

The conversion of the Apostle Paul

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First mention of Paul (Saul) is Acts 7:54 through 8:34

Acts Chapter 9 This is Paul on the road to Damascus

- Vs 6- You will be told what you MUST do

MUST:

Mark 8:31; Luke 9:22; Luke 24:44; John 3:30; John 3:14; John 4:24; Acts 4:12;

Acts 16:30; 2 Corinthians 5:10

Acts Chapter 9

- Vs 1-9 "Who are you Lord?"
- Vss 10-19 Ananias sent to Saul
- Vss 20-22 Paul preaches Christ and grew in strength
- Vss 23-31 Paul had threats, and experienced various responses from people due to his former life
 - o Vss 23-24 Jews wanted to slay him/watched for him
 - o Vs 25 Disciples assisted in his escape
 - o Vs 26 Church in Jerusalem was afraid of him
 - o Vs 27 BUT...Barnabus took him/brought him to the Apostles
 - Vouched for his conversion
 - Told how he preached boldly in Damascus

Acts 13:9 Saul is called Paul

Paul preached Christ; Death, Burial and Resurrection

- Vs 50 Was driven out of their region because they didn't like what he preached

Acts 14 Performed miracles

- Vss 6-10 lame man at Lystra
- Vs 19 Paul stoned

Acts 22 Paul's personal defense and background

- Vs 10 You'll be told all that you will do
- Vss 14-15 Paul's God given purpose
- Vs 16 "Why do you wait?"

Acts 25 Paul appeals to Caesar

Acts 26 Paul before Agrippa

- Vss 9-18; 19-23 Background, former beliefs
- Vs 24 Festus speaks up
- Vs 25 "I speak the words of truth"

Romans Chapter 1

- Vs 1 A servant of Christ
- Vs 14 A debtor
- Vs 15 Ready to preach
- Vs 16 Not ashamed of the Gospel

Romans Chapter 5

- Vs 6 We are ungodly
- Vs 8 Sinners
- Vs 9 Justified
- Vss 10-11 Once Enemies of God, Now Reconciled, Saved

Philippians 3 Confidence of Paul in the flesh

- Vs 4 More confidence in the flesh than anyone else
- Vs 6 Great zeal, blameless under the Law
- Vs 7 BUT... I counted it all for loss for Christ, for...
 - o Vs 8 the value of KNOWING my lord Jesus Christ
 - o Vs 9 that I may be Found in Him
 - o Vs 10 that I may KNOW Him

COUNT The COST of being a Disciple

- Luke 14:33

The pattern of Paul's prayer for others:

- 1 Timothy 1:12,16,17

2 Timothy 3:10-11

¹⁰ You, however, have followed my teaching, my conduct, my aim in life, my faith, my patience, my love, my steadfastness, ¹¹ my persecutions and sufferings that happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium, and at Lystra—which persecutions I endured; yet from them all the Lord rescued me.

2 Timothy 4:6-8

⁶For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing.

1 Thessalonians 1:3

- your Work of faith (inspired)
- your Labor of Love (prompted)
- your Patience of Hope (founded)

- Paul wrote 13 books of the New Testament
 - to churches
 - to individuals
 - wrote while on missionary journeys
 - after traveling on missionary journeys
 - while in prison