



At-A-Glance: Ages 4-5
Prophets & Promises Part 1: Acts - Revelation
Unit 2, Lesson 7

Saul Escapes from Damascus

Lesson Aim: To keep telling others about Jesus.

THE WELCOME TREASURE CHEST

WHISPER VERSE AND SIGN LANGUAGE: "Keep telling them."

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 the Holy Spirit who changes us. He changes us when we learn all about Jesus. One great way to praise Him is to keep telling everyone about Jesus. That reminds me of today's Whisper Verse. Let's try it together.
Review Whisper Verse together: "Keep telling them." Include sign language.

Another way we can praise God is to give our offering. Sing: "Let Everything That Has Breath" while collecting the offering.

OFFERING: Collect the offering.

What is the good news about Jesus that we can keep telling everyone? (Jesus loves them.) Sing: "Jesus Loves Me" or "How Wide?"

We can also keep telling them that when we belong to Jesus, He gives us a brand new start. Sing: "A New Creation."

Today, we will hear a story about Saul's new start with his new friends in a city called Damascus. He told people there about Jesus. Saul needed to escape from Damascus so he could keep telling people about Jesus. Saul's friends hid Saul in a big basket to help him escape.

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

God helped Saul be brave and strong to keep telling others about Jesus. God helped Saul's friends be brave and strong to help Saul escape in the big basket. God will help us be brave and strong, too.
Sing: "I Can Do Everything."

THE WORD SAUL ESCAPES IN A BASKET CLASSROOM PROMISE

Last time, we learned God changed Saul's heart. Today, we will see how God kept Saul safe so he could keep telling others about Jesus. Handle Bible as a special treasure, leaving it open to Acts 9:25.

WATCH THE WORD: ACTS 9:19B-25, 28

Read poem. Display visual.

- After Jesus changed Saul's heart,
- Saul kept telling everyone.
- He told them Jesus loved them,
- And that Jesus is God's Son.

- Some didn't want to follow Jesus;
- They made an evil plan to stop Saul.
- To escape, friends hid him in a basket,
- And lowered him through a window in the wall!

- Then Saul climbed out of the basket,
- And he went to Jerusalem.
- Saul told people there about Jesus.
- He kept telling them to follow Him.

Did Saul keep telling people about Jesus? (Yes.) What can we do to be like Saul? Our Whisper Verse tells us the answer. Let's say it together: "Keep telling them." Include sign language or hand motions.

What did Saul's friends use to help him escape? (A basket.) Let's find our answer in the Bible. Read Acts 9:25 from the teacher's Bible.

THE WAY WE CAN KEEP TELLING THEM ABOUT JESUS

CRAFT: Basket from Damascus

GAMES: Hide and Speak, Saul Escapes in a Basket

SNACK: Snack from a Basket

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

FINAL FIVE MINUTES

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

GOT TIME?

SAY & DO: Acts 9:19b-25, 28

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: New Hearts, "New Heart" Memory Pass

STORY TIME