

FOREFATHER AQUILA AND FOREMOTHER PRISCILLA

L/O: For our young kings and daughters to learn about our foremother Priscilla. To learn about the importance of having skills and talents to better oneself and the nation. BONUS: Forefather Aquilla the husband of Priscilla for our young prophets and a colouring sheet filled with different type of tents

TEACH:

Priscilla was the wife of a Jew named Aquila, Pontus. The married couples were tentmakers and were found by Paul and Paul abode with them.

Acts 18:1 - 3

- [1] After these things Paul departed from Athens, and came to Corinth;
- [2] And found a certain Jew named Aquila, born in Pontus, lately come from Italy, with his wife Priscilla; (because that Claudius had commanded all Jews to depart from Rome:) and came unto them.
- [3] And because he was of the same craft, he abode with them, and wrought: for by their occupation they were tentmakers.

TEACH:

Priscilla was the wife of Aquila, who was born in Italy. This did not mean that he was an Italian, it just meant he was an Israelite that was born in Italy. It is like today, we are all scattered abroad in many different countries.

1. What skills do you think are needed to make a tent?

TEACH:

Mathematics is needed, sewing, English, creativity, proactivity.

2. What does the word craft mean?

Definition: an activity involving skill in making things by hand.

3. What was the purpose of Aquila and Priscilla's tent-making business? Which special week are tents needed for?

TEACH:

Aquila and Priscilla stayed with Paul throughout Paul's time in Corinth and Syria; they received him well. Paul went to teach the Northern Kingdom about Christ, who were known as The Gentiles.

Ask your sons:

1. What skills do you think Paul needed at that time to teach the Northern Kingdom, who did not believe in Christ yet?
2. Can you remember a time where you tried to show something that you firmly believe in? Can you share what happened and the outcome?

Acts 18:18

[18] And Paul after this tarried there yet a good while, and then took his leave of the brethren, and sailed thence into Syr-i-a, and with him Pris-cil-la and A-quil-a; having shorn his head in Cen-chre-a: for he had a vow.

Questions:

1. What is a vow?

Vow: solemnly promise to do a specified thing.

(You can read Number 30 to give further understanding).

TEACH:

Priscilla was always with her husband to do business and also to do the good works of the LORD. When they were in a Synagogue they heard a man speak boldly and took the man unto them to show him more about the LORD.

Acts 18:24 - 26

[24] And a certain Jew named Apollos, born at Alexandria, an eloquent man, and mighty in the scriptures, came to Ephesus.

[25] This man was instructed in the way of the Lord; and being fervent in the spirit, he spake and taught diligently the things of the Lord, knowing only the baptism of John.

[26] And he began to speak boldly in the synagogue: whom when Aquila and Priscilla had heard, they took him unto them, and expounded unto him the way of God more perfectly.

Closing & Review:

As we have learned a man and his wife believed in Christ and followed Paul, they also shared the good news with a brother who knew in part.

Sarah

1. Can we serve the LORD and also have a craft of our own?
2. Should we put our craft before the LORD?
3. Which job/career/profession/craft do you wish to have?

End of Class