



**Call to Worship:** "But I will offer sacrifices to you with songs of praise, and I will fulfill my vows. For my salvation comes from the LORD alone." (Jonah 2:9)



"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

"Never Let Go Of Me"

"This Train is Bound for Glory"



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**Jesus Storybook Bible\***: pg. 170-175 from Nehemiah, Ezra, and Malachi

**Memory Verse:** "Salvation comes from the Lord." (Jonah 2:9)



**Ask:** Why were the people so sad in the story? What made them happy?

**List:** Make a list of the amazing things God did throughout the Old Testament to save his people. Then make a list of amazing, happy things God has done for you. Celebrate with some ice cream or a popsicle party outside!

**Activity:** Fill out the activity sheet. Talk about why God's rules are there for our good.



**Jesus Connection:** How does this story point us to Jesus? Who is the Messenger and the Rescuer the Old Testament points to? What amazing things did Jesus do for us?



**Prayer:** Spend some time thanking God that he loves us even when we don't follow all his rules. Ask God to help you with things that are scary or hard. Pray that your friends, family, and neighbors would come to know Jesus.

**God's people were ...**

- a) ... able to keep God's rules.
- b) ... not able to keep God's rules.

**God's people are saved by ...**

- a) ... keeping God's rules.
- b) ... a Rescuer.



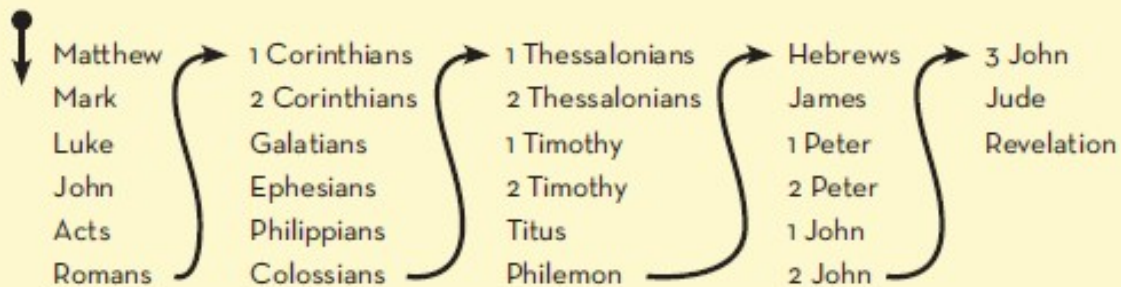
**Jesus in the Story**



What did you discover about Jesus from this story?

→ **Jesus**

**To Learn at Home**



Notes for parents: As we finished the Old Testament, we remembered how it points to God's great plan to rescue his people. God will provide a Rescuer — Jesus.  
Please help your child to memorize the names and order of the books of the New Testament.

