Sermon Based Questions



Date- Sunday 23rd March 2025 **Series**- You will be my witnesses pt

Sauls Encounter with Christ

3 As he neared Damascus on his journey, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. 4 He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" 5 "Who are you, Lord?" Saul asked. "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting," he replied.

Acts 9:3-5

1. Saul encounters the resurrected Jesus Acts (9:1-9)

2. Ananias encounters the Lord and is told to go find Saul Acts 9:10-18

DISCUSSION STARTER: Have you ever had someone in your life completely change their perspective on something because of an experience? If so- what was it and what was the experience?

EXPLORING THE TEXT

- 1. Read Acts 7:59-8:3. What do we learn from these verses about Saul and his attitude toward the Christians initially?
- 2. Read Acts 9:1-2. What was Saul seeking permission to do at the beginning of this chapter?
- 3. Read Acts 9:3-6. What happened to Saul and who spoke to him?
- 4.Read Acts 9:7-9. What happened to Saul as a result of this experience?
 - 4. Read Acts 9:10-16. Who was Ananias and what scarry thing did God ask him to do?
- 6. Acts 9:17-19. What happened to Saul when Annanias prayed for him? What did Saul then do?

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT & DO

- 1. Saul went from being someone bent on destroying the church and persecuting Christians- to being a missionary who planted churches everywhere. How his experience in this chapter lead him to that?
- 2. What does this passage teach us about who Jesus is, and how he feels when Christians are persecuted?
- 3. Sometimes we think that there is no way someone might become a Christian. But what does this story teach us about that?
- 4.No one is beyond the reach of God." Discuss this statement- what do you think of it? What makes it hard to believe and how does Sauls

Challenge: Think of the person you think is farthest away from God and take a moment each day this week- to pray that God might reveal Jesus to them. How would you behave differently if you lived as though no one is beyond the reach of God.