



Sunday, March 26
Jesus Changes Everything
Acts 9:1-22

Questions for Study and Group Discussion

1. Acts 9 is about Saul's dramatic salvation experience. Describe your own salvation experience to the group (even if it's not that "exciting"). What about your old life – before Christ – seemed to be beyond God's power and purpose?
2. What do we learn about Saul from the fact that he had access to the high priest? What about the fact that he obtained letters in order to imprison Christians? What do these things tell us about Paul's character and reputation? (Acts 9:1-2)
3. In Acts 9:5, Saul responds to the voice by saying, "Who are you, Lord?" Have you ever had an unmistakable "God moment"? Describe to the group.
4. In verse 5, Jesus says, "...whom you are persecuting." What does this say to you about how Jesus takes any persecution of his followers?
5. God interacts with both Saul and Ananias. Compare their responses to God's voice. Saul in verse 5; Ananias in verse 10. How is their personal encounter with God different?
6. Why do you think the Lord struck Saul blind? What is the significance of that?
7. Describe what you think Saul was thinking or feeling during the 3 days of blindness and fasting?
8. Look at Ananias' response to the Lord in vv. 13-14. What do you think of his "push back" with God. Was he being disobedient? Does this remind you of any other characters in the Bible?
9. God could have chosen to heal Saul himself. What does it say about God involving Ananias in the miracle of restoring Saul's sight in vs. 17-18? What does that say about God's desire for us in His work?
10. What were Saul's immediate next steps? vs. 19b – 20
11. Share with the group one person you've given up on. Spend a few minutes in prayer for that person.