



## Saul Is Changed by Jesus

Acts 9:1-22

(Point to Saul)

*This is Saul. He was a smart man who knew a lot about God, but Saul did not believe that Jesus was really God's Son. He actually believed that everyone who loved Jesus should be punished!*

*Saul and his friends were on their way to find people who loved Jesus and put them in jail.*

*Let me hear you whisper, "Oh no!" (Everyone whispers, "Oh no!")*



***Let me see all of you close your eyes tight.*** (Everyone will close their eyes)

***OK! Now you can open them back up.*** (Everyone will open their eyes)

***While Saul and his friends were on the way to put followers of Jesus in jail, a bright light shined down on him. It was so bright that Saul fell to the ground.***

***Then he heard a voice say, “Saul, why are you hurting me?”***

***Who do you think this was talking to Saul?*** (Allow responses)

***It was Jesus! Jesus told Saul to get up and go into the city.***



***But when Saul got up, he could not see anything! So his friends took him to a house to stay.***

***Let's clap together three times.*** (Everyone will clap as you count aloud) ***One, two, three!***

***Saul waited at the house for three days.***





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(Point to the man)

***This is Ananias.*** (Pronounced: “Ann-uh-nye-us”) ***He loved Jesus very much.***

***One day Jesus told Ananias*** (pronounced: “Ann-uh-nye-us”) ***to go help Saul. He wanted Ananias to pray for him, and then Saul would be able to see again!***

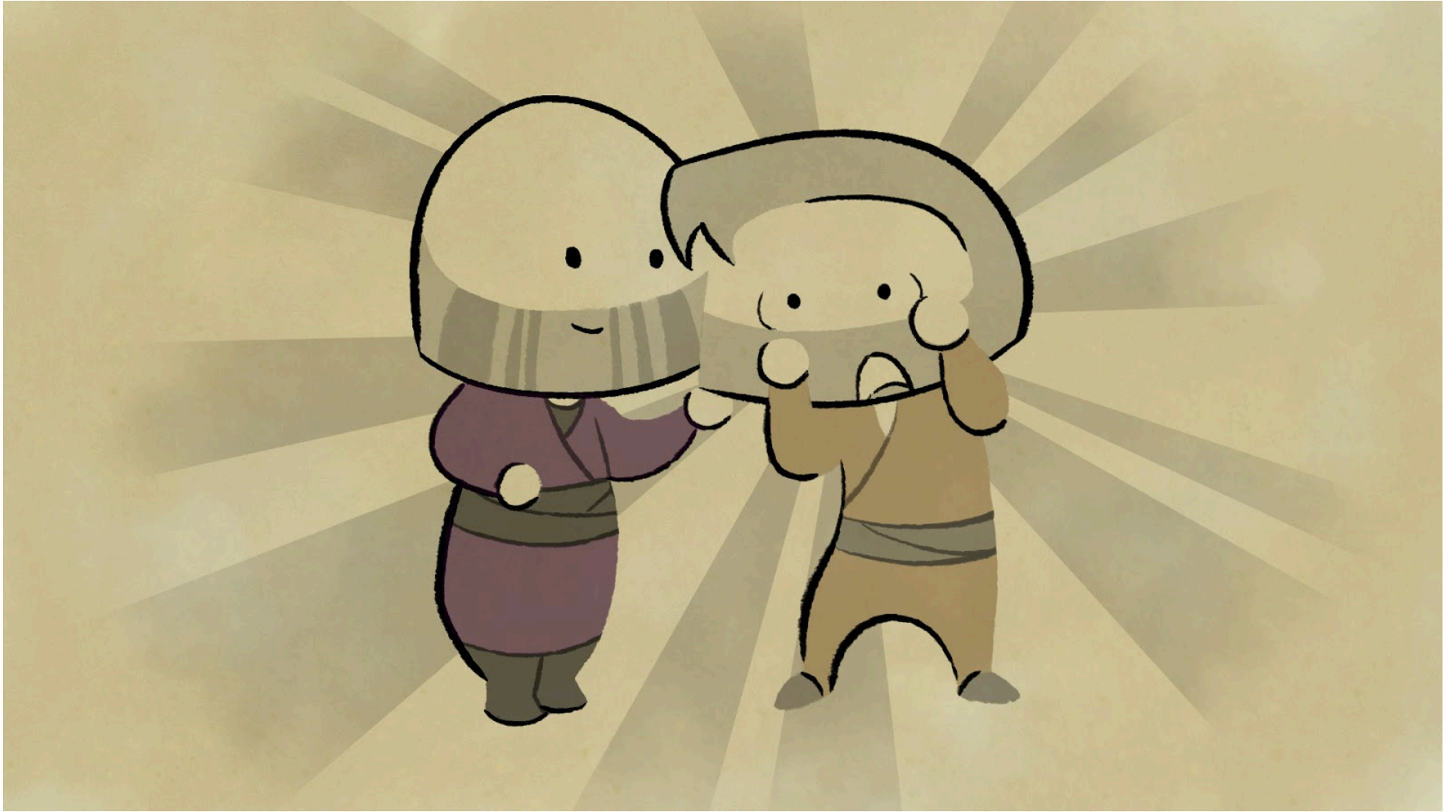
***Let me see you make scared faces!*** (Everyone will make scared faces)

***You do look scared. Ananias*** (pronounced: “Ann-uh-nye-us”) ***was scared, too. He knew that Saul had been hurting people who loved Jesus.***

***But Jesus told Ananias to go!***

***Let’s whisper, “Go!” together. Ready?*** (Everyone will whisper, “Go!” together)





***So Ananias (pronounced: “Ann-uh-nye-us”) listened to Jesus and did what He said. When he reached the house where Saul was staying, Ananias placed his hands on Saul and prayed for him.***

***As soon as Ananias finished praying, Saul could see again!***

***Let’s all cheer for Ananias (pronounced: “Ann-uh-nye-us”) and Saul!***  
(Everyone cheers)



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***Jesus changed Saul!***

(Point to Saul)

***Does Saul still look mad, or does he look happy? (Happy)***

***Yes! Saul stopped being mad at people who loved Jesus and started doing what was right! Then Saul told everyone about Jesus and His love! This made Jesus so happy!***

***Jesus always loves us, and it makes Him happy to see us stop doing wrong things and start doing what is right!***

***Let me hear you say this after me: (Pause to allow kids to repeat)***

***I Can Make (thumbs to chest)***

***Jesus Happy (smile, both hands point up)***