

UNIT 2
SESSION 4

Saul Encountered Jesus

UNIT VERSE

For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.

ROMANS 1:16 (ESV)

BRIGHT LIGHT
WORD SEARCH

Find the words below in the word search and circle them.

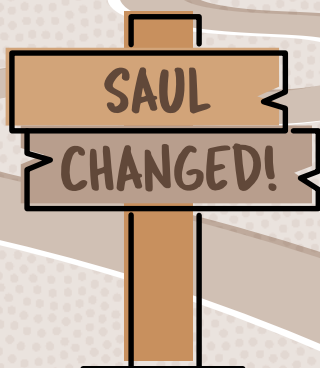
WORD BANK

- Saul
- Damascus
- Light
- Blinded
- Voice
- Jesus
- Ananias
- Baptized
- Changed
- Basket

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TO THINK ABOUT

Read 2 Corinthians 5:17.
 What happens when people trust Jesus as Savior?



Name one way Saul changed after he trusted in Jesus as his Savior.

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Can you think of other ways?

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CONVERSATION

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ACTS 9:1-25

Saul threatened to arrest and kill followers of Jesus. Saul asked the high priest for permission to arrest followers of Jesus.

As Saul was traveling on the road to Damascus, a very bright light from heaven flashed all around him. Saul fell to the ground. He heard a voice calling to him. "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting (punishing) me?"

Saul asked, "Who are You, Lord?" The voice answered, "I am Jesus, the One you are hurting." Jesus told Saul to get up and go into the city and that he would soon be told what to do.

Men traveling with Saul were speechless. They heard the sound, but didn't see anyone. Saul could not see. The men led Saul into the city. For three days Saul was blind, and he did not eat or drink.

In Damascus, the Lord told Ananias to find Saul. Saul had seen a vision of Ananias placing his hands on Saul so he could see. Ananias knew Saul wanted to harm Christians. The Lord told Ananias that He chose Saul to tell the news about Jesus to Gentiles, kings, and Israelites.

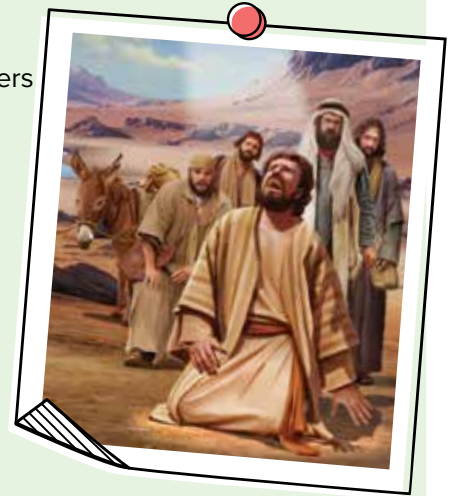
Ananias obeyed and went to place his hands on Saul. Ananias told Saul that Jesus sent him to Saul so that he could see again and be filled with the Holy Spirit. Immediately, something like scales fell from Saul's eyes. He could see again!

Saul was baptized. Right away, Saul began to preach about Jesus in the synagogues (buildings where Jews met to worship, pray, and learn about God). People who heard Saul couldn't believe it. "Wasn't this the man who caused trouble for those who followed Jesus?" the people said.

After many days, the Jews planned to kill Saul. But he heard of their plan. The Jewish leaders watched the gate day and night waiting for Saul. But Saul's disciples helped him escape. At night, they lowered Saul in a large basket through an opening in the wall.

WEEKLY BIBLE VERSE: 2 Corinthians 5:17

LIFE POINT: People change when they trust Jesus as Savior.



THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE

In today's Bible story your child heard about Saul. Saul met Jesus on a Damascus road and his life dramatically changed. Saul, also known as Paul, spent the rest of his life sharing the gospel.

LIVE IT OUT

Talk about how much Saul changed after his encounter with Jesus. If your child is a Christian, ask him to examine his life and take note of the changes. Also, pray together that your child will continue to grow in his faith and love for Jesus.

LEVEL OF BIBLICAL LEARNING

God helps people to do His work in their communities and world.

DAILY BIBLE READING

Sunday: 2 Corinthians 5:17

Monday: Ephesians 4:14

Tuesday: 1 Corinthians 11:1

Wednesday: Romans 12:2

Thursday: 2 Timothy 3:15

Friday: 2 Corinthians 3:18

Saturday: Luke 8:15

TAKE IT FURTHER: Check out *Saul Encountered Jesus* in Bible Studies for Life: LifeWay Kids App.