Paul the Disciple – His Conversion Study and Discussion Questions

Saul's Conversion¹ - <u>Acts 9:1-19</u>

Topics: <u>Blindness</u>, <u>Christianity</u>, <u>Church</u>, <u>Fasting</u>, <u>Holy Spirit</u>, <u>Jesus Christ</u>, <u>Obedience</u>, <u>Prayer</u>, <u>Restoration</u>, <u>Salvation</u>

Open It

- 1. How would you describe the most intimidating person you know?
- 2. *If you could have a surprise visit from someone, whom would you want to visit you?
- 3. What was the most unusual experience that ever happened to you when you were growing up?

Explore It

- 4. What was Saul doing against the Lord's disciples? (9:1-2)
- 5. What was "the Way"? (<u>9:2</u>)
- 6. What happened to Saul as he approached Damascus? (9:3-6)
- 7. Whom did Saul meet? (9:3-6)
- 8. In persecuting the church, whom was Saul really attacking? (9:5)
- 9. What did the resurrected Lord Jesus order Saul to do? (9:6)
- 10. What did Saul's traveling companions experience when Saul met the risen Christ? (9:7)
- 11. How did Saul get to Damascus after his meeting with the Lord? (9:8)
- 12. Who was Ananias? (<u>9:10</u>)
- 13. *What did the Lord instruct Ananias to do? (9:10-12)
- 14. *Why was Ananias reluctant to do as the Lord asked? (9:13-14)
- 15. *How did God persuade Ananias that it was all right to go to Saul? (9:15-16)

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- 16. To what service had Saul been called? (9:15-16)
- 17. How did Ananias do the Lord's bidding? (9-17)
- 18. What did Saul do when his vision returned? (9:18-19)

Get It

- 19. What was your conversion experience like?
- 20. To what ministry has God called you?
- 21. In what ways do we sometimes hold back from doing what God wants?
- 22. Why do we sometimes resist what God asks of us?
- 23. What happens when we resist doing what God wants?
- 24. If you were temporarily disabled, how might it benefit your spiritual life?
- 25. How can fasting help us focus on spiritual needs?
- 26. What are some of the many ways a person can play a part in leading someone to Christ?
- 27. What are some ways we can welcome new believers into the body of Christ?
- 28. *What do older, more mature Christians have to offer younger, less mature Christians?
- 29. *How can you be a guide and help to younger Christians in your church?
- 30. How can you lean on another Christian to help you uncover God's will for your life? Who is this person?

Apply It

- 31. How can you challenge a friend or neighbor with the message of salvation this week?
- 32. *What is one thing you could do this week to help a younger Christian grow in his or her faith?
- 33. From what more mature Christian can you seek advice or counsel this week?