

“You Can Be a Butterfly” VBS 2023

Day 1 Script

Lightning Bugs Share Jesus

Lightning Bug 1

Lightning Bug 2

Lightning Bug 3

Human Believer

Gallorpathorp (Frog Puppet)

Boy

(Lightning Bugs – Kelly, Grace, and Bailey – are together worshipping)

(All Lightning Bugs sing) Jesus, I want to know You

Jesus, I want to know You

More and more and more and more

Than ever before

More and more and more and more

Than ever before

Boy: So like, what are you doing?

Gallorpathorp: Yeah, we heard you say something about knowing Jesus more?

Lightning Bug 1: We just love Jesus, and we’re seeking Him, we want to know Him more!

Gallorpathorp: But, what more is there to know? We’ve been to Sunday school, we’ve learned pretty much everything.

Boy: Yeah, we know all that stuff already, heard it over and over again, alllll the Bible stories.

Gallorpathorp: Yeah, like when Moses built the ark!

Boy: And Noah talked to Pharaoh!

Gallorpathorp: And Joseph in the lion's den.

Boy: I thought that was Abraham?

Gallorpathorp: Oh, you're right.

Boy: So yeah, we *know* all the stories.

Lightning Bug 2: There is a way to know someone that is different from school and just learning stories. When you love someone, you want to know them!

Lightning Bug 1: Yeah! This is just knowing stuff you learn in church. It's knowing a *person*.

Gallorpathorp: You mean, like a friend?

Lightning Bug 1: Yeah! And knowing Jesus is deeper than even your very best friend.

Lightning Bug 3: Knowing Jesus goes deep into my heart and deep into His heart too!

(Gallorpathorp and Boy are a little dumbfounded)

(All Lightning Bugs sing) Jesus, I want to reach Your heart
Jesus, we want to reach Your heart
More and more and more and more than ever before
More and more and more and more
Than every before

Boy: What I'm wondering is, why do we need Jesus? My heart is already full. I've got my video games, and awesome stuff...

Gallorpathorp: My YouTube channel, TikTok...

Boy: Yeah, we got all we need.

Lightning Bug 3: This is better than all of that! I want to know Jesus in such a real way that His life fills me!

Boy: A real way, what do you mean? More real than video games?

Gallorpathorp: I have a hard time believing Jesus could be cooler than all my stuff – I mean I want to believe it, but I don't know...

Lightning Bug 1: Jesus is so alive and so real, He is amazing! When Jesus fills you up, He LIGHTS you up with His light! We were made to be filled with the Life and Light of Jesus, and so are you!

Gallopathorp: So like He would live inside me, actually? For real?

Lightning Bug 2: For real!

Gallorp & Boy: Whoa...

(All Lightning Bugs sing) Jesus, I want to love You
Jesus, I just want You
More and more and more and more than ever before
Ohhhh... to reach Your heart Jesus

(Lindsey comes on to join the Lightning Bugs)

Lindsey: Are you guys worshipping Jesus? I love Jesus so much, can I join you guys?

Lightning Bugs: Yeah!

(All Lightning Bugs & Lindsey – worship gets really upbeat)

There is so much more!
Jesus live in me!
There is so much more!

Jesus shine through me!

Gallorpathorp: Well, that sounds good for some people, but I don't think I'm good enough for Jesus to want to live in me.

Boy: Jesus would never want to live in me...

Gallorpathorp: I'm too bad all the time, I think Jesus deserves to be in good people, better people than me. People that don't mess up like me.

Lindsey: No, Jesus came for everyone, even the worst of the worst, and we're not good either, right guys? He died for us to forgive us of all our sins, and so He could come live inside us and be our life!

Gallorp & Boy: Really?

Gallorpathorp: So there is hope?

Lindsey: Jesus in you is the hope! He really *wants* to live in you! It's not just that He will, He died just so He *could*!

Gallorp: I want Jesus to live in me! How do I get Him?

Lightning Bug 2: Just ask Him in your heart!

Lightning Bug 1: Yeah just ask Him, it's that easy! Do you want to pray and ask Jesus to live in your heart?

Gallorp & Boy: Yeah!

(Kelly leads them and any of the kids in a prayer of salvation to receive Jesus)

(Party!! Everyone sings "There is so much more" – "Let Our Light Shine" – "This Little Light of Mine")