

Core Class: Acts: part 3

Acts: Paul's Conversion & Testimony

Week 24

✚ WHAT IS YOUR TESTIMONY?

Use the space below to write your salvation testimony. Bear witness of how Jesus saved you from darkness to light.

✚ PAUL'S TESTIMONY. (Acts 9, 22 & 26)

- Acts (Luke) records Paul's Conversion story 3 times.
 1. Luke tells Paul's Story – Acts 9
 2. Paul tells His Story in Jerusalem – Acts 22
 3. Paul tells His Story before King Agrippa – Acts 26
- Paul's Testimony is an example for us – 1 Tim. 1:12-17

✚ READ ACTS 26.

✚ PAUL'S STORY IS ABOUT KNOWING JESUS (Acts 26:15)

- LORD
- Light of the World – Where else have we seen God's Glory (Light) radiate in and around a person?
 1. Moses' Face – Ex. 34:29-35
 2. Transfiguration - Luke 9:28–36
 3. Jesus – Rev. 1:12-18
- The One who Paul was (we are) persecuting.

✚ PAUL'S STORY IS ABOUT KNOWING YOURSELF IN LIGHT OF WHO JESUS IS (Acts 9 & 26)

- We are powerless in the presence of Jesus – *knocked down*
- We are humbled in the presence of Jesus – *blinded*
- We see the pointlessness of life without Jesus – “*Why do we kick against the goads?*”
 1. Goads – sharpened sticks / cattle prods / barbed wire
- We see the offensiveness of our life without Jesus – “*Why are you persecuting Me?*”

✚ PAUL'S STORY IS ABOUT SUBMITTING TOTALLY AND COMPLETELY TO THE PURPOSE AND MISSION OF THE GOSPEL (Acts 26:14-23)

- Appointed Witnesses.
- Commissioned with the Gospel for all People
 - Open the Eyes to see and
 - Turn from Darkness to Light
 - Turn from Power of Satan to the Power of God.
 - Receive forgiveness of sins and sanctified by faith in Jesus Christ.
- Devoted Life of Obedience

✚ OUR STORY FOLLOW PAUL'S EXAMPLE.

- If you have Amazon Prime Video, watch *I, Paul*. It is a dramatic and compelling portrayal of Paul in prison writing to his second letter to Timothy. The link is on our web page.