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O Lord, You are my God;
I will exalt You;
I will praise Your name,
for You have done wonderful things,
plans formed of old,
faithful and sure.
Isaiah 25:1

1. What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
2. What does this story teach me about myself?
3. Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
4. Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
5. How does this story help me to live on mission better?



Unit 35 • Session 2

PAUL WAS ON TRIAL

Acts 22-23

WHY SHOULD WE PRAISE JESUS?

WE SHOULD PRAISE JESUS FOR WHAT HE HAS DONE TO PROVIDE OUR SALVATION AND BECAUSE HE WILL ONE DAY MAKE ALL THINGS RIGHT.

Paul was in danger. He had nearly been killed in Jerusalem by an angry crowd. A Roman commander and his soldiers stepped in and rescued Paul. The Romans brought Paul to a powerful group of Jewish priests and other leaders. These Jewish leaders wanted to know why Paul was causing problems. Paul was wise and had a plan. He knew that some of the leaders were Pharisees, and others were Sadducees. Each group believed different things, so Paul knew what to say to make them argue with each other.

Paul said, "I am here because I believe in the resurrection of the dead!" Paul's words made the Pharisees happy. But the Sadducees didn't agree with what Paul said. Soon, the room was filled with loud arguing between the Pharisees and Sadducees. The Roman commander ordered his soldiers to take Paul away to a safe place. That night, the Lord came to Paul. "Have courage!" He said to Paul. "You told about Me in Jerusalem. I want you to tell about Me in Rome, too." A group of Jews got together and made a plan to kill Paul. But Paul's nephew overheard their conversation. He hurried to tell Paul everything, and Paul sent him to tell this important information to the commander. The commander understood that Paul was in great danger. In the middle of the night, the soldiers secretly took Paul away to Caesarea (cess uh REE uh), where he would be safe.

Christ Connection: Paul trusted God and believed that God, who showed His love for the world by sending His Son to die on the cross and rise again, would use the danger Paul faced to get Paul to Rome. We too can risk everything to share the gospel with courage because we know that God loves us and will care for us.

My child has completed the Christ Connection on his/her own and has discussed it with me:

Parent Signature: _____