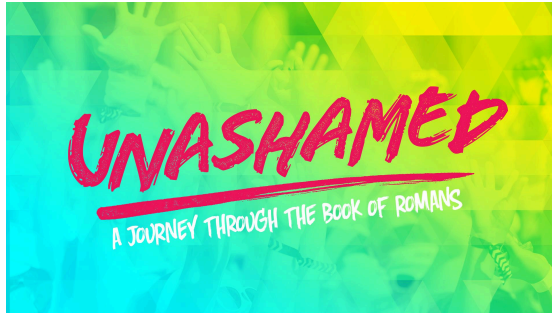




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Save the Lost · Grow the Saved

Week of September 7-13, 2025

Day 1: Transformed by Grace

Reading: Romans 1:1-7, Acts 9:1-19

Devotional: Paul's transformation from persecutor to apostle is a powerful testament to God's transformative grace. Like Paul, we all have a past that may seem incompatible with God's calling. Yet, God specializes in using the unlikely and unworthy for His glory. Reflect on your own journey - where has God's grace transformed you? How might He be calling you to step out in faith, despite your past or perceived inadequacies? Remember, it's not about our qualifications, but about God's power working through us. Pray for the courage to embrace God's calling, trusting in His transformative grace.

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Devotional: Paul was not ashamed of the Gospel because he had experienced its power firsthand. The same Gospel that transformed Saul into Paul can transform us today. It's not just a set of beliefs, but a living power that changes lives. Consider areas in your life where you need transformation. Are there attitudes, habits, or relationships that need the touch of God's power? Ask God to reveal His power in your life, making the Gospel not just something you believe, but something you experience and live out daily.

Devotional: Paul had impressive credentials and extensive religious knowledge, yet it was his encounter with Jesus that truly changed him. There's a vast difference between knowing about God and knowing God personally. Examine your own faith journey - is it primarily based on head knowledge or heart experience? Seek to deepen your relationship with God beyond mere facts and rituals. Pray for God to write His law on your heart, transforming your knowledge into a living, dynamic relationship with Him.

Devotional: When confronted with his sin, David responded with genuine repentance, not just regret. Similarly, Paul's encounter with Jesus led to a complete turnaround in his life. How do you respond when the Holy Spirit convicts you of sin? Do you become defensive, or do you allow that conviction to lead you to repentance and transformation? Ask God to soften your heart and make you sensitive to His voice. Pray for the courage to face your shortcomings honestly and the humility to seek God's forgiveness and transformation.

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Day 5: Never Go Back

Reading: Philippians 3:12-14, Luke 9:57-62

Devotional: Paul's life after his conversion was marked by a relentless pursuit of Christ, never looking back to his old life. Jesus also emphasized the importance of not turning back once we've decided to follow Him. In your own walk with God, are there areas where you're tempted to "go back" to old ways or attitudes? Remember that growth in Christ is always forward-moving. Identify any areas where you might be holding onto past habits or mindsets that hinder your spiritual growth. Commit these to God, asking for the strength to press on toward the goal of becoming more like Christ each day.

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