

The Most Unlikely Viral Evangelist
Sermon # 10, Acts 9:1-31

Main Point: *The grace of Jesus is more than abundant to transform the worst of sinners into a viral evangelist.*

Getting to Know You

1. What modern people would be examples of unlikely promoters of Christianity, on par with Saul of Tarsus?

Getting into the Book

Read Acts 7:58; 8:1, 3; 9:1-2

1. What was Saul's ambition in life before Jesus took hold of him?
2. Why do you think he was so opposed to Christ and His followers? See Acts 22:3-5

Read Acts 9:3-9

3. Make some specific observations about what happened to Saul on his journey to Damascus?
4. What parts of this account show that Saul was humbled by Jesus?

Read Acts 9:10-19a

5. What were Ananias' reactions to Jesus' call for him to go and visit Saul?
6. What does Ananias' role in ministering to Saul tell us about the importance of ministering to new believers?
7. What did Jesus say was His purpose in choosing Saul? See 9:15-16.
 - a. Think of specific examples of how Jesus' promise about Saul's life came to pass.

Getting Out There

8. Read 1 Timothy 1:12-16. What reason did Saul/Paul give for why Jesus extended His mercy to him? (see verse 16)
9. Think about some people in your life who are hard hearted toward God. How does Saul's conversion encourage you in your ministry to these people?
10. Paul shared his testimony in Acts 22:1-21 and 26:1-32. God used, and continues to use, Saul's story to impact peoples' lives. How has (or how can) God used your past to go viral for Him in the future?
11. Who are you reaching?
 - a. Have you been praying for three people to come to Christ?
 - b. Have you reached out to them in relationship?
 - c. Have you reached in with the gospel?

Reminder: If you have not done so, fill out a "My Faith Story" card and turn it in at church.

Pray

Praise God for His miraculous grace to break into peoples' lives to save them and employ them in ministry! Pray that God will do the same in our community. Pray that we will be a church that trusts God for miraculous conversions of lost people.