

EVERYTHING NEW

How can something old become new again? What can the kids do with an old barn? Let the show begin!

Let's Get Started

Episode Theme: God makes all things new!

- 1. <u>2 Corinthians 5:17</u> says, "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, that person is a new creation. The old has gone, the new is here!" How does God make everything new?
- 2. God changed Abram's and Sarai's names to Abraham and Sarah when he made a new covenant with them. God said Abraham would be the father of many nations (Genesis 17:4-5). By giving them new names, God made it clear that they had a very special relationship.

Jacob spent a night wrestling with God. God changed Jacob's name to Israel when Jacob asked for God's blessing. The name change showed God's blessing on Jacob and on his children (Genesis 32:26-28).

Simon was a fisherman. When Jesus called Simon to leave his nets and become a disciple, he changed Simon's name to Peter, which means "rock" (<u>John 1:42</u>). Jesus was naming him for what he would someday become for the early Christian church .

Saul had two names, Saul and Paul. Saul was the name he used when he hunted early Christians. After meeting Jesus, Saul's life was entirely changed. As he set out to preach about Jesus, the Bible switches to his other name, Paul (Acts 13:9).

Think about how we are made new once we accept God as you listen to today's program.

Memory Verse

¹⁷ Anyone who belongs to Christ is a new person. The past is forgotten, and everything is new.

2 Corinthians 5:17

After You Listen

In this episode, Liz and Lucille make an old barn new again. Do you ever feel like that old barn, like you're a hopeless case for change? That your life is stuck in a rut of bad habits and sin? Well, the Bible says that there's no such thing as a hopeless case when God enters the picture. God is in the restoration business. One of the best things about belonging to Jesus and being a part of God's family is the fact that every day is a new day. Every morning you can start fresh when you confess your sins, repents of your old ways, and commit your life to bringing glory to God. Recently someone described giving God glory as making God look good. When you dedicate your life to making God look good, you'll show others that God can change hearts and lives, that everything old is new again in Christ Jesus.

Want to dig deeper about being made new? Read Ezekiel 36:26, Hebrews 9:14, and Revelation 21:1.

Challenge

Butterflies are a wonderful symbol of life being made new. A caterpillar has to die to become a beautiful butterfly! God is in the business of restoration. He takes sinners' hearts and makes them new through Jesus. Make a butterfly. You could print one from the Internet with a parent's permission, or draw, paint, or cut out your own. You could put your hands in finger paint and use your hands to make wing prints. Finish your butterfly creation by printing the words, "See, I make all things new' Revelation 21:5". Hang it on your fridge and share with your family how Jesus has made you new!

Take the Episode Quiz

Question 1: Why did Mr. Sidler want to tear down the barn?

Answer: Because it was old and because bad things had happened in it

Question 2: What did Liz and his friends want to do with the barn?

Answer: Make it into a place where they could put on their productions

Question 3: What did Liz and his friends do to convince Mr. Sidler not to tear down the old barn?

Answer: They put on a play

Question 4: Who played the farmer's daughter?

Answer: Lucille

Question 5: Who played the farmer?

Answer: Grandpa Anole

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