

CALLED CHRISTIAN

LESSON 4

Acts 9:26-31; 11:19-30

THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS THROUGH GOD'S WORD.



CONNECTING IDENTITY & CALLING

IDENTITY: WHO AM I?

God gives me His own name in my Baptism.

CALLING: WHY AM I HERE?

I can rejoice in my name as Christian and use my gifts to grow the Christian Church.

GROWING IN FAITH FOR LIFE

See how this lesson builds on previous learning for each age.

ADULT

I can consider why understanding the work of the Holy Spirit through God's Word matters so much for the Church.

YOUTH

I can describe how the Holy Spirit works through the Word to spread the Gospel.

ELEMENTARY

I understand that the Holy Spirit works through God's Word.

EARLY CHILDHOOD

I know Jesus loves me and helps me to love others.

BIBLE VERSE

Just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another.

John 13:34

SCRIPTURE SNAPSHOT

Following his conversion, Saul (also called Paul) is introduced by Barnabas to the apostles in Jerusalem. The Church had spread to Antioch, so the leaders in Jerusalem send Barnabas there. He exhorts the people to remain faithful, and he brings Saul from Tarsus to help him minister among the people in Antioch for a whole year. The name *Christian* is first used for the believers in Antioch. The Church in Antioch sends relief to the believers in Judea.

TAKING IT HOME

- ➤ On the Go— As you travel to or from your church, discuss why your congregation is a special place to gather with other believers.
- ➤ At Mealtime—Would someone who doesn't know you recognize you as a Christian? How do people expect Christians to behave?
- ➤ Something to Do—List all of the people who work at your church. How can you support these leaders in your congregation?
- ▶ *Before Bed*—Pray for your pastors and other leaders in your church.

