

In God's Big Story

Jesus confronts Saul on the road to Damascus and miraculously changes him from an enemy of Christianity into a Christ-follower through the Holy Spirit's transforming power.

Wonder Truth: The Holy Spirit Changes Us

Scripture: Acts 9



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PAUL'S CONVERSION

ELEMENTARY VIDEO
EARLY CHILDHOOD VIDEO

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WONDER ABOUT IT!

- What is one thing you're curious about from this week's part of God's big story?
- How can you live differently or respond to God with what you're learning?

WORD OF WONDER



Work together this week on memorizing this verse!

ELEMENTARY:

Don't live the way this world lives. Let your way of thinking be completely changed. Then you will be able to test what God wants for you. And you will agree that what he wants is right. His plan is good and pleasing and perfect.

—Romans 12:2 (NIrV)

EARLY CHILDHOOD:

Don't copy the ways of the world. Let God transform you.

—from Romans 12:2

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Families, use this to prompt conversations at the table, in the car, and anywhere else your family experiences life together.

- Jesus met Paul in a miraculous way on the road to Damascus. How has Jesus met you in a special way?
- How has the Holy Spirit started to change the way you think, speak, or act?
- How would you like the Holy Spirit to help change you in the future?
- What's one thing we can pray for the Holy Spirit to help us with today?





When Paul told King Agrippa of his encounter with Jesus, he mentioned the light was "brighter than the sun" (Acts 26:13). While light changes our experience in a room, the Holy Spirit can completely change us!

Lead your child in performing a flashlight activity to remember the bright light Paul saw when Jesus met him on the road to Damascus. First, have your child shine a bright flashlight in a dark room and discuss how the flashlight lights up everything. Next, have your child shine a bright flashlight in a well-lighted room. Then discuss how the flashlight doesn't have as much of an effect in a room that's already full of light.





missionary on the move:

In this activity, your family has the opportunity to look up information on Paul's three missionary journeys. Through the use of online maps of Acts 13–21, you can identify the cities and regions of the Roman Empire that Paul visited. (Hint: You can access maps online by entering key phrases like "Paul's first missionary journey," "Paul's second missionary journey," and so on in a search engine.)

Consider creating a contest by asking your child to locate as many cities as possible where Paul planted and/or ministered to churches based on the accounts in Acts 13–21. Some helpful passages to look up: Acts 13–14 (first journey), Acts 15:36–18:22 (second journey), Acts 18:23–20:38 (third journey).

Another challenge could be matching the cities in each journey to the Biblical references in Acts that describes Paul's visit there. Discuss how God's Spirit changed Paul from an enemy of Christianity to a Jesus-follower who changed the world and how the Spirit is still changing us today!

