A Transformed Life and a Prepared Sent-ness

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- A. A Zealous Life with a Wrong Purpose (Saul/Paul before Damascus Road)B. An Aimless Life with No Purpose (Dam circa 2002-2004)
- C. A(n) _____ Life with ____ Purpose (You)

II. A Life without Christ to a Transformed Life with Christ (Acts 9:1-19a)

- Breathing Murderous Threats against the Disciples of the Lord to Living as a Missionary making Disciples of the Lord (v. 1)
- ▶ Binding Up Those in the Way to Preparing the Way (v. 2, Acts 7:58, John 14:6)
- Persecuting Jesus to Proclaiming Jesus (v. 4-5)
- ▶ Hating the Church to Loving Christ's Body, the Church (v. 4-5, Eph. 4:15-16)
- ▶ Kicking Against the Goads to Following the Holy Spirit (Acts 26:14)
- Walking in Blindness to Knowing the Light of the World (v. 8-9, John 8:12)
- Tooting My Own Horn to Glorifying Christ as a Chosen Instrument (v. 15)
- Living a Comfortable Life to Suffering for the Sake of Jesus' Name (v. 16)
- Working as a Lone Wolf to Partnering with Brothers and Sisters in Christ (v. 17, 27)

III. A Prepared Sent-ness (Acts 9:19b-31)

- A. Who are you, Lord? (John 17:3)
 - 1. The Fear of the Lord (v. 31)
 - 2. The Body of Christ, the Church, as Head (v. 4-5, Eph. 1:22-23, Eph. 4:15-16)
 - 3. The Comfort of the Holy Spirit (v. 31)

When God Saves Sinners, No One is Too Far Gone

B. Who am I, Lord?

- 1. We Die (Romans 6:6, 2 Corinthians 5:17, Galatians 2:20)
- 2. We Decrease (John 3:30, Saul to Paul: "small")
- 3. We Declare Defeat (Philippians 3:8-10, John 12:24-25)

When God Saves Sinners, He Makes Them a New Person and Gives A New Purpose

C. What shall I do, Lord? (Acts 22:10)

- 1. We are all Called to be Instruments for His Glory (v. 15-16, Rom. 9)
- 2. We are all Living, Preparing, Proclaiming, Loving, Following, Knowing, Glorifying, Suffering, Partnering (see above)
- 3. We are all Being Prepared for Sent-ness (v. 30)

When God Saves Sinners, One of the Byproducts is Sent-ness