



# Saul Escapes from Damascus

Acts 9:19b-25, 28

**Suggested setting:** The Prophets & Promises puppet scripts adapt to any setting such as a garden, forest, farm, or stable. Once or twice a year, a set change or addition to the set is recommended for added interest. Decorate with colorful flowers, butterflies, birds, and ladybugs. Puppets can pop out from behind a window, hedge, tree hollow, stonewall, etc. For a simple, portable puppet stage, puppets can pop up from behind a colorful blanket hung on a rod or from behind a card table turned on its side. Adjust setting and puppet names according to available puppeteers and resources.

**Characters:** Delbert the Donkey and Lello the Lamb are good friends who are always excited to learn more about Jesus and the Bible. The leader is the children's teacher or worship leader dressed in regular clothing or in costume consistent with the set (a gardener, a farmer, etc.) The leader helps children focus on the puppets and leads group interaction.

**Props:** Basket

**Leader** (Stands at puppet stage.)  
**It's time to call for Delbert and Lello.**  
**Repeat after me, "Dehhhhhl-bert Dehhhhhl-bert!"** (Children repeat and Delbert the Donkey pops head out of window.) **"Hellohhhhhhhhhh Lello!"** (Children repeat and Lello the Lamb pops head out of window.)

**Delbert** (Delbert pops up with a basket on his head.) **Hee Haw! Hello, everybody!**

**Lello** (bleats)

**Yeah. Hello, every-bahhh-dy.**

**Leader**

**Delbert? Why is there a basket on your head?**

**Delbert**

**Haw! Lello and I made up a game.**

**Lello**

**Yeah. We are taking turns being Saul.**

**Leader**

**Oh, I see. Like when Saul escaped in a basket!**

**Delbert**

**That's just it! Last night Aunt Dora told me how Saul's new friends helped him escape over the city wall.**

**Lello**

**But why did Saul have to escape?**

**Delbert**

**Some people didn't want to hear about Jesus. They wanted to stop Saul from telling everyone about Him.**

**Leader**

**That's right. So one night, his new friends lowered him over the city wall in a basket so he could go tell others about Jesus.**

**Delbert**

Haw! Aunt Dora said it's important to keep telling others about Jesus.

**Leader**

We'll see you soon.

(All exit.)

**Leader**

She is absolutely right.

**Lello**

Why should we keep telling them?

**Leader**

God wants us to share what we know about Jesus with everyone.

**Lello**

Why?

**Delbert**

So they can know Jesus and love Him like we do.

**Lello** (nervously)

Oh! I want to tell others about Jesus, too! But ... what do I say?

**Leader**

You can start by telling them Jesus loves them very much.

**Lello**

Yeah! And I can tell them how God changed Saul's heart, too. I want to go tell others right now!

**Delbert**

Haw! I have an idea. Let's take a walk and tell everyone we see along the way about Jesus.

**Lello**

Yeah. That sounds great. Bah-bye every-bahhh-dy!

**Delbert**

Haw! Maybe they'll want to play our "Saul in a Basket" game, too. Let's go! See you guys later! (braying)