

## St. George



### St. George's Life Story:

St. George was born to Christian parents, in [Cappadocia](#). After his father died, his mother, who was originally from [Lydda](#), in [Syria Palestine](#), returned with George to her hometown. He went on to become a soldier for the [Roman army](#). Because of his excellent military skills, he has earned a high leader position in the army and was granted the Roman citizenship. When Emperor Diocletian has issued a creed that all christians must deny their [Christian](#) faith and worship the idols. St. George refused and declared his Christian faith, with no fear. He was arrested and tortured near Lydda and his persecution was prolonged to 7 years.

During these 7 years of persecution, he faced all types of torture, including drinking poison, whipping him on a daily basis, walking on sharp objects, depriving him from basic humanitarian needs and burning his body with extreme hot objects.

St. George was steadfast in his faith and refused to obey the Emperor's commands.

St. George was also seduced by a sinner woman, who in return, he has convinced her of Christian faith and she became a Christian believer.

After 7 years of torture, St. George was beheaded after the Lord Jesus appeared to him and told him that he will receive the crown of martyrdom, since he has witnessed to the Lord's faith and that his name will be exalted all over the world.

The Coptic Church celebrates that martyrdom feast of St. George on the 1st of May of every year.

His body was buried in [Lydda](#), where Christians soon came to honour him as a martyr.