

LESSON 20  
"CONFIDENCE"  
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**BIBLE CONNECTION**

Acts 12:5-19 (pages 1201-1202)

**CHARACTER WORD**

*Confidence* - Trust; a feeling of assurance or certainty

**TEACHING OBJECTIVE**

*I can have confidence in God even in hard times.*

**MEMORY LINK**

**Isaiah 41:10a**

*"Fear not, for I am with you...  
I will strengthen you, Yes, I  
will help you."*

*(KBC Study Bible, page 768)*

**SUPPLIES NEEDED  
THIS WEEK**

**GET CONNECTED**

Memory Link cards, Hang  
10 pages, index cards, pens,  
highlighters

**MEMORY LINK ACTIVITY**

**Option 1:** Hula hoops

**Option 2:** No supplies needed

**BIBLE CONNECTION**

Resource item

**SURF TEAM TIME**

Memory Link cards, Hang  
10 pages, index cards, pens,  
highlighters

**MAKE-IT-STICK  
REVIEW GAME**

**Option 1:** A door

**Option 2:** Beach balls

# Peter Miraculously Escapes Prison

## WHAT'S THE POINT?

Having confidence in someone means that you firmly believe what he says, and you trust him to keep his promises. It is hard to have confidence in someone based on words alone. Seeing words combined with action increases your confidence and trust in that person. God's Word, the Bible, is full of promises from God. It is also full of real examples of God's faithfulness in action in keeping His promises. That combination of words and actions become the firm foundation of confidence in God.

When difficult times come, build your confidence in God by looking to God's word for reassurance. Read God's promises and trust Him to keep them. Read stories about heroes of the faith to see evidence of God's power in action, boosting your confidence even more. Then, look at your own life and see how God has carried you through in the past. Reflecting on what God has done for you in the past can further increase your confidence that He will keep His promise to you today.

In today's Bible story, things looked bleak for Peter. He was in jail with little hope of release. The other believers remained at home and prayed earnestly and confidently for God to rescue Peter. God responded in a miraculous way, boosting the believer's confidence even more. Through your most difficult times, you, too, can pray with confidence in God and trust Him to perform miracles in your life.

## GET CONNECTED

Building relationships in surf teams; introducing today's lesson



*Memory Link cards, Hang 10 pages, index cards, pens, highlighters*

Use the following conversation prompts to get to know the students in your surf team and to introduce today's lesson.

- *Today's character word is confidence. What does confidence mean to you?*
- *In today's Bible story, you'll hear about a man who had a difficult time. What are some difficult times you or someone you know had to go through?*
- *How can having confidence help you during difficult times?*
- *What does it mean to have confidence in God?*



Guide students to locate and mark today's Bible Connection and Memory Link in their Bibles, if they brought one, so they can find the pages quickly as directed in the session.

## WORSHIP TIME

Pointing students' hearts toward God



Today's character word is confidence. God has called you to serve in Beach Club as a Worship Leader, so do it with confidence! God will strengthen you and help you. Make sure your words, facial expressions and body language reflect the confidence you have in God. When you lead out confidently, the students will naturally follow and respond. Additionally, you will build confidence in them when you give them opportunities to participate as worship leaders, too!

Consider these song choices: "We Can Trust Him", by Group (LifeTree Kids); "Confidence", by Sanctus Real; "Do Not Fear" (Isaiah 41:10), by Seeds Family Worship

## MEMORY LINK

2 Minutes – Teaching the Bible verse to students

8 Minutes – Activity to help them memorize the verse



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No supplies needed

### Focus on the Bible

Invite students who brought their Bibles to hold them high in the air. Guide them to find in their KBC Study Bible each of the four gospel books in order: Matthew (page 1023), Mark (page 1070), Luke (page 1100) and John (1148). Remind students that the gospel books tell the story of Jesus’ life on earth. Challenge them to find the first page of the book that follows John (Acts, page 1183).

Explain that the book of Acts was written to tell about the ACT-ions of Jesus’ followers after Jesus ascended into Heaven. Use “Digging In” on page 1183 to share with the students some additional information about the book of Acts.

### Focus on today’s Memory Link

*Often, the very first Christians were afraid. Many people didn’t believe the true things they said about Jesus. They would have to hide for their own safety, some were put in jail, and many were even killed for sharing the good news about Jesus. Many of them remembered God’s promises they had learned from Scripture. One of those promises is today’s Memory Link. Guide students to find Isaiah 41:10 in their KBC Study Bible (page 768) and ask a volunteer to read it aloud. Imagine you were one of the first believers in Jesus and afraid for your life. How would this verse give you confidence? (Answers will vary.) Like those believers, you too, can have confidence in God when you face difficult times because He is always with you.*

### Option 1 - STEP IN IT

Hula hoop for each surf team

Place the hula hoop on the floor and guide your surf team to stand in a circle around the hula hoop. Select one person to go first. He or she will step into the hoop and say the first word of the verse (Fear) and step back out. The person to their right steps in and says the next word (not) and steps out. Continue around the circle until the entire verse and reference has been recited. After the verse is completed, repeat the game increasing speed. Challenge your team to see how quickly they can recite the verse in this way.

### Option 2 - ACT IT OUT

No supplies needed

Give the surf teams a few minutes to come up with motions that act out or demonstrate the words of today’s Memory Link. After groups have had time to practice, call on each surf team and allow them to demonstrate their motions to the rest of the students. You may reward the team that does the best job by giving them bonus tickets or rewards.

### Isaiah 41:10a

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### Teaching Tip

This is the final Beach Club for the school year. Take some time to encourage the students to continue reading their Bibles at home to discover more truth from God’s Word. Tell them about KBC’s Summer Reading Plan and ask them to tell their parents to check for a weekly email from KiDs Beach Club!

Discuss ways they can remember to read the Bible. Share ideas such as keeping their KBC Study Bible by their bed or reading their Bible at the same time each day. Allow your surf team to brainstorm creative ideas on ways to memorize verses such as posting them on a mirror.

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