

“‘But Lord,’ I argued, ‘they certainly know that in every synagogue I imprisoned and beat those who believed in you. And I was in complete agreement when your witness Stephen was killed. I stood by and kept the coats they took off when they stoned him.’

“But the Lord said to me, ‘Go, for I will send you far away to the Gentiles!’”

- Acts 22:10-21

“The churches in Christ that are in Judea didn’t know me personally. All they knew was that people were saying, ‘The one who used to persecute us is now preaching the very faith he tried to destroy!’”

- Galatians 1:22-23

Join us again next Sunday, October 11, for the next message in the **To Live Is Christ** teaching series. Bring a friend to the 9:30 AM or 11:00 AM service.

My Next Step Today is to...

- ☐ Become a follower of Jesus Christ.
- ☐ Request information about believers baptism.
- ☐ Please sign me up for Fall Growth Group _____ (Tue, Wed, Thu, or Sat?).
- ☐ Attend the Trunk or Treat on Sunday evening, Oct 25, 5-7 PM



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“What Should I Do, Lord?”

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1. You can bring your best to the _____.

“Then Paul said, ‘I am a Jew, born in Tarsus, a city in Cilicia, and I was brought up and educated here in Jerusalem under Gamaliel. As his student, I was carefully trained in our Jewish laws and customs. I became very zealous to honor God in everything I did, just like all of you today. And I persecuted the followers of the Way, hounding some to death, arresting both men and women and throwing them in prison. The high priest and the whole council of elders can testify that this is so. For I received letters from them to our Jewish brothers in Damascus, authorizing me to bring the followers of the Way from there to Jerusalem, in chains, to be punished.’- Acts 22:1-5

"We put no confidence in human effort, though I could have confidence in my own effort if anyone could. Indeed, if others have reason for confidence in their own efforts, I have even more! I was circumcised when I was eight days old. I am a pure-blooded citizen of Israel and a member of the tribe of Benjamin—a real Hebrew if there ever was one! I was a member of the Pharisees, who demand the strictest obedience to the Jewish law. I was so zealous that I harshly persecuted the church. And as for righteousness, I obeyed the law without fault."

Philippians 3:3-6

2. Jesus will do what it takes to _____.

"As I was on the road, approaching Damascus about noon, a very bright light from heaven suddenly shone down around me. I fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to me, 'Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?'

"Who are you, lord?" I asked.

"And the voice replied, 'I am Jesus the Nazarene, the one you are persecuting.' The people with me saw the light but didn't understand the voice speaking to me."

Acts 22:6-9

"It is hard for you to kick against the goads."

- Acts 26:14

3. Your response to Jesus determines your _____.

"I asked, 'What should I do, Lord?'

"And the Lord told me, 'Get up and go into Damascus, and there you will be told everything you are to do.'

"I was blinded by the intense light and had to be led by the hand to Damascus by my companions.

A man named Ananias lived there. He was a godly man, deeply devoted to the law, and well regarded by all the Jews of Damascus. He came and stood beside me and said, 'Brother Saul, regain your sight.'

And that very moment I could see him!

"Then he told me, 'The God of our ancestors has chosen you to know his will and to see the Righteous One and hear him speak. For you are to be his witness, telling everyone what you have seen and heard.

What are you waiting for? Get up and be baptized.

Have your sins washed away

by calling on the name of the Lord.'

"After I returned to Jerusalem, I was praying in the Temple and fell into a trance. I saw a vision of Jesus saying to me, 'Hurry! Leave Jerusalem, for the people here won't accept your testimony about Me.'