

Conversion of Saul

Persecution of Believers by Saul – Acts 8:1-3

Saul heads to Damascus – Acts 9:1-2

Jesus disrupts Saul's life – Acts 9:3-9

The obedience of Ananias – Acts 9:10-19

5 Days of Further Study

Day 1 – Read Acts 1:1-11

Questions	? What is a “witness”? ? Where did Jesus say the disciples would be witnesses? ? How does the Holy Spirit give power?
Reflections	→ Why do we need the Holy Spirit? → How are <i>you</i> doing with being a witness to your neighbors? → What are 3 things you can do to be a better witness?

Day 2 – Read Acts 22:1-16

Questions	? Who was Paul addressing? ? What do we learn in this passage that helps us understand Acts 9? ? Why did Jesus identify himself as “Jesus of Nazareth”?
Reflections	→ When did you choose to follow Jesus? → What are the key points in <u>your</u> conversion story? → Find 1 person this week to tell about how you found Jesus!

Day 3 – Read Acts 26:1-18

Questions	? Who was Paul addressing? ? Identify some strategies Paul used in telling his story? ? How is Paul’s intended message described in v18?
Reflections	→ Describe how your story of finding and following Jesus could be customized for a co-worker, a family member, or someone you just met. → When you tell your story, what is the most important thing you want to communicate? → Are there any strategies you might learn from the way Paul told his story to King Agrippa?

Day 4 – Read Acts 9:19-25

Questions	? As a new follower of Jesus, what did Saul immediately do? ? Why did the Jews plot to kill Saul?
Reflections	→ Saul was obedient to the call from Jesus. How are doing with that? → What can you do to be ready to “prove that Jesus was the Christ”?

Day 5 – Read Acts 9:26-31

Questions	? Why were the disciples in Jerusalem afraid of Saul? ? How did Barnabas address their fears? ? Describe the result for believers now that Saul was a follower of Jesus.
Reflections	→ How do you respond when you learn that a former antagonist is now following Jesus? → Do you need to change your response in any way? → What lessons can we learn from the account of Saul’s conversion and acceptance by the Believers?