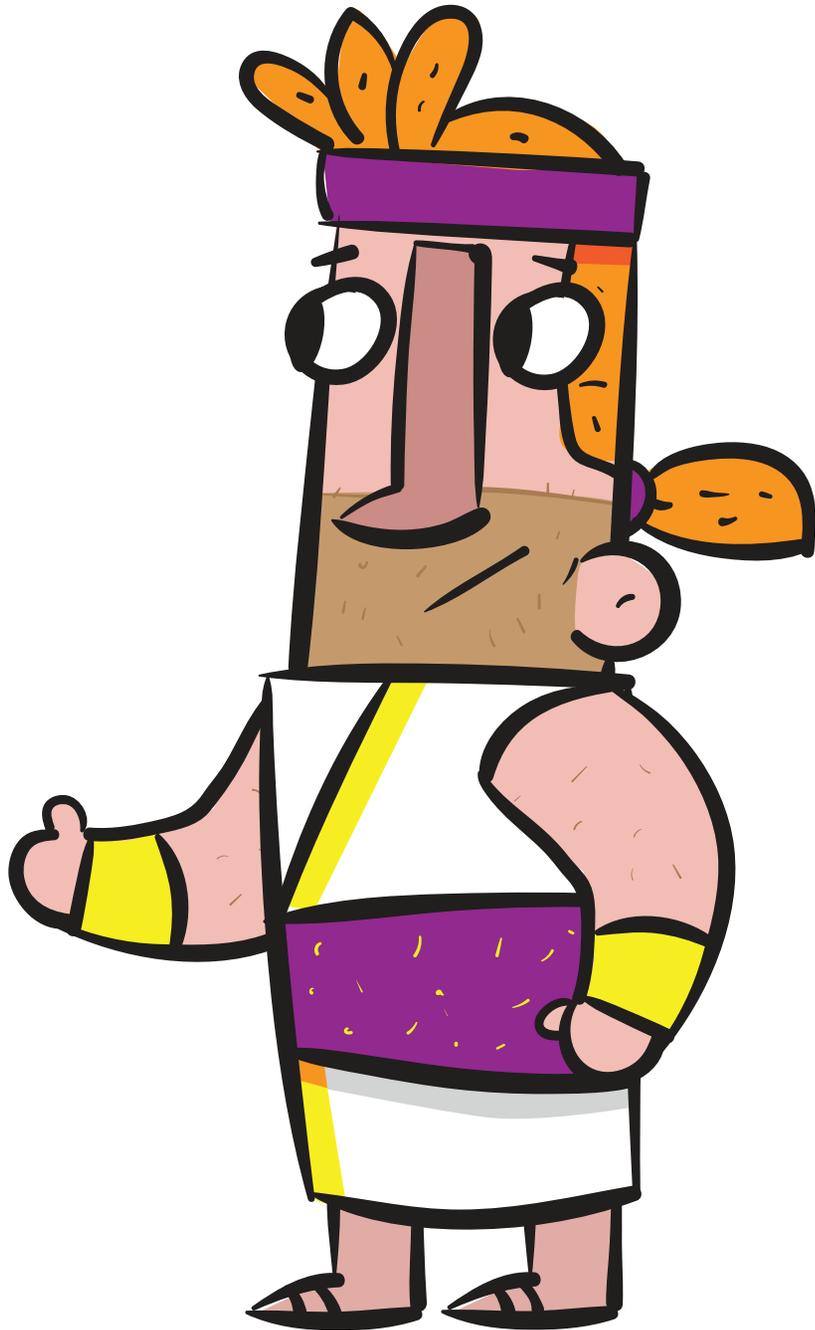
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