

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Open your group with a prayer. Use this sheet as a guide; select the points you want to discuss.

GETTING STARTED

1. How are you at following directions? Has GPS ever led you astray?
2. Share a bite-sized summary of where and how you met Jesus.

DIGGING DEEPER

3. Read Acts 9:1-2. What efforts did Saul go to in order to persecute Christians? Why such hatred?
4. Read Acts 9:3-9. Jesus says Saul is persecuting *Him*. What does this mean?
5. What do you think Saul's companions thought?
6. Why do you think God chose this method for Saul?
7. Read vv.10-19. Discuss Ananias' reluctance. Have you ever been reluctant?
8. How did God show grace to Ananias?
9. In v.18-22, What happens to Saul after baptism? What does he do? What

(who) is the source of his dramatic change?

10. What was the response of Christians when Saul tried to meet with them in vv. 26-31? Why was Barnabas willing to intercede? What can we learn from Barnabas?

LIVING IT OUT

11. What changed immediately after you accepted Jesus as Savior?
12. Who are some folks with whom you fear sharing the Gospel or consider lost causes? How does this passage address that?
13. Saul's conversion suggests 3 marks of a Christian: 1) acknowledging the error of old beliefs 2) acknowledging Jesus as Savior & Lord 3) going in a new direction with service given priority. Which mark is weakest for you?

CHANGING YOUR MIND

"This man is my chosen instrument to carry my name."

- Acts 9:15 NIV

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