

Take It Home

Applying the Preached Word



Acts: Transformed by the Risen Christ

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NOTE: In addition to the Take It Home questions below, further information and application questions related to this message are available in the Acts Study Guide. The Study Guide can be picked up on a Sunday morning or accessed as a PDF file on our web site (www.covfel.org) by going to the HOME PAGE > RESOURCES > CURRENT SERIES. Then scroll down to the study guide link. Each study corresponds to a preaching passage in the series.

Text: Acts 9:1-31

Main Point: The transforming power of the risen Christ changes lives, even those most hostile to the gospel.

Key Ideas:

We see this in Saul's life in Acts 9:

1. An enemy is conquered (verses 1-9).
2. A sinner is converted (verses 10-19).
3. An instrument is commissioned (verses 20-31).

Fellowship Starters

Treasure - Application to stir our love for Christ

1. Scripture tells us we were enemies of God prior to conversion. What means did God use to bring you to a saving knowledge of himself?
2. Think of the enemies in your life. Now consider that Christ subdues and conquers our enemies, and ultimately they will not stand against us. What does that truth stir in your heart? What are some ways you can express that to God?

Grow - Application to stir our obedience to Christ

3. How would you rate your current level of passion for Christ? What are some factors that result in greater passion? What causes your passion to wane?
4. How does your participation in the local church reflect your passion for Christ?

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Proclaim - Application to stir our witness for Christ

5. How does the fact God delights to save 'impossible' people affect your faith toward sharing the gospel? Were you one of those 'impossible' people? Consider sharing your testimony with your brothers and sisters in Christ this week.

6. How is the Acts series in general, and Saul's conversion specifically equipping you for evangelism?

Song Set

Holy, Holy Holy - traditional hymn

Happy Day - found on the album *Holding Nothing Back* by Tim Hughes

Nothing Better than Jesus - found on the album *To Be Like Jesus* by Sovereign Grace Music

The Gospel Song - found on the album *Songs for the Cross Centered Life* by Sovereign Grace Music

Before the Throne of God Above - found on the album *Songs for the Cross Centered Life* by Sovereign Grace Music

Peace - found on the album *Walking with the Wise* by Sovereign Grace Music

Greater Than We Can Imagine - found on the album *Psalms* by Sovereign Grace Music