



My Heart Is Changed

God Changes Saul's Heart
Acts 9:1-7

Granny B quietly sat by the stream reading her Bible. The morning sun was coming up, but it was still a little chilly. Granny B pulled a blanket tightly around her. She enjoyed reading her Bible in the early morning as the world was waking up. Granny B also enjoyed the quiet, but she knew that would change soon.

Sure enough, Granny B heard two voices getting louder and louder. She closed her Bible and looked up. Along came Delbert and Lello, out for a walk. As soon as they spotted Granny B, they ran over to give her a hug.

"Hello, my little ones," Granny B said sweetly.

"Haw! Hi, Granny B. Guess what? My Aunt Dora is visiting!" Delbert said.

"That is wonderful, Delbert. What have you been doing with her?" Granny B asked, as Delbert and Lello snuggled up next to her.

"Lots, but my favorite is when she tells me Bible stories," Delbert exclaimed.

"Wow! That's great," Granny B remarked.

"Delbert," Lello asked hopefully, "did your aunt tell you a story last night?"

"Haw! She sure did! Last night, Aunt Dora told me about a man named Saul. His heart did not believe in Jesus and he was behaving badly toward people who loved Jesus," Delbert shared with Lello and Granny B.

Lello frowned and said, "Baa. Oh dear, oh dear. What happened?"

Delbert continued, "God showed Saul a bright light. Saul heard the voice of Jesus, and he knew for the first time that Jesus was the Lord. God changed his heart to love Jesus."

"Very good, Delbert! Did you know that God can change our hearts, too?" Granny B added, as she scratched Delbert's back.

Lello's faced scrunched up. She was confused. "What does that mean? God can change our hearts."

Granny B thought and then carefully explained, "Just like Saul, our hearts want to do things our own way until God changes us. When God changes your heart, you believe in Jesus and you want to be more like Him."

Lello sighed. She was trying to understand. Finally she asked, "But how do you change your heart?"

Delbert was ready with an answer, "God does it for you, Lello!"

Granny B nodded in agreement. She explained to Lello that when you decide to give your life to Jesus, you are a new creation with a new heart.

Lello gasped, "A new creation with a new heart? But, I like being a lamb!"

Delbert smiled. "Haw! Lello, you will always be Lello the Lamb. The change is in the way your heart loves Jesus."

Lello looked relieved and smiled. "Oh, well, that sounds very nice. Did Saul start loving Jesus and doing things God's way?"

"Haw! He sure did! He told everyone about Jesus," Delbert explained.

"Wow! Delbert, I'd like to hear more about Saul. Do you think I could meet your Aunt Dora? Maybe she'll tell us some more stories," Lello said.

"Granny B," Delbert asked, "do you want to come meet my Aunt Dora?"

"I'd love to," Granny B replied. She stood up and placed her Bible in her apron pocket. The sun was high in the sky and the air was warming up. Delbert and Lello helped Granny B fold up her blanket. Then, together, the three friends walked toward the barn to find Delbert's aunt.