

**GO DEEPER**

**BOTTOM LINE**

**GOD CAN USE ANYONE  
AS HIS DISCIPLE**

**MEMORY VERSE**

Then he said to the crowd, "If any of you wants to be my follower, you must give up your own way, take up your cross daily, and follow me." **Luke 9:23 (NLT)**

**DAILY DEVOTIONS**

**DAY 1: GOD CAN USE ANYONE**

*READ - Acts 8:1-3, Acts 9:1-2*

Wow! If there was someone who acted against Jesus it was Saul. Saul was a cruel, cruel man, and very far from having a personal relationship with God. It's sad to think about all the people who Saul put in prison and hurt because they followed Jesus. But even Saul was not too bad to be forgiven by God and become a disciple of Jesus. You will make mistakes and bad choices at times in your life, but God can still use you! **Remember: God Can Use Anyone as His Disciple!**

**DAY 2: A LIFE CHANGED**

*READ - Acts 9:3-8, 15-18*

Saul was stopped by the voice of Jesus while he was traveling. Can you imagine being in the presence of the very person you were against?!? But what does God say about Saul in verse 15? God said that Saul was His chosen instrument. The same person that had spent his time destroying anyone who followed Jesus, was chosen by God to go and tell others about Jesus. Saul was filled with the Holy Spirit and he was forever changed! **Remember: God Can Use Anyone as His Disciple!**

**DAY 3: REJOICE WITH NEW BELIEVERS**

*READ - Acts 9:10-18*

Ananias was not wanting to go and visit Saul. In fact, he thought he needed to remind God that Saul was not a good guy. But God can use anyone! Ananias finally chose to obey and he went to meet Saul. He got to see how God had changed Saul. When someone we don't like, or we think is mean, becomes a follower of Jesus, do we rejoice with them? Or are we hesitant like Ananias? Ask God to help you rejoice when He changes someone's heart.

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**DAY 4: VISIBLE CHANGE**

*READ - Acts 9:19-22*

Paul's life was changed after an encounter with Jesus and people noticed! He preached boldly and thousands of people came to know and believe in Jesus! How about you? Have you allowed God to change your heart? If so, what changes can the people around you see? If not, what is keeping you from choosing to follow Jesus? **Remember: God Can Use Anyone as His Disciple!**

**DAY 5: GOD CAN USE YOU**

*READ - John 3:16, 1 John 1:9, Luke 9:23*

God forgave Paul for sinning. But what about us? Sin keeps us from having a good relationship with God. Sometimes we try to fix or get rid of our own sin by doing more good things or trying to sin less, but we just don't have the power to clean the sin away. But God does! He sent Jesus to live a perfect life, die on the cross taking the punishment for our sins, and then come back to life defeating sin and death! God promises to forgive us when we tell Him we are truly sorry and ask for His forgiveness. It's God's forgiveness that cleans our hearts! **Remember: God Can Use Anyone as His Disciple!**



## ATTRACTING PEOPLE FOR JESUS

*Materials: comb, foil*

Jesus performed a miracle and Saul's heart changed. As different as night is to day, the old Saul was gone, and the new Paul shone bright. We can also shine the light of Jesus by the way we live. When we do, we attract people for Jesus. They notice how our actions look different from others around us. Perform a fun science experiment that reminds us to attract people to Jesus.

Directions: Tear your foil into ten tiny pieces. Lay them on a flat surface in front of you. Next, rub your comb quickly through your hair ten times or more. (Note: Your hair needs to be clean and dry for this experiment to work.) Finally, hold the comb slightly above the foil pieces and watch what happens. The foil pieces "jump" toward the comb. Repeat the experiment a number of times. Notice that different bits of foil jump with each try.

Think about it: What actions do others notice in you? Do these actions help attract others to Jesus?



## TRANSFORMED

*Materials: wooden spoon, colorful paper, markers, glue or glue dots, googly eyes, scissors*

On Banana News Walkabout Wilson explored creatures that transform. Probably the most commonly known transformers are caterpillars. These little crawlers transform into butterflies or moths. Create your own butterfly as a reminder that God can transform anyone into a disciple of Jesus!

Directions:

- Color your wooden spoon however you would like.
- Trace and cut out your hand print (twice) as well as some antennas from the card stock paper.
- Glue the hand print cutouts to the back of the wooden spoon to create wings.
- Then glue on the antennas & googly eyes.
- Finally, add any other embellishments you would like (glitter, rhinestones, stickers, etc.) to finish it off and really give it some flair!



## BE FILLED AND GO

*Materials: bubbles*

As soon as Saul was filled with the Holy Spirit he began to tell others about Jesus. When you are a disciple of Jesus, He wants you to go and tell others about Him!

Dip your bubble wand in the solution. Then, watch what happens as you blow into the bubble solution. As the air from your breath hits the soap it is transformed and turns into a bubble that is sent out into the world! It is transformed and sets out! When we are filled with the Holy Spirit, God has changed us into a disciple who can tell others about Jesus. While you blow your bubbles think about if you have allowed God to change you? If you are a child of God, who does He want you to go and tell?