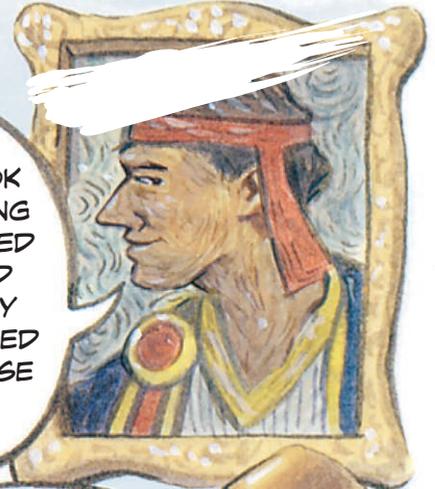


# TALKING HEADS

If pictures could talk, these portraits of some Bible characters you studied this quarter would have a lot to say. Can you tell who they are from the clues they're giving you? Write each name from the bottom of the page inside the paint splatter on the portrait it describes.



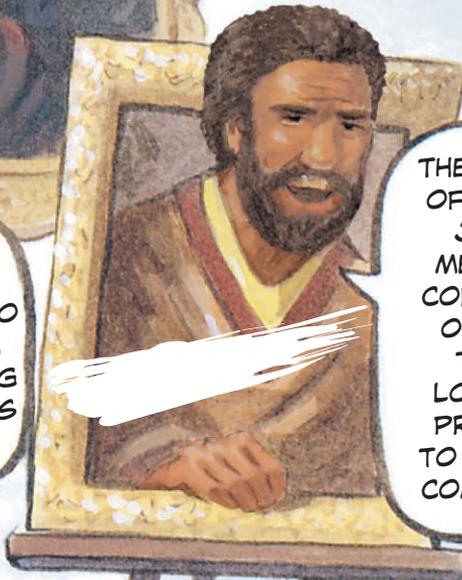
MY PEOPLE JOINED ME IN PRAYER FOR DELIVERANCE FROM OUR ENEMIES.



WHEN I HEARD THE BOOK OF THE LAW BEING READ, I REPENTED AND WORSHIPED THE LORD. MANY OTHERS WORSHIPED GOD TOO BECAUSE OF MY EXAMPLE.

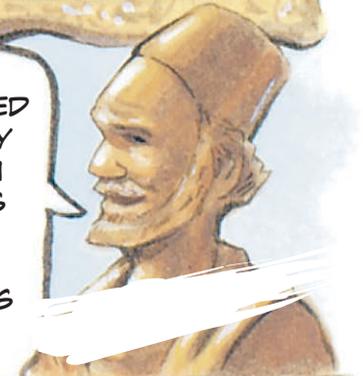


MY FRIENDS HELPED ME OUT BY ASKING GOD TO GIVE ME WISDOM TO INTERPRET KING NEBUCHADNEZZAR'S DREAM.



THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL JOINED ME AS WE CONFESSED OUR SINS TO THE LORD AND PROMISED TO KEEP HIS COMMANDS.

I ENCOURAGED THE EARLY CHRISTIAN CHURCHES TO HELP OTHER CHRISTIANS WHO HAD NEEDS.

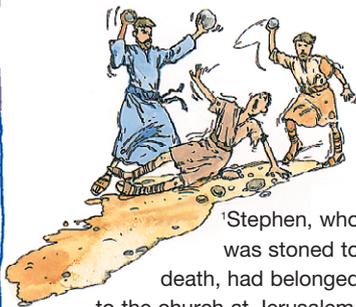


- Ezra
- Daniel
- Paul
- Josiah
- Jehoshaphat



# SOWING GIFTS THAT GROW

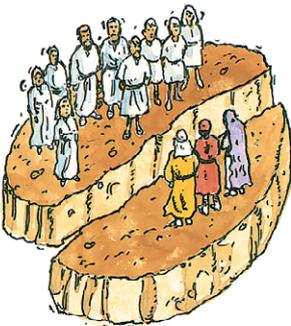
**T**he people in the church at Jerusalem had suffered greatly because of a famine and persecutions.<sup>1</sup> Paul had asked



<sup>1</sup>Stephen, who was stoned to death, had belonged to the church at Jerusalem.

the Christians in Corinth<sup>2</sup> to help their Christian friends in Jerusalem. A church leader named Titus,<sup>3</sup> along with another leader,<sup>4</sup> helped collect the gifts for Paul to take to Jerusalem. Titus began the work a year earlier, and Paul wrote the Corinthian Christians to encourage them to continue to help as before.

