PRE-K

April 15, 2018

Bible Focus: People can change when they know Jesus.

Saul to Paul • Acts 9:1-20; 13:9

Memory Verse: "Go and make disciples of all nations." Matthew 28:19, NIV

Key Question: Who can tell others about Jesus?

Bottom Line: I can tell others about Jesus.

Basic Truth: Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

Make It True (Large Group, 20 minutes)

Historyteller Greets children at the door as music plays.

CG: Welcome Slide ("Every Day")

Stop music once all classes are in and on a line.

Worship

What You Need: Paperclip "Memory Verse Card" in your Bible at Matthew 28:19."

HISTORYTELLER: "Yay! I'm so glad to see you today! It's so much fun to sing with you. It's so fun to tell everyone the BIG NEWS together with you. Now tell me: Who can tell others about Jesus?"

CG: Bottom Line Slide

CHILDREN and HISTORYTELLER: [Bottom Line] "I can tell others about Jesus."

HISTORYTELLER: "Yes, you can! We need to spread the big news everywhere! We need everyone to know that Jesus is alive! Let's sing this month's song.

SFX: "Jesus Is Alive"

"Great singing, my friends. I love singing about the BIG NEWS. Remember, [Bottom Line] I can tell others about Jesus. Who can tell others about Jesus?"

CG: Bottom Line Slide

CHILDREN and HISTORYTELLER: [Bottom Line] "I can tell others about Jesus."

HISTORYTELLER: "Exactly. **[Bottom Line]** I can tell others about Jesus. It's time to practice our memory verse. Are you ready?

CG: Memory Verse Slide

"Go (run in place) and make (pound fist into palm) disciples (hold the hand of the friend next to you) of all nations" (extend arms over your head in a circle), Matthew 28:19. (Open your hands like a book.) Do that with me."

CHILDREN and HISTORYTELLER: "Go (run in place) and make (pound fist into palm) disciples (hold the hand of the friend next to you) of all nations" (extend arms over your head in a circle), Matthew 28:19." (Open your hands like a book.) (Repeat several times.)

HISTORYTELLER: "You are all AMAZING at that verse! Have you shown your parents yet? How about your brother and sister? How about all your good friends? Make sure you show them today! Are you ready to sing another song with me? (*Pause.*) You are? Let's sing our song about how Jesus wants to be our friend forever.

SFX: "Friend Forever"

"Way to go, friends. Great singing. Now remind me: **Who can tell others about Jesus?"**

CG: Bottom Line Slide

CHILDREN and HISTORYTELLER: [Bottom Line] "I can tell others about Jesus."

HISTORYTELLER: "Yes! Now, have a seat so we can take a peek into the Clubhouse and see what our friends are up do."

Introductory Sketch

CG: Intro Sketch Video

Bible History Lesson

What You Need: A Bible, 2 biblical robes, a flashlight, a megaphone, a box to hold all of the props, and 2 volunteers to play Saul and Ananias

HISTORYTELLER: (Set the box of props on the table.) "If you can hear me, say, 'HEY!"

CHILDREN: "HEY!"

HISTORYTELLER: "Yeah, you're with me! I'm so glad you're listening, because today I have a super amazing, Truth to tell you from my favorite book: the BIBLE! (Hold up Bible.) The Bible is God's Word to us. How awesome is that?

"All month long, we've been talking about some BIG NEWS!" (cup hands to mouth)

CG: Jesus is ALIVE Flashing Slide

"Jesus is alive! We can tell lots and lots of people this (*cup hands to mouth*) BIG NEWS! And telling some people this (*cup hands to mouth*) BIG NEWS is easy—people like your grandma, or your best friend, or the nice mail carrier who brings you the mail. They'd probably love to hear this (*cup hands to mouth*) BIG NEWS that Jesus is alive.

"But there are some people who are hard to tell. Let me show you what I mean. Will my two volunteers come on out here, please?

(Pause as preselected volunteers come onstage.)

"Thanks for helping me out, guys. Please just put these on for me. (Hand the volunteers the robes.) So this is my friend Saul from the Bible. (Pull one of the volunteers forward to stand at the edge of the stage.)

"Now, Saul did NOT believe the—do it with me (cup hands to mouth)—"

CG: Big News Flashing Slide

"...BIG NEWS about Jesus. The Bible tells us that he even tried to hurt anyone who believed that Jesus is alive. Go ahead and make a mean face for us, Saul. (Pause.) Yeah, Saul wasn't very nice to people who believed our (cup hands to mouth) BIG NEWS!

