



Life Changer – Lesson I

Order of Service (Skit)

1) Introduction

2) Welcome & Memory Verse

Hello everybody! My name is _____ and it is so awesome to see all of you! I am really excited to be here with you in the Tree House today. Do you know that this is one of my favorite places to be – here with you learning about Jesus? Today, we are going to learn some great things, so let's get started.

“Anyone who belongs (hands start in the center of the body and come out wide and out to the sides and then bring them back into the chest in fists.)

to Christ (sign for Christ – make a C with your right hand then start with it at your left shoulder and bring it down to your right hip)

has become a new person (jump and do a 360 degree spin)

The old life is gone; (take hands in fists from one shoulder and push them away to the opposite side, opening hands like you are pushing something away)

a new life has begun!” (make the letter “L” with your hands, with thumbs up and palms facing your body bring the hands up the chest)

2 Corinthians 5:17

Let's try that one more time! (Repeat.) **Great job! Okay, everybody sit down on your carpets and put your listening ears on.**

3) Skit

Roles:
Storyteller
Willow
Zip

Stage lights up as house lights drop down a little.

Willow: **Willow the Servant to the rescue!**

Zip: **Willow who?**

Willow: **Willow the Servant!**

Zip: **Willow the Servant? What's a servant? Do you leap tall buildings with a single bound?**

Willow: **Well, no. I...**

Zip: **Can you run at the speed of light?**

Willow: **Well, I am fast, but no, I...**

Zip: **Can you walk into a phone booth and come out a totally different person wearing tights and a cape?**

Willow: **No, Zip! I am not Superman. Besides, only God can change a person's life. Which brings me to why I said, “Willow the Servant to the rescue.”**

Zip: **Oh, yeah! Why did you say that?**

Willow: **Well, I was just reading the Bible and remember how we have learned all about how God is our creator and then how he came to rescue us from our sin? He died for our sins and made us right with God again.**

Zip: **Yeah! God is really great!**

Willow: **Yes, he is! Well, I was reading that if we belong to Jesus, if we believe he is God's Son and trust him with our lives, he will make us a new person on the inside. Our old life is gone and our new life in him begins! Then we get to be servants of his! And that is what God did for Saul! Or was it Paul?**

Zip: **Hmmm, I don't know!?**

Willow: **I think his name was Saul and then Paul.**

Storyteller: **What are you guys talking about?**

Willow: **We were talking about that guy in the Bible—he was kind of a mean guy. He went around hurting followers of Christ and putting them in jail. What was his name Saul or Paul?**

Storyteller: **His name was Saul and Paul. Sometimes in the Bible people had two different names that they were called. Sometimes he was called Saul and at other times he was called Paul.**

Zip: **Whoa! That is confusing! I am glad that I only have one name that people call me.**

Willow: **Well, Saul didn't believe Jesus was the Son of God, so he tried to stop people from saying he was.**

Storyteller: **That is right. But when Saul was on his way to Damascus to put more followers of Jesus in jail, a bright light shone down on him. The light was so bright and blinding that Saul fell to the ground.**

Zip: **Wow that must have been a really bright light!**

Storyteller: **It was a very bright light. And then he heard a voice speak to him. "Saul! Saul! Why are you persecuting me?"**

Zip: **Persecuting? What is that?**

Storyteller: **Well it's kind of like God asking Saul "Why are you working so hard against me?" Saul thought he was working for God by following a lot of religious rules, but he was actually working against God instead.**

Zip: **Oh, I see. Then what happened?**

Storyteller: **Well Saul asked, "Who are you Lord?" And God replied, "I am Jesus, the one you are persecuting."**

Willow: **Yeah, and then God told Saul to get up and stand on his feet. Then he told Saul, "I have appeared to you to appoint you as my servant and witness. You will tell others what you have seen and will see of me."**

Storyteller: **That is right! God was sending Saul to tell the world that Jesus is God's Son. The Lord said to Saul, "I am sending you to them to open their eyes. I want you to turn them from darkness to light. I want their sins to be forgiven."**

Zip: **So did Saul stop hurting followers of Jesus?**

Storyteller: **Yes. But not only that, Saul became a follower of Jesus himself. He was blinded by the light for a few days, but then God sent a man to lay hands on Saul and he was healed. Then Saul started telling people about Jesus!**

Zip: **You mean Saul started doing the very thing he used to throw other people in jail for doing?**

Willow: **That's exactly right! And that's the kind of servant I want to be—Willow, the Servant of God. God changed me and forgave me for turning away from him. I want to tell other people that Jesus is God's Son and show them that if he can change my heart and life he can change theirs, too.**

Storyteller: **Let's stand up and worship God and thank him for being our Life Changer!**

Actors move to side, worship leader should begin song quickly – only stage lights. House lights up to medium so leader can see kids.

4) Songs

When I hear a life story like that – a story that reminds me of the amazing things that God can do – it makes me want to sing. So why don't we all stand up and praise God for how incredible he is.

5) Prayer & Closing

Thank you so much for singing and praising God with me! Everybody sit back down on your carpets and let's pray together before we go back to our classes.

Dear God, thank you for the example of Saul that reminds us of how powerful you are. Thank you for showing us through Saul's life that you can change our lives. Help us to believe in you so we can be turned from sinful choices and brought back to you. Amen.

