

GROWING DEEPER

Engage

If everything had gone according to your life- plan instead of God's plan, how would your life be different? What moments changed the trajectory of your life?

Explore

In 9:1-2, Saul is trying to completely exterminate the church. Why does Saul hate Christianity so much? Who are the modern Sauls and what methods do they use to destroy Christianity?

How is Saul persecuting Jesus according to Acts 9:3-9? How does the risen and reigning King Jesus see his relationship with his people? In Acts 9:10-19, what role does Stephen play in Saul's conversion? How has Stephen's simple yet still very fearful obedience impacted the entire world? What would be different if Stephen didn't obey the Lord?

In Acts 9:18, something like scales fell from Saul's eyes. How is salvation like seeing for the first time? What immediate evidences did Saul give to affirm a genuine conversion? How does faith show up in actions?

Apply

If you are a Christian, what are some of the similarities or differences between your conversion story and Saul's conversion? How have you changed?

What evidences should we look for to determine true conversion? What ways might the Christian community give false assurance to people who aren't converted?

What forms of persecution have you encountered because of your Christian faith? How did you respond?

Since Jesus says to Saul that persecuting the church is the same as persecuting him, how should this change the way we view, speak of and interact with our local church? What needs to change in your thoughts, words and actions for you to both have and communicate a high view of the church?



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A STUDY IN ACTS

CONVERSION 101:
WHEN GOD'S MISSION BECOMES YOURS

ACTS 9

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