HOW IT STARTED

HOW IT'S GOING

WEEK 5 - SAUL'S CONVERSION

OVERVIEW

One of the most significant turning points in Acts is the conversion of Saul/Paul, a pharisee who once zealously participated in the persecution of Christians, into one of the most influential apostles of them all. Through Paul, God would bring the gospel deep into the Gentile world and, ultimately, into the heart of Rome itself. Paul's conversion on the road to Damascus is proof positive that God's grace is sufficient for any one of us and that he loves to turn our brokenness into the raw material for our callings.

So Saul stayed with the apostles and went all around Jerusalem with them, preaching boldly in the name of the Lord.

Acts 9:28

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. What's the most drastic way you've experienced a change in an opinion or a belief you held?
- 2. Do you feel a passionate devotion to any particular cause? If so, why?
- 3. Read Acts 9:1-9 and Acts 9:19-25. Have you ever been blinded by a passion for a person or issue and then experienced a complete 180? What caused you to see things differently?
- 4. Read Philippians 3:6-7. Why is it important, as Barry says "to hold our beliefs with humility"?
- 5. Do you find it easy or hard to forgive yourself? Why?
- 6. Read 1 Timothy 1:12-14. Do you believe God's grace is more than enough for you? Why or why not?

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