(Grab the flashlight and walk over the other side of the stage from Saul.)

"One day, Saul was walking down the road. (To the "Saul" volunteer.) Go ahead, Saul, and walk down the road toward me. (Pause.) Great. Suddenly, on the road, there was a BIG light.

(Turn on the flashlight and shine it toward Saul.)

"Well, the light was a little brighter than this. Saul dropped to his knees because the light was SO bright. And then Saul heard JESUS talking to him. Saul asked, 'Who are you?'

"And Jesus answered, 'I am Jesus. Now get up and go into the city and you will be told what to do.'

"But when Saul got up, he was blind! He could not see anything. (Walk over and guide Saul toward the other volunteer.) But Saul did what Jesus said and went to the city to wait for three days. Count them with me."

CG: 1, 2, 3, Counting Slide

CHILDREN and HISTORYTELLER: "One, two, three!"

(Point to the other volunteer) "Now this is Ananias. God sent him to help Saul. Ananias loved Jesus, so he did what God asked. Ananias touched Saul's eyes. (To the volunteer) Go ahead, Ananias. He touched Saul's eyes, and right away, Saul could see again! Then Saul believed that Jesus is God's Son and that He IS alive!

"Saul realized that this was really (cup hands to mouth) BIG NEWS!

CG: Big News Flashing Slide

(Hand Saul the megaphone.)

"Saul completely changed when he learned about Jesus! In fact, Saul became the man we know as Paul. And he spent the rest of his life traveling all over, telling people that..."

CG: Jesus is ALIVE flashing slide

"...Jesus is alive and that He wants to be their friend forever. (To the Saul volunteer) Saul, go ahead and hold up that megaphone like you're sharing this BIG NEWS! Jesus is alive!

"Let's give our AWESOME volunteers a big hand today. (Clap.) Thanks for helping me today!"

(Take the robes and megaphone from the volunteers and send them back to their seats.)

HISTORYTELLER: "So tell me: Who can tell others about Jesus?"

CG: Bottom Line Slide

CHILDREN and HISTORYTELLER: [Bottom Line] "I can tell others about Jesus."

HISTORYTELLER: "That's exactly right. We can share this *(cup hands to mouth)* BIG NEWS with everyone. Because people can change when they learn about Jesus. *[Bottom Line]* I can tell others about Jesus, and you can too!

Exit Sketch

CG: Exit Sketch Video

Offering and Prayer

Music Plays as the offering container is passed

around

SFX: "How Great is our God?"

Bring volume down to signify prayer time.

HISTORYTELLER: "Let's pray.

"Heavenly Father, thank You for the life of Saul and how he changed when he learned the BIG NEWS about Jesus. Help us to tell others about Jesus too. We want everyone to know that Jesus is alive! We love You. In Jesus' name, amen."

Dismiss

"Well, that's it for today. Have fun and I'll see you next time. Bye!"

Start Music as children exit. Historyteller stands at the door as children exit.

CG: Farewell Slide ("Every Day")

TWO'S

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Make It True

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CG: Welcome Slide ("Every Day")

Stop music once all classes are in and on a line.

Worship

HISTORYTELLER: "Hello, friends. What a wonderful day. I can't wait to sing with you about the BIG NEWS that Jesus is alive. I love singing with you every week. But first, tell me: **Who can tell others about Jesus?**"

CG: Bottom Line Slide

"I can tell others about Jesus. That's right! [Bottom Line] I can tell others about Jesus. Yes! We can tell others that Jesus is alive. Let's sing about that."

SFX: Jesus Is Alive

"Great singing, my friends. I love singing about the BIG NEWS. Remember, [Bottom Line] I can tell others about Jesus. Who can tell others about Jesus?"

CG: Bottom Line Slide

CHILDREN and HISTORYTELLER: [Bottom Line] "I can tell others about Jesus."

HISTORYTELLER: "Exactly. **[Bottom Line]** I can tell others about Jesus. It's time to practice our memory verse. Are you ready?

CG: Memory Verse Slide

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CHILDREN and HISTORYTELLER: "Go (run in place) and make (pound fist into palm) disciples (hold the hand of the friend next to you) of all nations" (extend arms over your head in a circle), Matthew 28:19." (Open your hands like a book.) (Repeat several times.)

