

# Welcome to Troy Methodist Church!

## New to TMC?

We invite you on a journey with Jesus... Connect to God and our faith community. Grow into a wholehearted follower of Jesus. Serve with your God-given gifts and passions. Share God's love regionally and globally. Worship God in everything you say and do. Stop by the Welcome Center after service to pick up a gift!



Point your phone camera at the QR code to connect!

## Upcoming Events

11/12- Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes Due
11/14- GriefShare- "Surviving the Holidays"
11/16- Upward Evaluation Night
11/19- Share Thanksgiving Meal Delivery Day
11/22- Thanksgiving Service with Potluck Lunch
11/28- Joy Seekers



Message Notes

November 12, 2023 Acts Part 3: The Power of God Life Changing: Saul Acts 9:19b-31

There is no greater or profound conversion than of Saul of Tarsus. Raised a Jew, trained as a Rabbi, persecutor of the early Christian church and his goal was to eradicate the new religion.

We read in Acts 9:3-8, "As he (Saul) journeyed he came near Damascus, and suddenly a light shone around him from heaven.<sup>4</sup> Then he fell to the ground, and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me?"

#### PAUL'S CONVERSION IS A REMINDER THAT THE GOSPEL DEMANDS CHANGE.

• 1 Corinthians 5:17, "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation, old things have passed away; behold, all things become new."

### PAUL SPOKE OF SALVATION IN TERMS OF RADICAL CHANGE.

- "...a change from darkness to light" in Colossians 1:12-13;
- Ephesians 2:1-3 as "...a change from death to life";
- "...putting off the old and putting on the new in." Col. 4:22b-24

### SALVATION IS A TRANSFORMATION, NOT A TRANSITION.

The Bible is clear – GOD CAN CHANGE ANYONE.

#### **ACTION STEPS:**

- Has your life been changed by the power of God?
- Where are you in your journey with Jesus?
- Who has God used to encourage you in your journey? Take time to thank them.
- Who can you invest your life into to make a difference in their journey with Jesus.