



From Calling to Deployment

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BIG IDEA: God _____ who He _____. Calling may be *immediate*, but the preparation is a *process*.

Lessons from Acts 9:18-31

1. Immediate _____ does not mean immediate _____ (v.v. 19-22)
 - **Key Truth:** Obedience is to be instant... fruit comes _____
 - *Faithfulness* _____ *fruitfulness* Psalm 1:1-3; John 15:1-5; James 5:7-8
2. God often uses _____ seasons to prepare for future _____ (v.v. 23-25)
Galatians 1:15-18
 - **Key Truth:** God often does His _____ in seasons no one sees
 - **Human Reality:** Many love the *idea* of calling but resist the *reality* of preparation
3. Sometimes we need a *perspective shift*:
 - Reframe opposition as _____, not _____ (v.v. 23-25)
 - **Key Truth:** Following Jesus will **NOT** make your life easier, but it will bring new *meaning*, *purpose*, and *power* (Acts 1:8)
4. We all need _____ to help us grow spiritually and step into our calling (v.v. 26-30)
 - **Key Truth:** You cannot fulfill your calling in _____

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WHY does it matter/**WHAT** does it mean for me?

1. Don't despise your _____ season... especially if _____
 - **Ask:**
 - *Am I trusting God's timing?*
 - *Where might I be rushing what God is developing?*

2. Stay faithful even when _____ feels slow... especially if _____
 - **Ask:**
 - *Where do I need to keep showing up and obeying?*
 - *What has God already asked me to do?*
 - *Am I faithfully doing it?*

3. Expect resistance, but don't _____
 - **Ask:**
 - *Where am I tempted to back off?*
 - *What would it look like to stay faithful?*
 - *Even if it costs me in the short-term?*

4. Get _____! Don't try to go it alone!
 - **Ask:**
 - *Am I really connected in a biblical community that can call me forward?*
 - *Who has been a "Barnabas" to me? Who can I be a "Barnabas" to right now?*

Memory Verse:

Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends.
John 15:13 ESV

Recommended Resources:

[Becoming a 3C Disciple](#) message series (January 2026)

[Acts Series](#)

[Life of the Apostle Paul Infographic](#)



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My next step today is to...

- Memorize John 15:13
- Repent and accept Jesus as my Savior and submit to His Lordship for the first time!
- Go public as a follower of Jesus and get baptized
- Sign up for a Summer Group
- Read Acts chapter 9 this week
- Check out the Sunday Extra Podcast to go deeper with the discussion on Acts
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