

# THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

## THE CLOSE OF THE COMMANDMENTS

### STORY

Her body bore the scars of slavery. She was whipped and beaten by her master when she was just a child. When she was twelve, her owner cracked her skull, and she nearly died. One night Harriet Tubman escaped, following the North Star to freedom. She returned to the South nineteen times, saving over three hundred people from human bondage.

Many times Harriet narrowly escaped, crossing a swollen river, lying in a swamp, burying herself in a potato field, and walking so many miles she literally wore the shoes off her feet. Deliverance always came. She prayed, knowing she had no friend but Jesus. When others showed surprise at her courage, she replied that it was not her work but the Lord's that got so many people to safety.

A dedicated Christian, Harriet was a Civil War soldier, nurse, and a spy for the Union Army. After the war, she started a home for elderly poor black people. Her tombstone reads, "Servant of God, Well Done."

Discuss one-on-one or in small groups the following questions.

1. Why do you think Harriet Tubman was called the "Moses of the South"? *She helped slaves find freedom in the North, their promised land.*
2. Why did Harriet risk her life to free others? *She trusted God to deliver her, and she knew how terrible slavery was.*
3. In what way does Harriet Tubman remind us of Jesus? *Jesus willingly gave His life to rescue us and all people from the slavery of sin.*