

Sermon Handout: New Identity, New Mission | Nurturing In Faith Sermon Series

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Key Passage: Acts 9:19b-31, Galatians 2:19-20

Introduction: Transformed by Christ, Entrusted with a New Mission

In this sermon, we explored how Saul's dramatic encounter with Christ not only transformed him but also entrusted him with a new mission. Like Saul, each of us is called to step into a new identity and embrace the mission God has for us.

Reflective Questions:

❖ **Understanding Transformation**

- Reflect on your own 'Road to Damascus' moment. How has encountering Christ transformed your identity?
- What were the initial changes you noticed in your life after this encounter?

❖ **Embracing the New Mission**

- What mission do you believe God has entrusted to you in this season of your life?
- How does this mission challenge you to step out of your comfort zone?

❖ **Overcoming Challenges**

- Saul faced significant resistance when he started his mission. What are some of the challenges you face today as you live out your faith?
- How can you demonstrate resilience in the face of these challenges?

❖ **Real-Life Application**

- Think of a recent time when you had the opportunity to show Christ's love through your actions. What did you do? How did it feel?
- How can you be more proactive in finding opportunities to serve and witness to others this week?

❖ **Reflection on Community Impact**

- How can your transformation influence those around you?
- In what ways can you support your fellow believers in their own journeys of faith and mission?

Call to Action:

This week, choose one specific action that will demonstrate your transformed identity in Christ. Whether it's sharing your faith story, helping someone in need, or taking a bold step of faith, commit to this action. Write it down here:

Action Commitment:

Why It Matters:

Embracing our new identity and engaging in our mission are essential not only for our personal growth but also for impacting the world around us. Each step we take in faith is a step towards fulfilling God's purpose for our lives and for His Kingdom. Let's pray together that God will strengthen us to live out our new identity and mission every day.