Youtube Link: <a href="https://youtu.be/gTj\_JuXF9vQ">https://youtu.be/gTj\_JuXF9vQ</a>

Children's Bible Story Video: <a href="https://youtu.be/4uFNHpvvNng">https://youtu.be/4uFNHpvvNng</a>

Worship Theme: Jesus does amazing things.

**Memory Verse:** "The Lord has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy" (Psalms 126:3)

Songs (Youtube links):

1. Jesus Is the Lord https://youtu.be/I-PzUIJ0MVo

2. Our God Is Awesome https://youtu.be/TU6HfxJXLvQ

3. Our God Is So Good https://youtu.be/JUMy8rZvqjY

# **Pray**

**Song:** Select songs from the list above.

**Icebreaker: Jesus Is Amazing!**Materials Needed: Paper, pen



- 1. Divide the children into 2 groups and give paper and pen to each group.
- 2. Ask the children to write or draw as many amazing things that Jesus did on the paper. Give the children about 5 minutes.
- 3. Each group will stand up and say one amazing thing that they have on the paper.
- 4. The group that has more amazing things that Jesus did wins the game.
- 5. Explain to the children that Jesus is amazing and he can still do these amazing things today!

# Introduction:

Jesus has done more amazing things in the Bible! Can you think of some amazing things that Jesus did in the bible? (let the children answer - make the blind man see, raised a dead person, fed 5000 people with 5 bread and 2 fish, etc.). Do you believe that Jesus can still do amazing things in your life? When Jesus enters your life, amazing things can happen. Today, we will learn about a man whose life changed in amazing ways after he met Jesus!

## **Bible Story:**

Our story comes from the book of Acts in the Bible. There was a man named Saul who was smart and powerful. But he was also very mean. Saul did not believe in Jesus, and he wanted to stop people who believed in Jesus. One day, Saul was going to a city called Damascus to find people who were believed in Jesus and send them to prison. Jesus was sad because he knew Saul wanted to hurt the people.

Suddenly an amazing thing happened! A strong light from heaven came around Saul. "He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, 'Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?' 'Who are you, Lord?" Saul asked. 'I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting,' he replied. 'Now get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do"" (Acts 9:4-6). So, Saul got up from the ground. When he opened his eyes another amazing thing happened. He could not see! So his friends took him into the city in obedience to the voice from heaven. Saul was blind for three days.

Then Jesus sent a man named Ananias to tell Saul about Jesus. When Saul heard about Jesus, another amazing thing happened! Suddenly Saul could see again!

Because of what God did, Saul believed in Jesus. Saul became known as Paul, and he became a great champion for God. In fact, Paul wrote 13 of the 27 books of the New Testament. That's amazing!

#### **Questions to discuss:**

- 1. Which book of the bible does today's story come from? (Acts)
- 2. Why did Saul go to the city called Damascus? (to find people who believed in Jesus and to send them to prison)
- 3. What happened to him on the way to the city of Damascus? (Strong light came on him, he heard the voice of Jesus asking him why he's persecuting Jesus, and he became blind)
- 4. When was he able to see again? (After 3 days when Ananias came to tell Saul about Jesus)
- 5. How did Paul's life become amazing? (he became a great champion for God and wrote 13 of the 27 books of the New Testament)
- 6. What amazing things has God done in your life? (let the children answer; teacher can share a testimony of their experience with God)
- 7. Can God do wonderful things for you like he did for Apostle Paul?

# Game: "Say What You See!"



Material needed: books, rulers, water bottles, masks, pencils, pen, colored pencils, etc. All materials must be placed in a black bag or a bag that's not a see through.

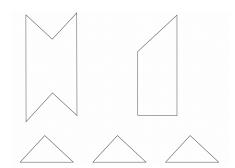
- 1. Divide the children into two groups and ask each group to choose a representative to stand in front of the teacher.
- 2. When the teacher takes something out of the bag, the children have to be the first to say what the item is. The team that answers faster and that team is the winner? (The children in each group take turns to play until they finish the materials).

**Memory Verse:** "The Lord has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy" (Psalms 126:3)

## **Craft: Cross Puzzle**

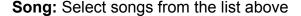
Material Needed: Print enough copies of the cross puzzle (see below to print) and cut out the pieces.

1. Divide the children into groups of 3-4 and give the cut out puzzle.



- 2. Tell the children to put the shapes together to make something amazing.
- 3. After watching the children trying to figure out what amazing thing the puzzle can become, tell them that they can use these shapes to make a crossi
- 4. The first group to make a cross is the winner!

Explain to them that something ordinary like these cut out shapes can be put together to make something amazing.





Teacher's Devotion (Please read before you get ready to teach the students.)

Maybe you didn't meet Jesus in the dramatic way as Paul, and that's okay. What is important is whether or not you are making the most of your journey with him. Close your eyes tight and think hard about why you have placed your hope in Christ. Think of one person you can share your hope found in Christ. Pray that God will work through you to bring that person into the family of Christ.



