

## Book Study #8

## ACTS

## Acts 9:1-43

### Saul's Conversion – Saul in Damascus and Jerusalem – Aeneas and Dorcas

#### Before we begin this journey...

1. If you could have a surprise visit from someone, whom would you want to visit you?
2. If you could make one significant change in your life this year, what would it be?
3. What would you find easy or hard about helping paraplegics learn to live with their disabilities or inner-city poor people find jobs?

#### Do Some Research and Mapping...

4. In your own words tell what happened to Saul in these first nine verses? (9:1-9)
5. Who was Ananias and what did the Lord instruct Ananias to do? (9:10-12)
6. Why was Ananias reluctant to do as the Lord asked? (9:13-14)
7. How did God persuade Ananias that it was all right to go to Saul? (9:15-16)
8. What did the Jews plan for Saul? Why? (9:22-23) How did Saul outwit his enemies? (9:24-25)
9. What did Saul do while he was with the apostles? (9:28-29)
10. What did Tabitha (Dorcas) do in Joppa? (9:36) What happened to Dorcas? (9:37)
11. What did Peter do when he was alone with the dead woman? (9:40-41)
12. How did the miracle of raising Tabitha further the kingdom of God? (9:42)

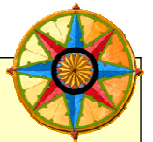
#### Sort, Organize, Discuss, Understand...

13. What do older, more mature Christians have to offer younger, less mature Christians?
14. How can you be a guide and help to younger Christians in your church?
15. Why do unbelievers sometimes oppose those who tell others about Christ?
16. In what ways can a new Christian have a unique witness to friends and associates?
17. Why are the signs and wonders of the early church largely absent from the Christian community today?
18. Why do some Christians suffer and die, while others are healed of their sickness?



#### Application for this week...

19. What is one thing you could do this week to help a younger Christian grow in his or her faith?
20. This week, how can you prepare for discussions about God with your coworkers or non-Christian friends?
21. What can you do to give help to a widow who needs assistance or an orphan, homeless and less fortunate/weaker in society?



#### Reflection

What do I have to offer to a younger or less fortunate who live around me?

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How will I prepare by...

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*A prayer for your journey... “Lord Jesus, as I walk through this coming week, help me prepare for my journey by reading my Bible more regularly, seeking help as I need it from my Christian friends and focusing on the needs of others instead of myself. Help me to demonstrate my faith by stepping into the unknown, untried, and untested areas of my life.” -Amen*