

# HOW FAITH COMES

## SCHEDULE

1. **Pre-Service**
  - Group playtime
2. **Warm Up**
  - Color page
3. **Pre-Large Group**
  - President
  - Pastor Mac & Lynne
  - Offering
  - LG Rules
4. **Large Group**
5. **Small Group**
  - Small Group Notes
  - Prayer
6. **Wrap Up**
  - Snack
7. **End of Service**
  - Parent pick up
  - Put on video-if needed

### HERE IS WHAT I SAY!

Father God,  
I will listen and  
hear YOUR  
Word, so my  
FAITH will grow  
strong.  
In Jesus' Name,  
Amen.

## THE BASICS

1. **BIBLE VERSE: Romans 10:17**, "Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God."
2. **BOTTOM LINE: Faith comes by hearing God's Word**
3. **BIBLE STORY: The Man With Ears To Hear (Acts 10:1-48, 11:13-14)**

Cornelius was a man who loved God and prayed everyday, but did not have Jesus in his heart. One day an angel appeared to Cornelius and told him to find a man named Peter who would tell him "Words" so he could be saved. Cornelius sent some friends and found Peter, and Peter told him about Jesus. Peter shared how Jesus died on the cross for our sins and was raised from the dead so we could be saved (born again)! Cornelius and his whole house believed what they heard and asked Jesus to come into their hearts.

**Point To Make:** Cornelius was a good man, but did not receive salvation until he HEARD about Jesus. He had to HEAR the Word, BELIEVE the Word, and then he could RECEIVE all God promised.

## MAKE IT REAL

### **Picture: Mom reading Bible, girl listening, strong arm**

- For our faith to grow, we have to HEAR God's Word.
- We HEAR God's Word when someone reads the Bible to us, listen to a CD, watch a Bible Story video, or we go to church.
- When we HEAR God's Word it makes our spirit-man grow strong and builds our spiritual muscles.
- There is no limit to how much faith we can have. We can have a little bit, or a lot. It all depends on how much of God's Word WE decide to hear!

## QUESTIONS TO ASK:

1. If we want our faith to grow strong, what do we have to do? (*Hear God's Word*)
2. What are some ways that we can HEAR God's Word? (*Go to church, have someone read the Bible to us, watch a Bible story video*)
3. Is there a limit to how much faith you can have? (*No, it depends on how much you hear God's Word*)

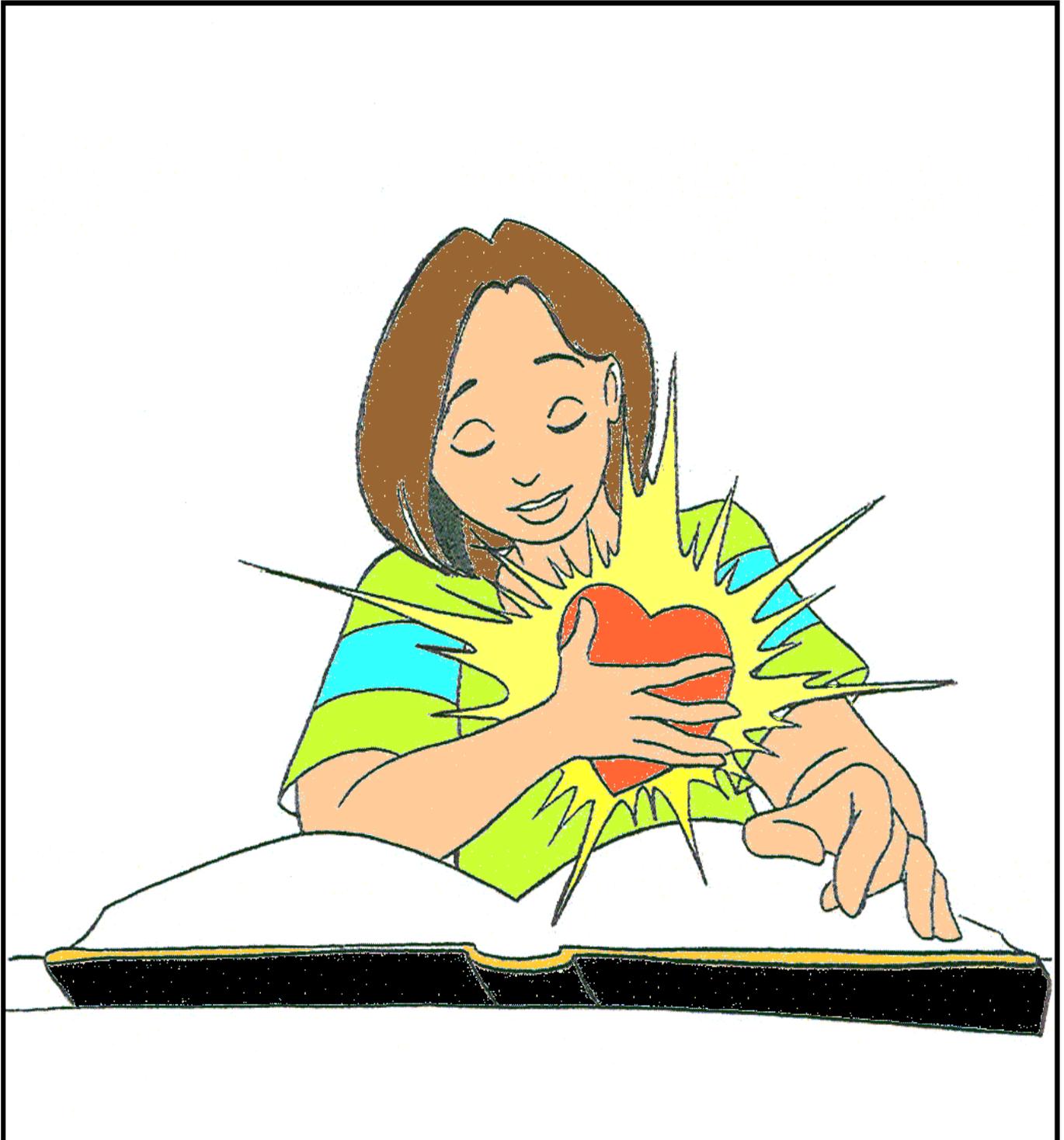


ABC's of Faith: LESSON 4

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**Bottom Line:** *Faith comes by hearing God's Word*

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When I hear God's Word, my faith grows strong.