



CONVERSATION GUIDE

WEEK 3

BOTTOM LINE: Following Jesus changes how you think, how you love, and how you view the world.

MATERIALS NEEDED:

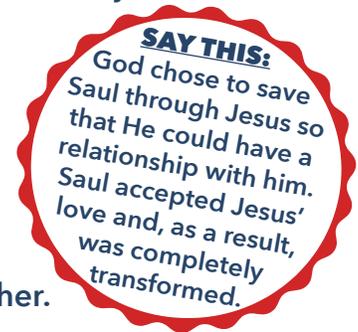
- ★ "Heart Check" cards (provided)



HEAR from God through His Word.

DO THIS: Read through Saul's transformation story in Acts 9 while some of your students act out the scene.

- ★ Tell your students to open their Bibles to Acts 9:1-22.
- ★ Assign the following roles to some of your students to act out as you read: **SAUL, JESUS, SAUL'S COMPANIONS (2 OR 3), ANANIAS.**
- ★ **ASK:** *What was does this passage say Saul was like before his encounter with Jesus?*
- ★ **ASK:** *What was different about Saul after he became a follower of Jesus?*

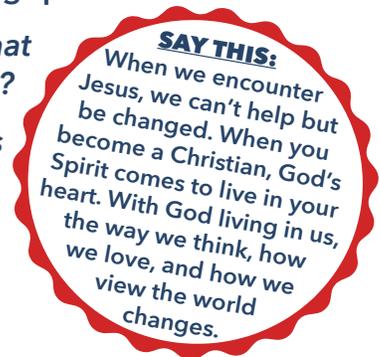


DO THIS: Have your group read Acts 9:17-20 again out loud together.

TALK to others about our faith.

DO THIS: Lead your students in a conversation around the following questions.

- ★ **ASK:** *Talk about someone you know who follows Jesus. What makes them different? How do you know they follow Jesus?*
- ★ **ASK:** *If you are a follower of Jesus, what are some things that are different about you compared to someone who doesn't follow Jesus?*



DO THIS: Give each student a "Heart Check" card. Tell them to take a couple minutes to fill it out to the best of their ability.

- ★ Ask if anyone feels comfortable sharing with the group about how they scored themselves on any of the points.
- ★ Remind them that no one is perfect. Only Jesus scores perfect 5's across the board. The purpose of this is to show us where we can strive to be more like Jesus.



PRAY by talking to God.

DO THIS: Lead your students in a time of prayer. Play a worship song on your computer or phone during this time (*song suggestions: "New Thing" by Hillsong Young & Free, "Who You Say I Am" by Hillsong Worship, "No Longer Slaves" by Bethel Worship*).

- ★ Tell your students to pray about the "Heart Check" card they just filled out using the C.H.A.T. prayer method. Read the four prompts below and give your students 30 seconds to pray through each.

C - CONFESS: Ask Jesus to forgive you for the times you chose something different than Him.

H - HONOR: Tell Jesus all the reasons He is awesome and all the ways that you want to be more like Him.

A - ASK: Ask Jesus to help you become more like Him by giving you opportunities to be kind, generous and love others the way He does.

T - THANKS: Tell Jesus thank you for the ways He has and is continuing to transform you and for all the ways He blesses you every day.

LIVE in a way that honors God.

DO THIS: Have each of your students come up with an idea for how they can live out how Jesus has transformed them this week (i.e. a serving project, showing kindness to someone, being generous, sharing their faith with someone, etc.)

- ★ Have each student share with the group what they plan on doing this week and tell them to report back next week.
- ★ Write down what each of your students plan on doing and follow up with them throughout the week.

★ MEMORY VERSE ★

"Saul's preaching became more and more powerful, and the Jews in Damascus couldn't refute his proofs that Jesus was indeed the Messiah."

ACTS 9:22