**Read 2 Corinthians 8:1-5. What motivated the Christians in Macedonia<sup>5</sup> to give? Why do you think Paul told the Corinthians what the Macedonians were doing?**



<sup>2</sup>The people in Corinth were mostly Greeks or Romans, but there were also some Jews. More than half of the people were slaves. The church at Corinth included such people.

**Read verse 9. Who is the greatest example of unselfish giving? Explain this verse in your own words.**

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## 2 Corinthians 9:6-9

**Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also**

**reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap**

**generously. Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.**

<sup>3</sup>Titus was a friend and helper of Paul. Titus probably became a Christian after listening to Paul preach. Later, Titus was a leader of the church on the island of Crete.

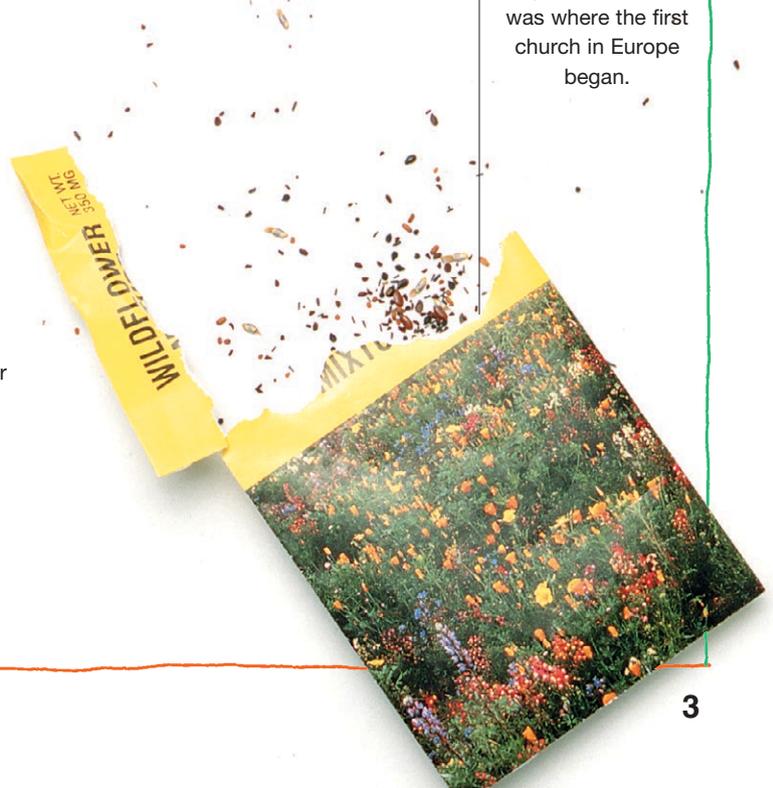


And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. As it is written: "They have freely scattered their gifts to the poor; their righteousness endures forever."

**What were Paul's directions for giving? How could these instructions change your attitude about giving and helping others who have needs?**



"This other leader may have been Luke, or possibly Barnabas. Whoever it was, he was known for his faithfulness and service."



<sup>5</sup>Philippi, the main city in Macedonia, was where the first church in Europe began.

# FIX UP FOR FALL

It's summer and the living is easy. Take a look around your Sunday school room. Has the living just been a little too easy in your class?

With September coming soon, your classroom might need an end-of-summer fix-up. This can be a big job unless everyone pitches in. Working together makes things easier and more fun. Follow this list and get your classroom ready for fall.

Don't stop with the classroom. Look over the page for other end-of-summer fix-ups you can do around your home with your friends or family.

## Fall Fix-Up List

- \_\_\_ Sweep the room.
- \_\_\_ Clean out cabinets.
- \_\_\_ Clear off bulletin board.
- \_\_\_ Throw away extra paper.
- \_\_\_ Dust corners.
- \_\_\_ Wash chalkboards.
- \_\_\_ Wipe off shelves and table.
- \_\_\_ Clean erasers.
- \_\_\_ Organize supplies.
- \_\_\_ Sharpen pencils.
- \_\_\_ Empty trash.

Clean out the garage or basement.

Recycle newspapers, plastic milk jugs, and aluminum cans.

Spruce up your room.

Plan and prepare a Saturday breakfast or lunch for your family.

Rake leaves and put them in trash bags.

Plant flower bulbs.

## KEY VERSE

Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.

Galatians 6:10