

At-A-Glance: Ages 4-5 Prophets & Promises Part 1: Acts - Revelation Unit 2, Lesson 6

God Changes Saul's Heart

Lesson Aim: To know God can change our hearts to want to be more like Jesus.

THE WELCOME

TREASURE CHEST

WHISPER VERSE AND SIGN LANGUAGE: "My heart is changed."

THE WORSHIP THE SPIRIT WHO CHANGES US

Sing Bible Memory Verse and other related songs.

It's Praise Time-our time to sing praise to Jesus. The Holy Spirit changes our hearts to want to be more like Jesus. That reminds me of today's Whisper Verse. Let's try it together. Review Whisper Verse together: "My heart is changed." Include sign language.

Today, we will hear a story about a man named Saul. Saul did not believe Jesus was the Lord, so God showed Saul a bright light to show him the truth about Jesus. God changed Saul's heart to want to be more like Jesus. Later, Saul said if anyone belongs to Jesus Christ, he or she is "a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!" Let's praise the Lord by singing those words in our new Bible Memory Verse Song. Sing: "A New Creation."

As we give our offering, let's ask God to change our hearts to be more like Jesus. Sing: "Change My Heart, O God" or "He Is Mighty to Save" while collecting the offering.

OFFERING: Collect the offering.

WORSHIP ILLUSTRATION: *The Adventures of Delbert & Lello* puppet script or storybook

God changes our hearts because He loves us so much. God will always love each one of you. Sing: "How Wide?"

<u>THE WORD</u> JESUS SPOKE TO SAUL FROM HEAVEN CLASSROOM PROMISE

Last time, we learned Philip told the man from Africa about Jesus. Today, we will see how God changed Saul's heart. Handle Bible as a special treasure, leaving it open to Acts 9:3.

WATCH THE WORD: ACTS 9:1-7

Read poem. Display visual.

- > Some men were traveling down the road,
- > The leader was a man named Saul.
- He put followers of Jesus in jail,
- > For he did not like Jesus at all.
- > Then a bright light shone down from heaven.
- > And Saul fell down to the ground.
- > He heard Jesus calling, "Saul!
- Get up and follow Me now!"
- > Then Saul knew he had been wrong,
- > For God had changed his heart.
- Saul wanted to be more like Jesus,
- > So God gave him a brand new start.

What did Saul see shine down from heaven? (A bright light.) Let's find our answer in the Bible. Read Acts 9:3 from the teacher's Bible.

What did God do to Saul's heart? (He changed Saul's heart.) Do you think God can change our hearts, too? (Yes.) We can celebrate by saying our Whisper Verse, "My heart is changed." Let's try it together now. Include sign language or hand motions.

THE WAY GOD CAN CHANGE OUR HEARTS TO WANT TO BE MORE LIKE JESUS

CRAFT: Light-Hearted Frame GAMES: Saul in the Light, Change My Heart SNACK: Changed Hearts CIRCLE OF PRAYER FINAL FIVE MINUTES

- COMPLETED CRAFT
- PONDER, PRAY & PLAY
- COLOR THIS STORY

GOT TIME?

SAY & DO: Acts 9:1-7 BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: New Hearts, "New Heart" Memory Pass STORY TIME