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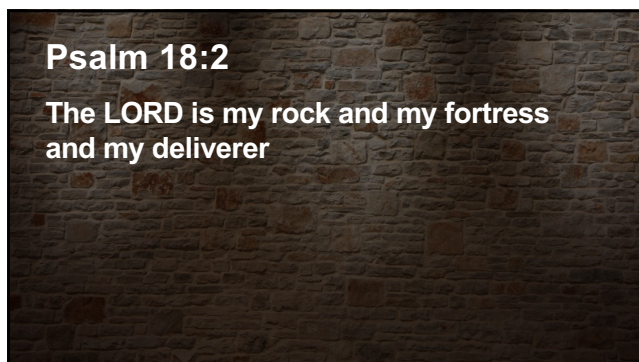
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### Dokimazō

- 1. to test, examine, prove, scrutinize (to see whether a thing is genuine or not), as metals
- 2. to recognize as genuine after examination, to approve, deem worthy

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### God in Three Persons

Person	Revelation
God the Father	Adopted Father
God the Son	Jesus as only Begotten Son, Our Brother
God the Holy Spirit	Parakletos Our Helper, Comforter, Teacher, Reminder

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### Perception Against Deception

- 1. Enemy that appears as a friend
- 2. Friend that appears as an enemy

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### Authenticity Tests

- 1. **Biblical:** Talk about the biblical Jesus?
- 2. **Approval:** Seek approval of God or the world?
- 3. **Love:** Love of the world or love of God
- 4. **Source:** God, man or the devil

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### Acts 9:1-19

1 Then Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest 2 and asked letters from him to the synagogues of Damascus, so that if he found any who were of the Way, whether men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem.

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### The Way

The name **the Way** was the original name the early believers called themselves. The name **Christian** (Little Christ) was what the world called them starting in Antioch. **The Way** implies more than a belief or a set of opinions or doctrines. Following Jesus is a way of living as well as believing.

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### John 14:6

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

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### Acts 9:1-19

3 As he journeyed he came near Damascus, and suddenly a light shone around him from heaven. 4 Then he fell to the ground, and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me?" 5 And he said, "Who are You, Lord?" Then the Lord said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. It is hard for you to kick against the goads"

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### Most Important Questions to Ask

1. Who are You, Lord?
2. What do You want me to do?

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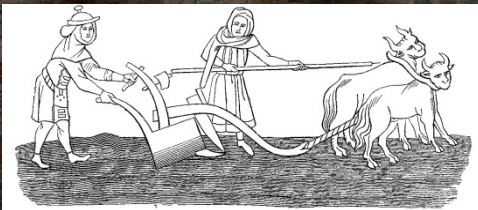
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### Goad



A goad was a long, extremely sharp stick used to get an ox going the way you wanted when plowing.

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### Acts 9:1-19

6 So he, trembling and astonished, said, "Lord, what do You want me to do?" Then the Lord said to him, "Arise and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do."7 And the men who journeyed with him stood speechless, hearing a voice but seeing no one.

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### Acts 9:1-19

8 Then Saul arose from the ground, and when his eyes were opened he saw no one. But they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. 9 And he was three days without sight, and neither ate nor drank. 10 Now there was a certain disciple at Damascus named Ananias; and to him the Lord said in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord."

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**Acts 9:1-19**

11 So the Lord said to him, "Arise and go to the street called Straight, and inquire at the house of Judas for one called Saul of Tarsus, for behold, he is praying. 12 And in a vision he has seen a man named Ananias coming in and putting his hand on him, so that he might receive his sight."

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**Acts 9:1-19**

13 Then Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much harm he has done to Your saints in Jerusalem. 14 And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on Your name."

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**Acts 9:1-19**

15 But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen vessel of Mine to bear My name before Gentiles, kings, and the children of Israel. 16 For I will show him how many things he must suffer for My name's sake."

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### Perfected Strength

“...there must be the weakness of man, felt, recognized, and mourned over, or else the strength of the Son of God will never be perfected in us.”

-Charles Spurgeon

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### Acts 9:1-19

17 And Ananias went his way and entered the house; and laying his hands on him he said, “Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you came, has sent me that you may receive your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit.”

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### Acts 9:1-19

18 Immediately there fell from his eyes something like scales, and he received his sight at once; and he arose and was baptized. 19 So when he had received food, he was strengthened. Then Saul spent some days with the disciples at Damascus.

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### Doing Something Right

By definition, righteousness is doing something right. We've reduced it to doing nothing wrong.

- Mark Batterson

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### Sins of Commission

Sins of Commission are **actions done** that directly contradict the Word and the will of God

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### Sins of Omission

Sins of omission are those **actions undone** that are commanded by the Word and the will of God

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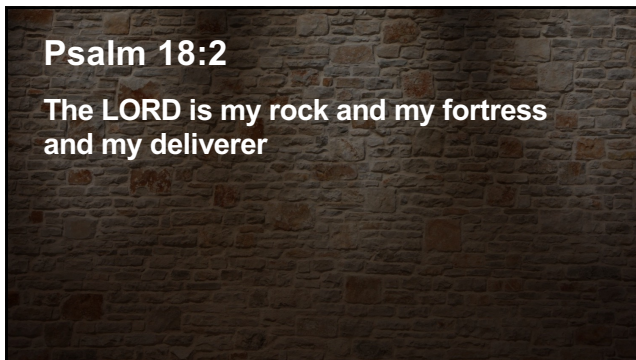
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