

Acts 9

- 1) At the time described at the beginning of Acts 9, had Saul's attitude towards the saints changed at all? How did it change by Acts 9:19?
- 2) What was Saul's purpose for going to Damascus? What happened as he neared Damascus?
- 3) What figure of speech did Jesus use to describe Saul's resistance and persecutions? What does it mean?
- 4) Did Jesus visibly appear to Saul? (*see Acts 9:27; 1 Cor. 9:1; 15:8*) Why would it have been necessary for Saul to have seen Jesus? (*for help, see Acts 1:22*)
- 5) Some people allege a contradiction between Acts 9:7 and Acts 22:9: From John 12:28, 29, what explanation harmonizes the texts?
- 6) What happened to Saul physically as a result of this incident?
- 7) How did Ananias react to the Lord's instructions to him concerning Saul? How does this compare to others, described in verses 21 & 26?
- 8) Ananias would interrupt Saul's praying and teach him baptism (vs. 11, 18). What does this say about "mourners bench" salvation?
- 9) What did the Jews try to do to Saul after his conversion? Where did he go, and what did he try to do when he got there?
- 10) What was the condition of the churches in those days? (v. 31)
- 11) To which other apostle does the narrative shift in the later part of Acts 9? What great miracle did he work in Joppa?