



At-A-Glance: Ages 6-7  
Prophets & Promises Part 1: Acts - Revelation  
Unit 2, Lesson 6

## God Changes Saul's Heart

Lesson Aim: To know God can change our hearts.  
(Salvation Message)

### THE WELCOME

**MEET & GREET:** When is one time you changed your mind?

**GAME:** Bright Light Circle Tag

### THE WORSHIP THE SPIRIT WHO CHANGES US

Read Worship Scripture: Psalm 139:23-24.

Sing songs and worship God. Bless and collect the offering.

Perform Commander Cosmos script or read storybook.

### THE WORD GOD CHANGES SAUL'S HEART

Children sign note cards; place in Golden Bowl. Classroom Covenant.

Review: God led Philip to teach the Ethiopian about Jesus.

If a Bible Timeline is available, point out God Changes Saul's Heart. **Today's story is about a Jewish leader named Saul who did not believe Jesus was the Lord. He was on the road to Damascus to persecute Jesus' followers who were there.**

**To persecute someone is to treat them unfairly because of who they are or what they believe. He planned to take any believers he found in Damascus as prisoners to Jerusalem.** Point out Jerusalem, Israel and Damascus, Syria. Reveal Bible Story Scripture Acts 9:3-8, 15, 17-19. Pray. Read Acts 9:3-8. **In Damascus, the Lord sent a man named Ananias to go to Saul who was praying.** Read Acts 9:15, 17-19.

### THE WAY GOD CHANGES OUR HEARTS

**What did Saul see on the road to Damascus?** (A light from heaven.) **Whose voice did Saul hear?** (Jesus'.) **Jesus said, "Saul, why are you persecuting me?" That day, Saul learned he was wrong; Jesus was the Lord. He learned that when he was treating Jesus' followers badly, he was treating the Lord badly, too! How do you think Saul felt when he saw he had been treating the Lord badly?**

The light blinded Saul, so his friends led him to Damascus where he prayed. While Saul was praying, God sent Ananias so Saul could see again and be filled with the Holy Spirit. After Saul could see, he was baptized. Being baptized showed Saul now belonged to Jesus.

God changed Saul from a man that was hurting believers into a man who helped others believe in Jesus. God changes the heart of each person who believes and follows Jesus. Some of us feel changed right away; some do not. No matter how we feel, when we believe in Jesus as God's Son and the Lord of our life, He puts His Holy Spirit in our hearts to stay forever and our hearts are changed!

### CHRIST CONNECTION:

Over 600 years before God changed Saul's heart, the prophet Ezekiel told us about the Lord's promise to forgive us, wash our sins away, and give us a new heart. Close your eyes and imagine Jesus saying these words to you today. Reveal Ezekiel 36:25-27. Read.

**This promise is for anyone who believes in Jesus as their Lord and Savior. Anyone who believes in Jesus and wants to follow Him forever can pray to Him about that. In worship, some of you may have asked Jesus to come into your heart. If you have never said a prayer like that, and you want to now, raise your hand and I will lead you in a special prayer. If you are not ready, know that you can pray at any time. Jesus is always listening.** Lead prayer.

*Lord Jesus, I Admit I am a sinner.  
I Believe You are the Lord who died to take my sins away.  
Please Come into my heart and I'll follow You forever.  
In Jesus name, I pray. Amen.*

**THE GOLDEN BOWL:** Pray for individuals. Pray the Lord's Prayer.

### FINAL FIVE MINUTES:

- TREASURE TREAT: Bible Memory Verse Valentine
- DAILY WAY CHALLENGE
- OFFERING OF ART: Bright light from heaven on Saul as he hears Jesus
- PRAYER REQUESTS
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

### GOT TIME?

**SNACK:** Bright Light

**GAME:** Heart Exchange Relay

**CRAFT:** Light-Hearted Frame

**SALVATION DEMONSTRATION:** Cross Your Heart

**BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES:** Erase It, Then Say It; Balloon Toss

**BIBLE TIMELINE REVIEW**