



# SKIDS HOUSE PARTY

PARENT GUIDE

June 14

## Life App Definition

Faith — trusting in what you can't see because of what you can see

## Main Idea

Paul was on his way to arrest and prosecute followers of Jesus. But Jesus had other plans for him. When we put our faith in Jesus, it changes everything. We'll see people as God sees them. We'll discover a personal mission to join God in His rescue plan for the world. Jesus really lived and died and rose again. Believing in that impacts our entire life.

## Memory Verse

"Faith is being sure of what we hope for. It is being sure of what we do not see"  
(Hebrews 11:1 NIRV).

## Bottom Line

Knowing Jesus changes the way we see everything.

## Small-Group Discussion

Review the story and use the following questions to reinforce the lesson learned from the story.

- Whom was today's story about?
- Why was Saul upset with Jesus' followers?
- Why did he go to Damascus?
- What happened to Saul when he stopped to pray before entering Damascus?
- If God tries to get someone's attention but they continue to ignore Him, does He ever give up? Explain.
- If you could meet Jesus the way Saul did, how do you think it would impact your faith?
- We probably won't have a Damascus experience like Saul did, but what are some ways God might get our attention?

## Object Lesson

The following activity is intended to help your children apply the lesson that was learned in today's House Party. Complete the activity as a family by following the steps below.

### Supplies Needed

- Small pieces of paper
- Writing utensils

### Activity

- Have your children brainstorm things we might do to get someone's attention. For example, we might clap our hands, wave our arms, or scream.
- Have them write down their ideas on separate pieces of paper.
- When everyone is done writing, put all the pieces of paper in a cup or bowl.
- Have someone pull a paper from the cup/bowl and silently act out the action.
- The rest of the family should try to guess what is being acted out.
- Take turns pulling a paper and acting it out; continue until all actions have been done.
- Share with your children that sometimes the things people do to get the attention of others can be annoying or obnoxious. Have you ever been around a little kid who throws a tantrum to get attention? Most often, that kind of attention doesn't end well. But when God gets our attention and speaks to us, He does it through the Bible, His amazing creation as we appreciate the world He has made, beautiful music that gives Him praise, the wisdom of friends and family, and even our life circumstances—both good and bad. We saw that with Saul in today's story. Saul was convinced that Jesus wasn't who He said He was, so Jesus had to get his attention.
- Talk through with your children ways God might be trying to get their attention.

### Prayer

Take a moment and pray with your children. Ask God to help them to stay focused on Him so they can get to know Him better.

Dear God,

Thank You for showing us through Saul's story how You pursue us and want to speak to us. Help us to get to know You more through Your Son, Jesus, so we can see our lives through Your eyes. Speak to us and show us areas of our lives that You want to change, because knowing Jesus changes the way we see everything.