# **BUILDER TRAILS 2**

### **BLOCKHOUSE 5**

### Achievement Sampler

Use this sampler to complete some CSB Achievement at home. Your parent, another relative or a family friend can help you with the memory verses and the individual Achievements. When you are done, show your completed work to your Stockade Ranger. He can help you get the entire Builder 2 Trail Guide and earn all the Blockhouses and Patches.

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The complete **Builder Trails 2** is made up of four Blockhouses, each with challenging Achievements separated into five sections. A Blockhouse begins with Exploring God's Word, which sets a theme through an exciting Bible story, application, and activity. Next comes Trail Signs – Bible memory verses that speak God's Truth into the Blockhouse theme. In the middle section are the Stockade Foundations that take a closer look at the nuts and bolts of the Stockade and the Stockader's role within it. This is followed by the Outpost Adventure Page. The final section is Others and Me – one to three activities which help the boy develop personal skills in living with others.

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# Happy Prisoners Act 16:16-40

Everything seemed fine until an angry crowd formed. Seizing Paul and Silas, they dragged them into the town square where they complained to the Roman judge. "Strip them and beat them severely," yelled the judge, "then take them to prison. And Jailer," the judge leaned over, looking the jailer right in the eye, "make sure that they don't get away."



The jailer didn't need a reminder. He knew that allowing a prisoner to escape meant death for him. He pushed the two prisoners toward the jail. "So you want to teach us about your God, do you? Now see who you can teach in prison!" He shoved them into the inner part of the prison called the dungeon.

"On the floor," he growled as he snapped heavy shackles around their ankles. Their bleeding backs hurt from the beating with rods. The floor was damp and cold. "Let's see what you learn about God here," the jailer mocked, as he slammed the door, locking it tightly.

The other prisoners whispered to each other. "What have these men done to deserve such a beating? Why were they put in the dungeon?"

At last Paul and Silas were alone. Silas groaned, "How could God let this happen? We were trying to serve Him by telling these people about the love of the Lord Jesus. What good can we do in prison?"

"God does all things well, Silas," Paul replied. "We shouldn't question what He does. We were obeying Him, and He will take care of us." The two men sat in the darkness, thinking about all God had done for them.

The tired jailer entered his home just outside the prison. "I suppose we will not get much rest tonight," he told his wife. "Those prisoners will scream and cry like they all do after a beating." But in the dungeon, the two men prayed silently.

Then Silas asked, "Paul, are you sure the Lord knows best?" "I'm sure," said Paul. "Just remember what He said in His Word," and he began to sing a hymn. Soon Silas joined in. They sang other songs that promised of God's comfort for His people.

The jailer sat up in bed. "Impossible! Those men are singing." He listened. "They're singing about their God. Their backs must be very sore by now, but they are singing!" The other prisoners listened, too. Those fools were actually praising God.

Suddenly, the ground began to rumble. An earthquake shook the prison and broke open the doors. The chains fell off every prisoner, freeing Paul and Silas as well. The jailer jumped from his bed. "The prisoners – they are escaping. I am as good as dead!" he cried. He grabbed his sword and ran into the darkness. He saw the open doors and held his sword up high. He knew it was better to kill himself than take the punishment for letting prisoners escape.

"Stop!" a voice cried out. "Don't hurt yourself. We're all here." The jailer lowered his sword. It was Paul, the singing prisoner, calling.

"Bring a light," shouted the jailer. His wife and family came running, torches in hand. The jailer knelt before Paul and Silas, very much afraid. "Sirs," he said, "what must I do to be saved?"

"Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you shall be saved. You and your household, too" they answered, looking at the jailer's family. That night the jailer and his family trusted in Jesus Christ to forgive their sins. They treated the wounds of Paul and Silas, and then they were baptized. They took Paul and Silas into their home, fed them. and rejoiced with them for all the good things God had done.

The next day the judge ordered that the two prisoners be secretly released. Paul would not have it, for they were Roman citizens and they were not to be beaten or thrown in prison without a trial. He demanded an apology! He got it before they happily left the city to visit the town of Lydia.

