



One on One with the One
Part 7 – I Was Blind, Now I See

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Acts 7:54-60, “⁵⁴ Now when they heard these things they were enraged, and they **ground their teeth** at him. ⁵⁵ But he, full of the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and **Jesus standing at the right hand of God**. ⁵⁶ And he said, “Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the **Son of Man standing at the right hand of God**.” ⁵⁷ But they cried out with a loud voice and **stopped their ears and rushed together** at him. ⁵⁸ Then they **cast him out** of the city and **stoned him**. And the witnesses laid down their garments at the feet of a **young man named Saul**. ⁵⁹ And as they were stoning Stephen, he called out, “Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.” ⁶⁰ And falling to his knees he cried out with a loud voice, “Lord, do not hold this sin against them.” And when he had said this, he fell asleep.”

Acts 8:1-3, “And **Saul approved of his execution**. And there arose on that day a **great persecution** against the church in Jerusalem, and they were all scattered throughout the regions of Judea and Samaria, except the apostles. ² Devout men **buried Stephen** and made great lamentation over him. ³ But **Saul was ravaging the church**, and entering house after house, he dragged off men and women and **committed them to prison**.”

1. Who are _____ without _____?

Acts 9:1-9, “But Saul, still **breathing threats** and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest ² and asked him for **letters** to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them **bound** to Jerusalem. ³ Now as he went on his way, he approached **Damascus**, and suddenly a **light from heaven** shone around him. ⁴ And falling to the ground, he heard a **voice** saying to him, “**Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?**” ⁵ And he said, “Who are you, Lord?” And he said, “**I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting**.” ⁶ But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do.” ⁷ The men who were traveling with him stood **speechless**, hearing the voice but **seeing no one**. ⁸ Saul rose from the ground, and although his eyes were opened, **he saw nothing**. So they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. ⁹ And for **three days** he was **without sight**, and **neither ate nor drank**.”

2. What are your _____ _____?

John 15:4, “⁴ **Abide in me, and I in you**. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me.”

Acts: 9:10-19, ¹⁰ Now there was a **disciple at Damascus named Ananias**. The Lord said to him in a vision, “Ananias.” And he said, “Here I am, Lord.” ¹¹ And the Lord said to him, “Rise and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a **man of Tarsus named Saul**, for behold, he is praying, ¹² and he has **seen in a vision** a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might **regain his sight**.” ¹³ But Ananias answered, “Lord, I have **heard** from many about this man, how much **evil** he has done to your saints at Jerusalem. ¹⁴ And here he has **authority** from the chief priests to bind all who call on your name.” ¹⁵ But the Lord said to him, “Go, for **he is a chosen instrument of mine** to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel. ¹⁶ For I will show him **how much he must suffer** for the sake of my name.” ¹⁷ So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him he said, “Brother Saul, **the Lord Jesus who appeared to you on the road** by which you came has sent me **so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit**.” ¹⁸ And immediately something like **scales fell from his eyes**, and he **regained his sight**. Then he rose and was **baptized**; ¹⁹ and taking food, he was strengthened.”

Proverbs 16:9, “The heart of **man plans his way**, but the **Lord establishes his steps**.”

3. Are you _____ for real _____?

Philippians 3:4-11, “⁴ though I myself have **reason for confidence** in the **flesh** also. If anyone else thinks he has reason for confidence in the flesh, **I have more**: ⁵ **circumcised** on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of **Benjamin**, a **Hebrew** of Hebrews; as to the law, a **Pharisee**; ⁶ as to zeal, a **persecutor** of the church; as to righteousness under the law, **blameless**. ⁷ But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸ Indeed, **I count everything as loss** because of the surpassing worth of **knowing Christ Jesus my Lord**. For his sake I have **suffered the loss of all things** and count them as **rubbish**, in order that I may **gain Christ** ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through **faith in Christ**, the righteousness from God that depends on faith, ¹⁰ that **I may know him** and the **power of his resurrection**, and may **share his sufferings**, becoming like him in his **death**, ¹¹ that by any means possible I may **attain the resurrection** from the dead.”

2 Timothy 4:7-8 (NIV), “⁷ I have **fought the good fight**, I have **finished the race**, I have **kept the faith**. ⁸ Now there is in store for me the **crown of righteousness**, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day—and **not only to me**, but also **to all who have longed for his appearing**.”