

**MAIN POINT:**

Joining Jesus: Hear What Jesus Is Saying

**MEMORY VERSE:**

*"When you bear a lot of fruit it brings glory to my Father. It shows that you are my disciples." John 15:8*

**BIBLE STORY SUMMARY:**

Saul was travelling on the road to Damascus. He was heading there to find Christians to put in jail. He didn't like that they were preaching about Jesus. Suddenly a bright light blinded him, and he fell to the ground. Jesus spoke to him and said, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" Saul asked who was speaking to him, and Jesus replied, "I am Jesus whom you persecute." Then He gave Saul instructions to go into the city, and wait for a man to come to him. Jesus also spoke to Ananias and told him to go see Saul. When Ananias went to see him, he prayed over him, and suddenly Saul could see! After that, Saul followed Jesus and told everyone about Him.

**WATCH IT**

Find the lesson video on our website: <https://cchurch.ca/childrens-online>

**DO IT → BIBLE BOOKMARK**

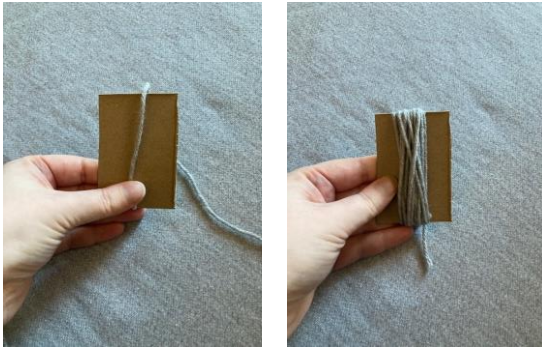
**Supplies:**

- Bookmark template (1 per child, see last page)
- Pencil crayons
- Thinner yarn (3 lengths of yarn per child: 140 inches, 8 inches and 5 inches)
- Cardboard piece (2.5-inch x 3-inch)
- Sharp scissors
- Hole punch

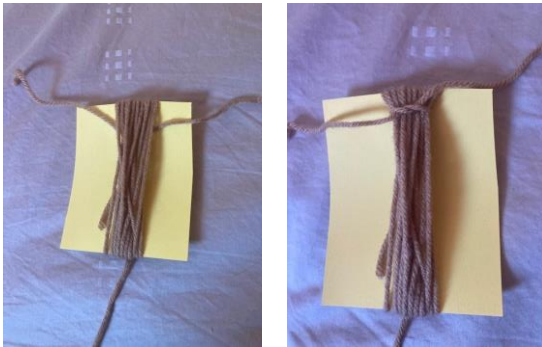
**Activity Instructions:**

- Print out the template, cut it out and punch a hole at the top.
- Have children colour their bookmark as desired.
- With one end in line with the bottom, wrap the longest piece of yarn (140 inches) around the middle of the long length of cardboard.

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- When you get to the end, take the middle size piece of yarn (8 inches), and insert it between the cardboard and the yarn.
- Slide it along one end of your cardboard, and tie a knot around the centre of your wound piece.



- Cut all the yarn along the bottom (the same place where you started the yarn).
- Take your smallest piece of yarn (5 inches), and tie it around all the tassel pieces, about an inch down from the centre string.
- Tuck in the ends and trim as needed.



- Using the ends from the centre tie, place them through the bookmark hole and tie a knot.

### TALK ABOUT IT:

1. **How do you know who is talking to you if you can't see them, such as a person on the phone, or a family member calling you from the other room?** (You recognize their voice.) **How do you know it's their voice?** (You've heard it before, it's familiar.)

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2. **Do your parents, grandparents, or teachers have familiar phrases that they use a lot, that come to mind and remind you how to act, even if they aren't there?** ("Make good choices"; "Hands on top, that means stop"; "Before you speak THINK" to remind us: is it True, Helpful, Inspiring, Necessary and Kind?) **We have the Holy Spirit to do the same thing. That voice you hear in your head that tells you to do, or not do something, is often the Holy Spirit guiding you. If what that voice is telling you to do is in line with what the Bible says, you can trust it.**
  
3. **Jesus' voice becomes easier for us to recognize, the more familiar we are with it. How do we become more familiar with a friend or family member's voice?** (Spend time with them!) **The same is true with Jesus. The more time we spend with Him, the easier it will be to recognize His voice. We're making bookmarks that will help you track your Bible reading. When we read the Bible, we get to know Jesus' voice. Sometimes we forget to read our Bible because we get distracted by other things. The easiest way to form a new habit is to attach it to something you're already doing. What is something you do every day that could help you remember to do your Bible reading?** (Read your Bible while eating breakfast, or with your family after eating supper. Listen to a Bible reading app, like YouVersion, while you're brushing your hair and teeth. Read your Bible while you're in the car, or on the bus going to school. Read your Bible right before or right after you do your homework, or you practice music.)

### **THE POINT:**

You can place your bookmark craft in your Bible to remind yourself to hear what Jesus is saying to you in His word.

### **FAMILY PRAYER:**

**Dear Jesus, we know that You are always up to something good. We want to join You in the work You're doing. Please help us hear what You're saying this week. We love You. In Jesus' name, Amen.**

### **OFFERING:**

Our Children's Ministries offering from April to June will be going to The Well Cafe, a ministry of Centre Street Church. The Well Café is a place for people to connect in community as they share a free, hot meal together.

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