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BIBLE STORYLINE

Saul Meets Jesus

PursueGODkids.org**Slide: Welcome***(Start kid's countdown once all classes are present.)*

Hey kids! Welcome to Kid's Church. I'm so glad you could be here today.

Slide: Series Intro

Let's get started by answering some questions! Raise your hand if you've ever seen someone being bullied at recess. (allow kids to answer). What happened? (allow kids to share) Those are not nice things to do. Why do you think kids are mean sometimes? (allow kids to answer). Those are some good thoughts. What should you do if you see someone being bullied? (allow kids to answer). Yes, those are all great ideas. It's important to stand up for kids that are being bullied and tell your teacher.

Well, in today's lesson we are going to learn about a guy named Saul. Saul was a smart guy but was a total know it all. And, he was really mean to people who loved and followed Jesus. Well, Jesus didn't like how Saul was treating his followers so he did something about it.

We'll talk about that some more in a few minutes. But first, let's stand and sing a song together.

Song*He Is the Light*

Good job! I think God loves hearing all your voices praising him! Now let's say our Big Idea together.

Slide: Big Idea*All together:*

If Jesus can change Saul, he can change anyone. (Repeat)

Video*Play lesson video.***Slide: Recap**

So, what did we learn from the video today? Let's review...

- What did Saul do to followers of Jesus? (arrested, hurt, and killed them)

- What happened to Saul when he met Jesus on the road? (blind for 3 days)
- True or False: If Jesus can change Saul then he can change the meanest person you know. (T)

Jesus has the power to change anyone's heart. Think of the meanest person you've ever met. Do you think Jesus can change their heart? You might not think so, but he definitely can! No matter what a person has done, they're not out of God's reach. All anyone has to do to be right with God is to accept Jesus into their heart. And then the Bible says that God will give them a new heart that wants to honor him. That's what happened with Saul.

That reminds me of our memory verse. Let's all stand and say it together.

Slide: Memory Verse

"But I was given mercy so that in me (hands over heart), the worst of all sinners (thumbs down), Christ Jesus could show (hand above eyes, looking out) that he has patience without limit (arms in "X")." 1 Timothy 1:16 NCV (*Repeat*)

Saul, later called Paul, wrote this verse many years after he met Jesus for the first time. Saul understood that Jesus had totally changed his heart. He used to be a terrible person. Before Saul met Jesus, he thought knowing the Jewish law was what made him worthy to have a relationship with God. So, he got angry when he heard people talking about having a relationship with God through some guy named Jesus. He didn't understand that Jesus is God! So, one day, Jesus showed up to Saul when he was walking down the road. Saul was consumed by a bright light and he heard Jesus speaking to him! And, just to make sure that Saul understood how powerful Jesus was, he made him blind for 3 days and then healed him. From that day on, Saul knew who Jesus was and he followed him for the rest of his life.

So kids, learn from Saul's story. Even the meanest kid you know can meet Jesus and be changed.

Now let's all stand and sing one last song together.

Song

Learning to Be the Light

Okay, let's all say the Big Idea together one last time!

Slide: Big Idea

If Jesus can change Saul, he can change anyone. (*Repeat*)

Slide: Let's Pray

Pray and dismiss.