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### *Bible Study:*



This week's lesson will focus on Saul's conversion on the road to Damascus. There, Jesus came to him in power and in Spirit. Saul was blinded then later regained his sight, which is a powerful metaphor of his spiritual condition before and after meeting Jesus. God's work in Saul prior to his salvation should not be overlooked, however, because God had made Saul to be fervent about the Lord, which after his conversion became fervency about the Good News of Jesus. In fact, when Jesus opened Saul's eyes to see that Jesus IS Lord, Saul experienced understanding and transformation that ALL God-fearing Jews should have experienced!

### *The gospel in the story:*



Paul's conversion story is a massive picture of God's grace in that while Saul was yet a sinner, completely wrapped up in his mission, Jesus died for Him. And then pursued him. And then showed His love for Saul, giving him a new birth, and a new life! That is the same story we have experienced, and desire for our family, friends, co-workers, neighbors and the whole world!

### *Application:*

#### *Head:* **What did we learn?**

Q: Why didn't Saul like Christians? A: He thought they were against God.

Q: How did Jesus change Saul's mind? A: He met him on the road to Damascus.

Q: What did Jesus say to Saul? A: Why do you persecute me?

Q: What happened to Saul after he met Jesus? A: He preached the Good News of Jesus for the rest of his life

#### *Heart:* **Memory verse**

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#### *Hands:* **How does this affect the way I live?**

Saul was saved by Grace, and empowered by the Holy Spirit. And he spent the rest of his life doing what is most important – being a witness to Jesus' redeeming love!