



THE ADVENTURES OF PAUL

6. TIMOTHY JOINS PAUL

Timothy joined Paul on his missionary journey and later became a great Church leader. We are called to continue the work of the Gospel and raise up others.

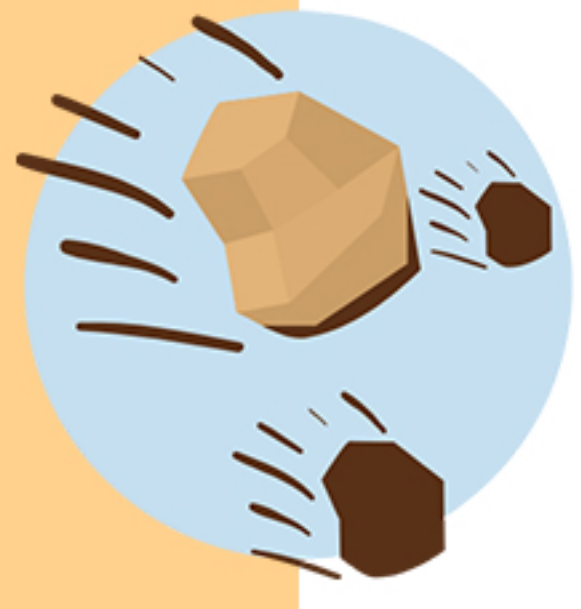
- 1 Paul came also to Derbe and to Lystra.
A disciple was there, named Timothy, the son of a Jewish woman who was a believer, but his father was a Greek.
- 2 He was well spoken of by the brothers at Lystra and Iconium.



- 3 Paul wanted Timothy to accompany him, and he took him and circumcised him because of the Jews who were in those places, for they all knew that his father was a Greek.
- 4 As they went on their way through the cities, they delivered to them for observance the decisions that had been reached by the apostles and elders who were in Jerusalem.
- 5 So the churches were strengthened in the faith, and they increased in numbers daily.



DID YOU KNOW



This was not Paul's first visit to Lystra, the city where Timothy lived. The first time, he was mistaken for a god, and then later was almost stoned to death (Acts 14:8-20). It was a rough start, but a strong church was planted.



Timothy came from the church in Lystra, but he was also raised to believe in God by his grandmother and mother (2 Timothy 1:5). The greatest thing a parent can share with their child is faith in Jesus Christ.



Paul and Silas were both Jewish (like all Church leaders at that time) but Timothy was half-Jewish. The Holy Spirit was starting to raise up leaders from different backgrounds, and the division between Jew and non-Jew was going away (Ephesians 2:13-15).



Later on, Paul wrote many letters, and he often called Timothy his child (1 Timothy 1:2; 1 Corinthians 4:17; 1 Timothy 1:18). When we join together for the Lord's work, we become family through Jesus, and we should love each other that way.

Read Romans 15:7 in your Bible and write it below. Jesus wants us to accept each other just as Paul accepted Timothy to join God's work!

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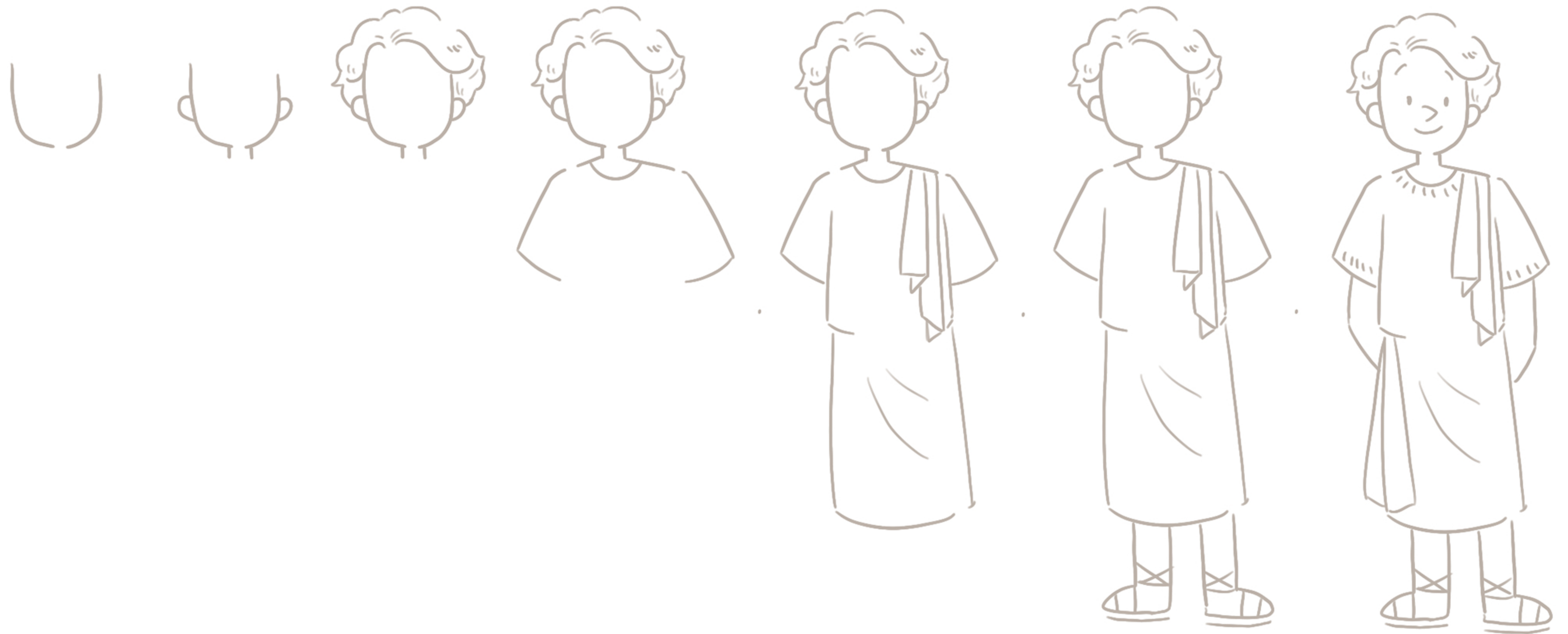
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LET'S HAVE FUN

Let's draw Timothy.



Can you draw him by yourself?

