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THE CALL TO PERSEVERE



TIME OF PREPARATION

The image features a light blue background with a central graphic. The graphic consists of a white rectangular frame with rounded corners. Inside the frame, there are three overlapping, light blue chevron shapes pointing to the right. The text "TIME TO STEP OUT" is written in a bold, italicized, black sans-serif font, centered within the frame. The text is split into two lines: "TIME TO" on the top line and "STEP OUT" on the bottom line.

***TIME TO
STEP OUT***

GALATIANS 1:15-17

But when God, who set me apart from my mother's womb and called me by his grace, was pleased to reveal his Son in me so that I might preach him among the Gentiles, my immediate response was not to consult any human being. I did not go up to Jerusalem to see those who were apostles before I was, but I went into Arabia. Later I returned to Damascus.

ACTS 9:19-21

Saul stayed with the believers in Damascus for a few days. And immediately he began preaching about Jesus in the synagogues saying, “He is indeed the Son of God!” All who heard him were amazed. Isn’t this the same man who caused such devastation among Jesus’ followers in Jerusalem? they asked. And didn’t he come here to arrest them and take them in chains to the leading priests?

ACTS 9:22

But Saul kept increasing in strength and confounding the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that this Jesus is the Christ.

ACTS 9:23–25

After a while, some of the Jews plotted together to kill him. They were watching for him day and night at the city gate so they could murder him, but Saul was told about their plot. So, during the night, some of the other believers lowered him in a large basket through an opening in the city wall.

The background features a light blue gradient with a central sunburst or starburst pattern. The pattern consists of numerous thin, light blue lines radiating from the center, creating a star-like effect. The overall color palette is various shades of blue, from light to medium.

TIMES OF CHALLENGES

ACTS 9:26–27

When Saul arrived in Jerusalem, he tried to meet with the believers, but they were all afraid of him. They did not believe he had truly become a believer! Then Barnabas brought him to the apostles and told them how Saul had seen the Lord on the way to Damascus and how the Lord had spoken to Saul. He also told them that Saul had preached boldly in the name of Jesus in Damascus.

ACTS 28:30

So Saul stayed with the apostles and went all around Jerusalem with them, preaching boldly in the name of the Lord. He debated with some Greek-speaking Jews, but they tried to murder him. When the believers heard about this, they took him down to Caesarea and sent him away to Tarsus.

A graphic design featuring a light blue background with a central rectangular area containing a cracked glass effect. The cracks are thin, dark lines radiating from a central point, creating a starburst pattern. The text is overlaid on this cracked area.

***TRIALS IN LIFE
AREN'T MEANT TO
DESTROY US.***

***YOUR TRIAL ISN'T EVIDENCE
OF GOD'S ABSENCE – IT SETS
THE STAGE FOR HIM TO
DEMONSTRATE HIS POWER.***

ROMANS 5:3-4

We can rejoice when we run into problems and trials, for we know that they help us develop endurance. And endurance develops strength of character, and character strengthens our confident hope of salvation.

*TIME OF
PROSPERING*



ACTS 9:31

The church then had peace throughout Judea, Galilee, and Samaria and it became stronger as the believers lived in the fear of the Lord. And with the encouragement of the Holy Spirit, it also grew in numbers.