



Children's Church of Garden Grove Seventh-day Adventist Church

KIDS IN CHRIST

Now I See!

Saul was a man who did not like Christians. He yelled and screamed at them. He made nasty threats. He beat them and even killed them. On this particular day, Saul was traveling to the city of Damascus. He wanted the leaders of the city to give him permission to hurt more Christians. As he and his friends were making their way along the dusty road suddenly from out of heaven, came the brightest light Saul had ever seen. The light surrounded Him. He tried to cover his eyes to shield the light, but it was so bright that it still hurt his eyes. He fell down on the ground trying to get away from it.

Then he heard a voice. It was unlike any voice he had ever heard, saying, "SAUL! SAUL! Why do you persecute me?" Saul, not recognizing the voice, said, "Who are you?" The answer came back, "I am Jesus." Saul was terribly afraid. He was shaking and trembling and could hardly speak. In a weak voice he said, "Lord, what should I do?" Jesus replied, "Go into the city, and someone will meet you and tell you what to do."

The friends that were with him were astonished! They didn't see the light. They didn't see a person. They only heard the voice! When Saul was able to get up off the ground, he uncovered his eyes, but he couldn't see anything. His friends had to hold his hands and lead him into the city of Damascus. The light was so bright it had blinded him. For three whole days he couldn't see anything at all.

While all of this was happening on the road *outside* the city of Damascus, something else was happening *inside* the city. The Christians were becoming fearful because they had heard that Saul was on his way. They knew he was a cruel man. They knew what terrible things he had done to other Christians and they were afraid.



There was a Christian man named Ananias who loved the Lord very much. God spoke to him in a vision, telling him to go down the street to find Saul. Now, Ananias had heard all the stories about Saul and he wasn't very fond of this plan. Ananias spoke to the Lord: "What if he hurts me? What if he even wants to KILL me? Are you sure about this, Lord?" I'm sure we all can understand Ananias' hesitation to go out and find Saul!

The Lord spoke to Ananias again, reassuring him that everything would be fine. Ananias found the house where Saul was staying and went in for a visit. While he was there, he prayed for Saul and the blindness left him. The Lord healed him so he could see again.

Saul stayed in Damascus with the Christians. He became good friends with them and learned from them. It wasn't long before Saul became a preacher teaching people about Jesus. Everyone was amazed! They couldn't believe that this was the same person that had hated them so much and wanted to kill them.



Sketches From The Life Of Paul By Ellen G. White

"...If any man be in Christ, he is a new creation..." 2 Corinthians 5:17

THINK!

Does Jesus only care about good people?

What was the BIG CHANGE that happened to Saul?

Can anyone change or just some people?

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“...One thing I know: that though I was blind, now I see.” John 9:25



Thank you Jesus for sending the Holy Spirit to guide me and lead to You. AMEN