

Dorcas

Acts 9:36-43



In the seaside town of Joppa, Dorcas was always busy sewing coats to give to poor widows and their children.



She loved to take care of them, the way Jesus had done, showing God's love by being kind and helpful.



When Dorcas got sick and died, her friends remembered how much she had helped others and had believed in God's son Jesus.



Jesus's disciple and helper, Peter, had healed a sick man in the next town. Her friends went and asked Peter to come quickly and heal Dorcas too.



Peter went to Joppa and prayed for Dorcas, as Jesus had shown him. 'Father God you alone have power to bring Dorcas back to life.'



As Peter prayed, Dorcas opened her eyes and sat up. Peter thanked God for answering his prayer.



Everyone was happy to see Dorcas alive and well. It was a miracle and many began to follow Jesus and to help poor people.

Dorcas is Healed

Dorcas is a woman of great love and kindness. She lives in Joppa, where she makes clothes for the poor, takes care of the sick, and feeds the hungry. This big-hearted woman dies unexpectedly, and the townspeople are very sad.



They have heard that Peter is in the nearby city of Lydda, so they send someone to get him. He comes at once. The upper room where Dorcas lies is filled with mourners, who show Peter all the things Dorcas has done for them. Peter

listens quietly, and then asks the noisy group of friends to leave. He kneels beside Dorcas and prays.

Then he says, "Dorcas, it's time to get up." Immediately, Dorcas opens her eyes. Peter takes her by the hand and helps her stand up. He invites everyone back into the room to greet their beloved friend. They are so happy to see her alive! The word spreads throughout the country that Peter brought Dorcas back to life. Many people want to see and hear Peter because they now believe in God.



Tabitha True or False?

ACTS 9:36-42

Are the statements below TRUE or FALSE?
Read the story and color in the correct box.



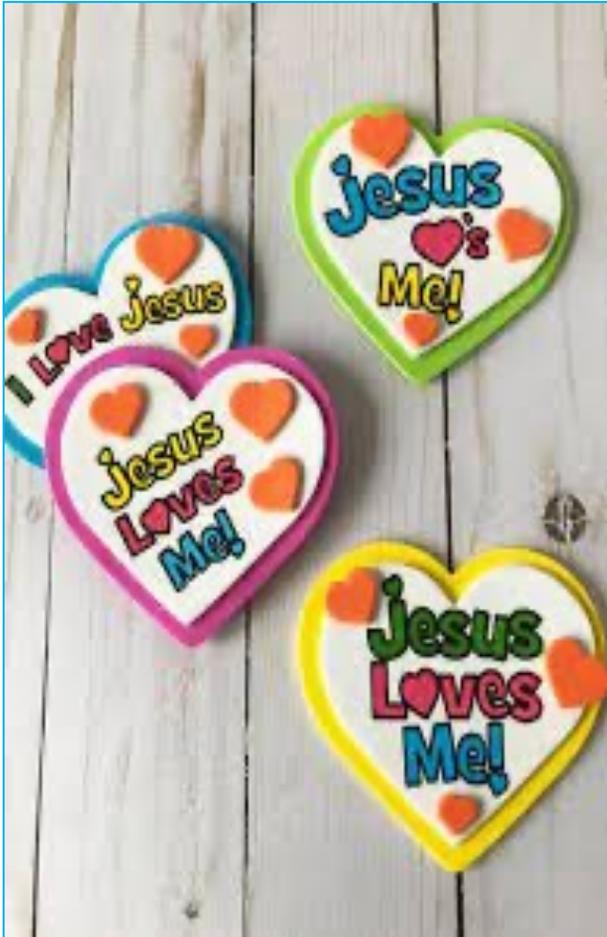
Tabitha's name can also translate to Dorcas.	TRUE	FALSE
Tabitha was known for being kind and for the beautiful robes she made.	TRUE	FALSE
Peter was in Joppa when Tabitha died.	TRUE	FALSE
The Lord told Peter to go to Joppa and heal Tabitha.	TRUE	FALSE
Peter said, "Tabitha, arise." And he healed her.	TRUE	FALSE

In Joppa there was a disciple named Tabitha (in Greek her name is Dorcas); she was always doing good and helping the poor.



Have A Go.....

Design a 'Jesus Loves Me'
Badge



I wonder who Jesus is? - and why we want to be like him?

Jesus Christ set a perfect example of kindness and love. Throughout His earthly ministry, Jesus showed His love for others by blessing and serving the poor, the sick, and the distressed.

The Holy Spirit prompting us to do good works. The Holy Spirit provides us the power, wisdom and skills to be able to carry the good works out, according to God's will. When we act on God's prompting not only do we bless others, we are blessed too!



Throughout her life, Dorcas made better the lives of the people around her. She saw that someone had to help and that things needed to be done, so she stepped up and served others. Look around. Who needs help? Find small ways and big ways to help others.



Dorcas helped God by making clothes and giving food to poor people.