HISTORYTELLER: "You are all AMAZING at that verse! Have you shown your parents yet? How about your brother and sister? How about all your good friends? Make sure you show them today!"

"It's time for us to visit the Clubhouse. Have a seat."

Introductory Sketch

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Bible History Lesson

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HISTORYTELLER: (Set the box of props next to you.) "Today I have a super amazing, Truth to tell you from my favorite book: the BIBLE! (Hold up Bible.) The Bible is God's Word to us. It's awesome!

"All month long, we've been talking about some..." (cup hands to mouth)

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"...BIG NEWS! Jesus is alive! We can tell lots and lots of people this (cup hands to mouth) BIG NEWS! And telling some people this (cup hands to mouth) BIG NEWS is easy—people like your grandma, or your best friend, or the nice mail carrier who brings you the mail. They'd probably love to hear this (cup hands to mouth) BIG NEWS that Jesus is alive."

CG: Jesus is ALIVE flashing slide

"But there are some people who are hard to tell. (Drape the piece of material over your head like a biblical head covering.) Today I want to tell you about a man named Saul from the Bible.

"Now Saul did NOT believe the—do it with me (*cup hands to mouth*)—BIG NEWS about Jesus. The Bible tells us that he even tried to hurt anyone who believed that Jesus is alive. Go ahead a make a mean face for us, Saul. (*Pause.*) Yeah, Saul wasn't very nice to people who believed our (*cup hands to mouth*) BIG NEWS!

CG: Big News Flashing Slide

"One day, Saul was walking down the road. Let's all stand up and pretend we're Saul walking down that road. Suddenly, there was a BIG light."

(Turn on the flashlight and shine it toward the top of your head.)

"Well, the light was a lot brighter than this. (Fall to your knees.) Saul fell to his knees because the light was SO bright! And then Saul heard JESUS talking to him. Saul asked, 'Who are you?'

"Jesus answered, 'I am Jesus. Now get up and go into the city and you will be told what to do.'

"But when Saul got up, he was blind! (Close your eyes and move your hands out in front of you like you're trying to figure out which way to go.) He could not see anything. Saul did what Jesus said and went to the city to wait for three days. Count them with me."

CHILDREN and HISTORYTELLER: "One, two, three!"

CG: 1, 2, 3 Counting slide

HISTORYTELLER: "Great job counting! God sent a man named Ananias to help Saul. Ananias loved Jesus, so he did what God asked. Ananias touched Saul's eyes (touch your eyes), and right away, Saul could see again! Then Saul believed that Jesus is God's Son and that He IS alive!

"Saul realized that this was really (cup hands to mouth) BIG NEWS!

"Saul completely changed when he learned about Jesus! In fact, Saul, who we also know as Paul, spent the rest of his life telling people that Jesus is alive and that He wants to be their friend forever. He traveled to far-away countries to share the BIG NEWS that Jesus is alive! That's SO awesome! Let's walk back to our seats and as we say it again!"

CHILDREN and HISTORYTELLER: "BIG NEWS! Jesus is alive!"

CG: Jesus is ALIVE flashing slide

HISTORYTELLER: "That was fun.. So tell me: Who can tell others about Jesus?"

CG: Bottom Line Slide

CHILDREN and HISTORYTELLER: [Bottom Line] "I can tell others about Jesus."

HISTORYTELLER: "That's right! We can share this (*cup hands to mouth*) BIG NEWS with everyone, because people can change when they learn about Jesus! **[Bottom Line]** I can tell others about Jesus, and you can too!

Exit Sketch

CG: Exit Sketch Video

Prayer

Music Plays as the offering container is passed around

SFX: "How Great is our God?"

HISTORYTELLER: "Thank you for being such great listeners today. Now let's put our hands together, close our eyes, and talk to God.

"Heavenly Father, thank You for the life of Saul and how he changed when he learned the BIG NEWS about Jesus. We want everyone to know that Jesus is alive! We love You. In Jesus' name, amen."

Dismiss

HISTORYTELLER: "I had such a great time singing, dancing, and sharing God's words with you. Thank you so much for coming to see me today! We'll see you next time, friends! Bye."

Start Music as children exit. Historyteller stands at the door as children exit.

CG: Farewell Slide ("Every Day")