

Sunday School Craft

Prisoner Ball and Chain

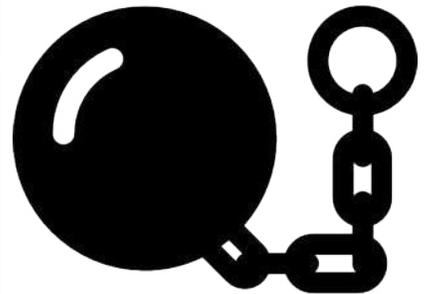
Paul teaches forgiveness from prison!

SCRIPTURES:

"I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. ¹¹ Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful  both to you and to me." **Philemon 10-11**

MATERIALS:

- Black Construction paper - Cut into 1in x 5in strips
- Prisoner Ball Template (*to follow*)
- Scissors
- Glue, tape or stapler
- White crayons

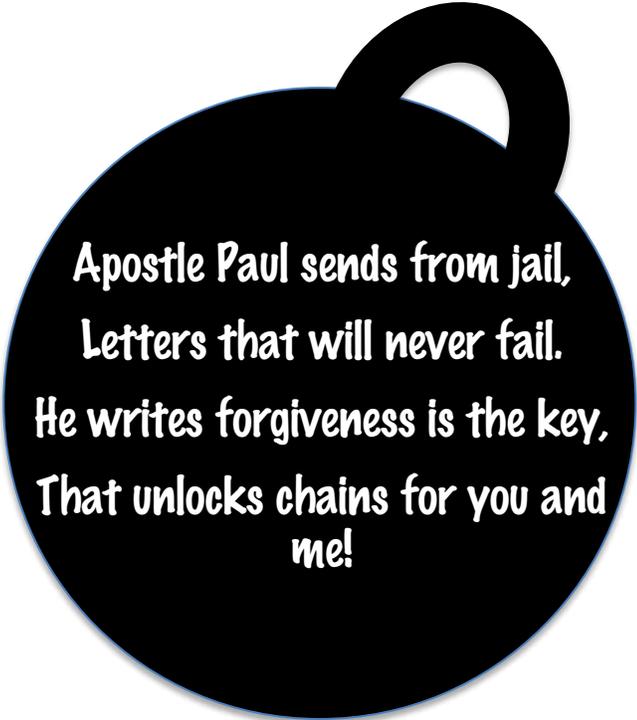


PREPARATION:

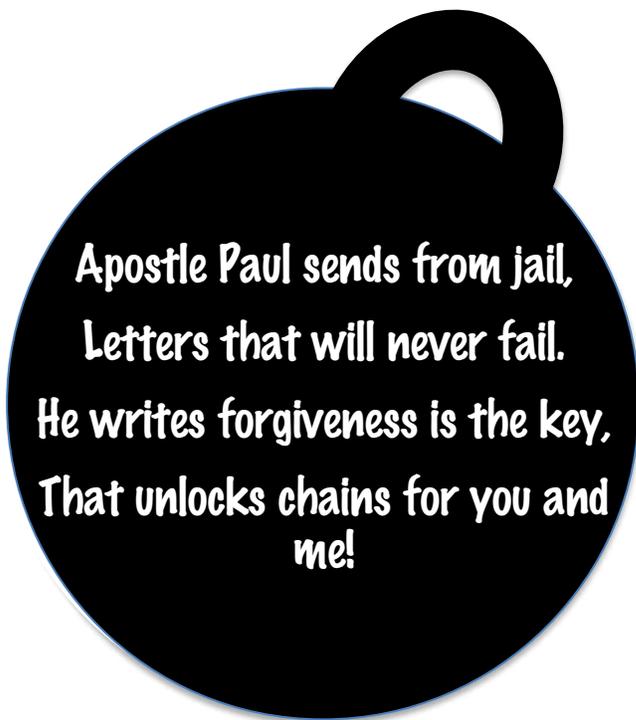
- Cut strips from black construction paper – *each student needs 6*
- Print Prisoner Ball Template – to make sturdier, glue to a piece of (black) construction paper before cutting out.
- Make a sample

