

Lesson 6 July 11, 2021

A Gift to Strengthen You

Romans 1:8-17

In today's Bible lesson, adults will discern the power of God as demonstrated by Paul's faith. In our contemporary scenario, after Ed heard the Word of God, he affirmed the power of God's salvation in his life!

When convenient, Ed flaunts how he is a Christian because he joined church last year and even got baptized. Even though Ed joined a church where his sister attends, Ed didn't attend Bible Study, engage in Men's Ministry and only attended worship occasionally and on holidays. Ed neglected his spiritual life and began drifting away from God. It was not long before Ed began living recklessly.

One night after leaving a night club, a shooting occurred. Ed's car was caught in the cross-fire. Ed was not injured, but his buddy, a passenger in Ed's vehicle, was seriously injured. Ed visited every day checking on his buddy. On Sunday mornings, Ed played sermons for his buddy from the sermons his sister provided to strengthen and encourage his buddy's faith even as he laid in a coma. But, as Ed listened to the sermons, the sermons were a gift that strengthened Ed's faith. As Pastor preached about the life of the Apostle Paul and the power of God demonstrated by Paul's faith; Ed's heart was convicted, and he made the decision he was ready to make a change. Ed's sister prayed with him as he genuinely accepted God's gift of salvation and trusted in Jesus as his Savior. From there, Ed was excited to spread the Gospel and was not ashamed to do so! Ed prayed for the salvation of the world, believing that it is possible. Ed's buddy recovered and Ed offered his buddy and his buddy's wife the gift of salvation in Jesus Christ which was eagerly received.

Discussion Questions:

- 1. Share how the power of God transformed your life.
- 2. Like Ed, are you unashamed of the Gospel and excited to spread the Gospel message to others? Explain.
- 3. Share a time within the last year you believed a particular Scripture(s) was a gift from God to strengthen you in that moment.