



EASTER

Text: Acts 26:9-18

Topic(s): Transformation, resurrection

Big Idea of the Message: Stories of transformation are popular. They are endearing and inspiring. Easter is about radical life transformation. From the cross to an empty tomb, from death to promise of new life, from darkness to light.

Read Acts 26:8 - 18

Discussion Questions:

1. Think about a life transformed by Christ. What should be different? If you are comfortable, share a personal example.
2. In Philippians 3:3-6 Paul lists his “credentials”. He would have known Jewish scripture and teachings. In Acts 26:9 he says he was *convinced* he “...ought to do many things in opposing the name of Jesus.” (ESV). What do you think was motivating him? How can we be protected from the same things?
3. In verses 12-15 Paul realizes, (1) Jesus’ messages were true; (2) he was personally persecuting Jesus and (3) he was being called to follow, trust and obey Jesus. What do you need remind yourself about Jesus? About what it means to live a life In Christ?
4. In verses 16-18 Paul describes his transformed life. From a persecutor to evangelist to Gentiles, from darkness to light. How might Jesus be calling you to transform or further conform your life to His will, purpose and plans?