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**LESSON 9**

 **ACTS 9:1-31**

1. Thinking back to last week’s lesson in **Acts 8**, which verses or truths have taken root and how did that play out in your daily routine?

2. As you read **Acts 9:1-31**, list all the ways you see **Jesus** and the **Holy Spirit** working.

3. Why was Saul traveling to Damascus as described in **V1-2**? Look back to **Acts 7:57-8:3** also.

4. From **Acts 9:3-9,** what does Saul see and hear? What does he realize to be true about **Jesus** and what was the condition of Saul after this event?

5. According to **V10-16**, what did the **Lord** ask of Ananias, what were Ananias’ reservations, and how did the **Lord** convince him to do as he was instructed?

6. What dramatic changes happened in Saul (**V17-22)** and how did Jews in Damascus initially receive him?

7. a) From **V23-25,** how did life become more difficult for Saul and what truth did Saul learn during this time as he would later write in **2 Corinthians 11:30-33**?

 b) When have you had the opportunity to boast about the power of **Jesus** because of your weakness?

8. Read the account of Saul (later called Paul) in **Galatians 1:11-20**. What impresses you about Paul’s story and how does this information change your view of **Jesus’** call on his life?

9. In **Acts 9:26-27,** what role did Barnabas play in Saul’s life? Describe a time you needed a Barnabas or you have been a Barnabas for someone else.

10. As you read **V28-31,** what was happening in the church? Put in your own words what it means to live in the fear of the **Lord** and to be encouraged by the **Holy Spirit**.

11. **REFLECT ON THE WORDS OF JESUS**

 In **John 8:12b** **Jesus** says, **“I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.**” Write a prayer for the scales to fall from the eyes of your friends and loved ones who are still walking in darkness rather than the light of **Jesus**.

**NAME PRAYER REQUEST**