



# JUNE 2020 • Week 2

## K-3 Parent Guide

### BIBLE STORY

Paul Becomes a  
Believer  
*Acts 9:1-9*

### MEMORY VERSE

*Faith is being sure of  
what we hope for. It  
is being sure of what  
we do not see.*  
Hebrews 11:1 (NIV)

### LIFE APP

**Faith**  
Trusting in what you  
can't see because of  
what you can see

### BOTTOM LINE

Knowing Jesus changes  
the way you see  
everything.

### BASIC TRUTH

I can trust God no matter  
what.

## Activity: FLIP THAT SCRIPT!

#### WHAT YOU NEED:

5-8 paper plates for each person (or cut out large circles from sheets of paper), markers, a spatula (or spatula-like kitchen utensil) for each person

#### WHAT YOU DO:

On one side of the paper plates, draw a frowny face, using a red marker. On the other side, draw a smiley face, using a green marker. Talk about some difficult situations that might seem all bad if you look at them one way . . . but with God's help, you could see them differently. (For example, a favorite summer camp got cancelled, but God gave you a chance to have some quality time as a family. Or a family member is sick, but it has made you feel close as a family—and close to God—to go through that difficult time together.) Write a brief description of one difficult situation on the frowny-face side of each paper plate. On the smiley-face side of the plate, describe how you could view the situation in a different way. (Instead of writing, younger kids could do a quick drawing of each situation.)

Scatter all of the paper plates around the room, with the frowny-face side up. Make sure everyone has their spatula in hand. Call out, "On your mark; get set; GO!" and let everyone race to flip over as many paper plates as possible. The person who gets the most wins! Play a few times to see who can win the most rounds. Or take turns being the one to flip ALL of the plates over and use a timer to see who can do it the fastest.

#### WHAT YOU SAY:

"Today we learned that **[Bottom Line]** knowing Jesus changes the way you see everything. Everyone has problems sometimes. People can hurt our feelings, people can get sick, and things can happen that are confusing or even sad.

"But because God loves us so much, He brings good things from even the most difficult situations. God showed us how much He loves us when He sent His Son, Jesus, to die on the cross and make a way for us to have a friendship with Him. And when you know how much Jesus loves you, you can see things differently.

"So, remember, **[Bottom Line]** knowing Jesus changes the way you see everything."

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## Gospel Moment

Everything changed for Saul when he met Jesus on the road to Damascus. It's really true that God can change the way we see Him—and the way we see the world around us, too. God helped Saul see the truth in a pretty dramatic way. God opens our eyes, too, in lots of different ways. **Knowing Jesus changes the way you see everything.**

If you think about it, God has been helping people see Him all throughout His Story. From the very beginning, He's been helping people see the world in a new way. A way that will allow them to **make the wise choice**. A way that will help them **treat others the way they want to be treated**. He's been helping people understand who He is, and what His purpose for their life might be.

Sometimes God can speak to you through something that you experience—like when you spend time in nature and see what a beautiful world He made. Or you listen to a song that reminds you how much He loves you. Sometimes, when you go through something really tough in life, you realize how important it is that God is always with You. You might even see how God can use something that seems bad to do something you never expected. Or, maybe something really great happens, and you're just so happy and excited, but most of all, you're grateful to God!

Let's look for ways that we can keep FOCUS-ing on Jesus. Let's take a closer look and see how we can discover NEW things about Him every day!

## Discussion Questions

1. Today's story is about Saul. What's the other name he's more famously known by? (Paul)
2. What was Saul known for before He met Jesus? (trying to stop people from believing in Jesus)
3. What happened while Saul was on the road traveling to Damascus? (A light blinded him and he heard the voice of Jesus)
4. What changed about Saul after he was blinded? (He started following Jesus and telling others about Him)
5. Because God loves us so much, He helps bring good things out of bad situations. How did He bring something good out of Jesus dying on the cross? (Because Jesus died and rose again, He made a way for us to be friends with God)

## Prayer

Dear God, it's amazing how You changed the way Saul saw everything and everyone around him. We know that You can change the way WE see the world, too. When we don't understand why things are happening the way they are, help us to trust You. Help us to remember that You can bring good things out of bad situations. Thank You for ALWAYS being there for us. We love You. In Jesus' name, amen.