DIRECTIONS:

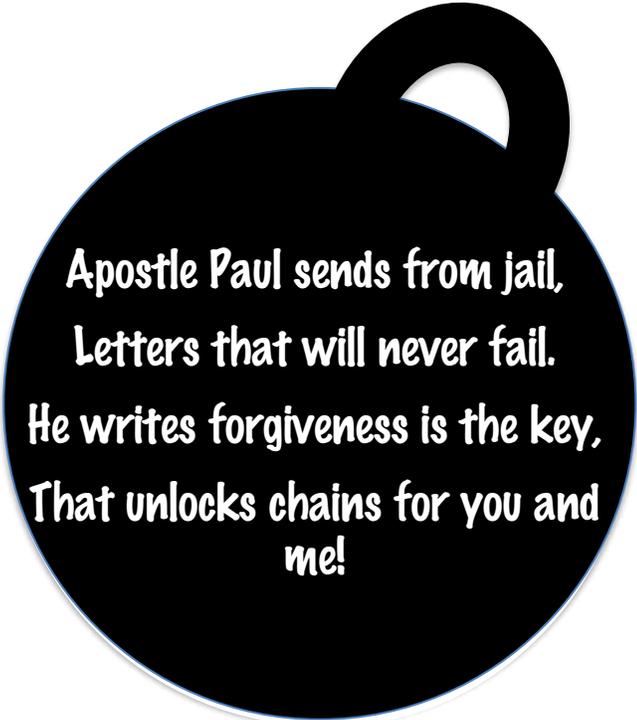
1. Each student will need:
 - 6 strips of black construction paper, cut roughly 1 inch wide by 5 inches long. (*May be pre-cut for younger students; older students may like to cut their own strips.*)
 - 1 "Prisoner Ball" (*from Template*) – *glue each copy to a piece of construction paper before cutting out*
2. Begin with the "Prisoner Ball. Make a "slit" in the handle of the ball. (You may want to do this ahead of time for younger students.)
3. Take 1 black paper strip and thread through the slit. (You may need to fold it so that it goes through.) Secure closed with glue or stapler. This will make your first "link" in the chain.
4. Loop another paper strip through the first link. Secure closed with glue or stapler. Continue until you have all 6 paper strips linked to each other.
5. OLDER STUDENTS: Each day this week, ask students to "break" (open) one chain link as a reminder to FORGIVE someone during the day – maybe give that person the paper link, telling them, "*I forgive you!*"



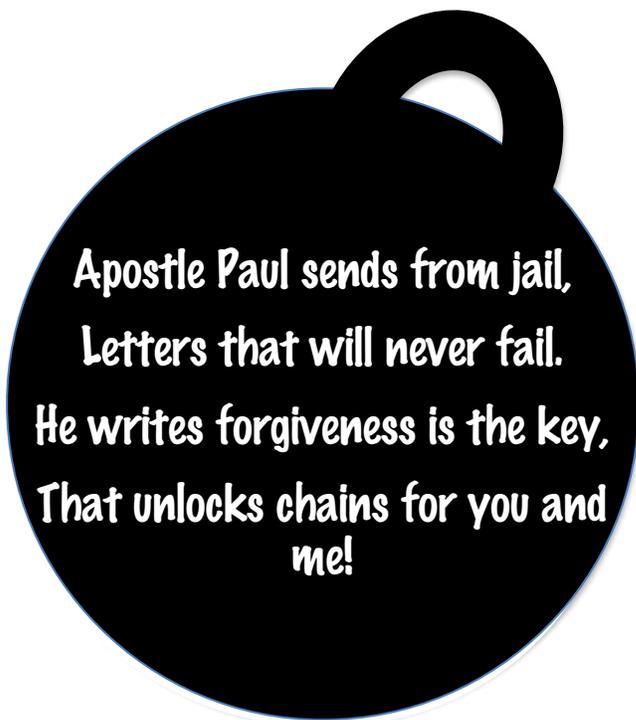
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