

Dear Families:

Today in Sunday School, we talked about a man named Saul. Last week, we read about Jesus' disciples hiding from angry people who were chasing them, trying to arrest them. Saul was one of those people. Saul was on his way to Damascus with a group of friends, hoping to arrest some Christians that were hiding there. Suddenly, there was a bright light, and a voice called out, "Saul, why do you persecute me?" Suddenly, Saul was blind.

A Christian in Damascus, named Ananias, was visited by God in a dream. God told him to go find Saul. Ananias said, "I've heard of Saul. He's a bad man! He has been so evil to Christians in Jerusalem! He has the authority to put me in jail!" But God told Ananias to go- He has chosen Saul to do very important work. He would teach the Gentiles about Jesus, even though it means that he would have to suffer for it. So Ananias went. He prayed over Saul, and suddenly Saul could see! Through Ananias' preaching, Saul became baptized, learned about Jesus, and became one of the principal founders of the Christian church!

God can use anybody. As a matter of fact, most of the people that He chooses for special missions are highly imperfect- even quite flawed. But God has a purpose for everyone. If you ever think that you aren't good enough, remember this story. God has a plan for YOU, too! If he can take an evil violent man and turn his life around into a leader for the ages, just think what he can do through you!

Looking ahead, we see that we are running out of Sunday School classes for this school year! There will be no class on Sunday May 18, as Teddy and Nathaniel will be running worship in Pastor's absence. The room will be open if you'd like to come downstairs for an activity. Youth Sunday will be during worship service on June 8th. The students will lead worship, perform some songs, and display some of their hard work from this year.

Thank you for being with us today!

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