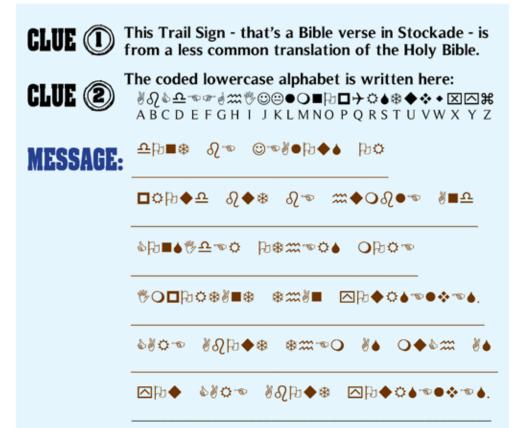
- Paul and Silas were on a missionary trip and they ended up being beaten and thrown into prison! Does God promise that living for Him will be easy? What does God promise?
- The earthquake broke the chains of all the prisoners, not just Paul and Silas. Did the other prisoners learn something from Paul and Silas during their time in the prison? Why didn't the rest run for freedom?
- The jailer asked, "What must I do to be saved?" What would you have told him?

# UNEXPERIED TRUTH

Often things don't appear as you expect. When the jailer saw the prison doors broken open, he believed that he had lost all his prisoners. He was ready to kill himself for his belief. It was only when Paul called out that he understood his belief was wrong.

Below is a Bible verse written in symbols that are different from our familiar alphabet, but the symbols don't change the truth of the verse. It's a truth that Paul and Silas were living in that prison.

Decode the verse, then figure out its reference: Acts 16:30-31, Ephesians 6:1-3, Philippians 2:3-4 or Galatians 6:10.





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The Trail Sign verse reference is:

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| Paul and Silas prayed, sang and praised God, even in the dark prison. Singing songs can help you through the darkest times. Do you ever sing praise songs to God? Write down their titles or first lines, then show them to your Ranger: |  |
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Using the space below draw Paul and Silas in prison, then show your Ranger.

Trail Signs Memorize these four Trail Signs. Learn the verses and their meaning.



Acts 16:30-31 "Then he brought them out and said, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" And they said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household."

Philippians 2:3-4 "Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others."

Ephesians 6:1-3 "Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. 'Honor your father and mother' (this is the first commandment with a promise), 'that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land."

Galatians 6:10 "So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith."

#### CKADE FOUNDATIONS:



The LOOKOUT watches for ways that he can help. In the Stockade, he is on the look out for danger, but he is always looking for ways that he can help others accomplish their goals, especially the Rangers. Being the LOOKOUT is a very important job.

#### The COURIER

is another helper. In the Stockade, he's the one who runs the reports from the LOOKOUT to the CHIEF RANGER, but he also helps the Rangers. He holds the Post Banner.



# MY 5 FAVORITE RIDDLES

One of the best ways to help someone is to get them to think for themselves. Consider this riddle:

> Give it and he will eat for a day. Teach it and he will eat for a lifetime. What is it?

The answer is "fish". You can help someone eat by giving them a fish, but you can help them far more by teaching them to fish - that is, to think for themselves. Riddles help you THINK.

Try this one thought up by Samson:

"Out of the eater came something to eat. Out of the strong came something sweet." What is it?

The answer is in Judges 14:5-20. Tell your Ranger.

Riddles are lots of fun, and there are lots of them.

"What word becomes shorter by adding two letters???" Give up? It's "short".

Find or make up five more riddles that you like. You can ask your family or friends if they know any, or you can look them up at the library or on the Internet.

## MY ACHIEVEMENT RECORD BLOCKHOUSE S

#### The following Achievements have been completed:

| Exploring God's Word Happy Prisoners Unexpected Truth Praising God         | Date Completed            | Initials          |
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| Stockade Foundations<br>Lookouts & Couriers                                | Date Completed            | Initials          |
| Trail Signs Acts 16:30-31 Philippians 2:3-4 Ephesians 6:1-3 Galatians 6:10 | Date Completed            | Initials          |
| Others and Me<br>My 5 Favorite Riddles                                     | Date Completed            | Initials          |
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complete your Achievements. Show your Ranger the Achievement page along with your work, and then talk with them about it. When satisfied, they will add their initials and mark down the date that the Achievement is finished.

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| Congratulations, these BLOCKHOUSE 5 Achievements are complete. | BONUS AWARD<br>Do a 2-Hour<br>At-the-House Project |   |
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