

THE GOING GOSPEL

THE CONVERSION OF SAUL

Acts 9:1-19a

Sunday, July 14, 2024

Gospel Truth: God accomplishes the salvation of people and the spread of the gospel.

Fast Facts about Saul

1. He was a Jew born around AD 5-10 in Tarsus (modern day Turkey) and was a Roman citizen.
2. He was trained at a young age by Gamaliel (the most respected rabbi around) and excelled in Old Testament Scripture, Jewish history, and keeping Jewish laws.
3. He acted aggressively and violently trying to stop Christians and Christianity.
4. He encountered the resurrected Jesus around AD 33/34 and was converted.
5. He spread the gospel the remainder of his life, traveling and suffering for the gospel until his martyrdom around mid to late AD 60's.

I. The _____ of a Persecutor - Saul

- A. Saul _____ in ravaging the church with threats and murder.
- B. Saul _____ men and women of the Way to bring them bound to Jerusalem.

Point: Some lost people are convinced that Christians deserve _____ and _____.

II. The _____ by the Persecuted - Jesus

- A. Saul saw a _____.
- B. Saul fell to the _____.
- C. Saul heard a _____.

Point 1: Jesus is _____!

Point 2: Jesus _____ to Saul.

III. The _____ of the Blind - Saul

- A. Saul opened his eyes, but could not _____.
- B. Saul walked, but needed _____.

Point: God can render _____ helpless _____ He chooses.

IV. The _____ to a Disciple - Ananias

- A. The Lord _____ Ananias to go to Saul.
- B. Ananias _____ reluctance to obey because of Saul's reputation.
- C. The Lord _____ Ananias that Saul was His chosen instrument.
- D. Ananias _____ the Lord.

Point: God knows what He is doing and accomplishes His purposes, so let's _____ and _____ Him.

V. The _____ - Saul

- A. Saul _____ in Jesus.
- B. Saul was _____ with the Holy Spirit.
- C. Saul _____ his sight.
- D. Saul was _____.

Point: When God _____ the gospel to you, respond by repenting, believing, and being baptized.

VI. The _____ of God - Sovereignty

- A. God _____ to save Saul and use him to spread the gospel.
- B. God _____ Saul.
- C. God _____ the gospel through Saul to Gentiles and Jews impacting Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and even the remotest part of the earth for generations to come.

Point 1: God's grace is _____!

Point 2: God can save anybody, even those thought to be _____!

Point 3: God is _____!



WORSHIP GATHERING

“One True God”

WELCOME & PRAYER

“Saved My Soul”

“Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)”

PRAYER

“I Saw the Light”

MESSAGE

PRAYER AND COMMITMENT

CLOSING PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Everyone is invited to a **church-wide Gathering at the GAPP** today from 5:00-6:30 p.m. Come enjoy great fellowship as well as hamburgers, hotdogs, sno-cones, popcorn, and games (9-square, cornhole, water balloon launcher, & more). The GAPP is located on the south end of the church campus behind the 301 building. Also, come see the significant improvements to the church property and additions to our athletic complex. Golf cart rides will be available to and from the parking lot. Bring your lawn chair.

Come see the **new mission house** located at 522 Manchester Drive (Pearl) Sunday, July 21 from 12:00-2:00 p.m.! Also, there are still a few envelopes remaining on the table in the sanctuary if you would like to help offset expenses associated with painting, new floors, and furnishings.

The next **Meal & Message** is Sunday, July 28 at 5:15 p.m. in the gym. The quarterly business meeting will follow the meal. Childcare will be provided (4 & under) during the business meeting and teaching portion.

The following **deacon nominees** are to be voted on (by ballot, based on a majority vote) during the quarterly business meeting Sunday night, July 28: Eddie Coleman (non-ordained), John McLendon (non-ordained), Jason Courtney, Jimmy Holden, Phil Hunt, Wesley Taylor, & Doyle Whitehead. Members may vote for one, some, or all of the men to serve as deacons. See deacon handout for more information about the nominees.

Please continue praying for **Daniel Bray** (new Associate Pastor), Amanda, and their family during this time of transition as they prepare to move to the area. There will be a welcome reception for Daniel Sunday, July 28 from 4:30-5:15 p.m. in Boatner Hall before the Meal & Message.

Mark your calendars for the next **doctrinal study** Sunday, August 11 from 4:00-6:45 p.m. in Boatner Hall. Dr. Shawn Parker, Executive Director-Treasurer of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, will be teaching on the doctrine of God (Theology).

All students (7th-12th grade) are invited to participate in **Picnic and Pickleball** Monday, July 15 at 10:00 a.m. at Winner Circle Park in Flowood. See Eli Rank or Sunny McGehee for more details!

Let's Go Fishing! All senior adults are invited to meet at **Jerry's Catfish House** in Florence Thursday, July 18 at 4:30 p.m. Sign up at the table near the elevator.

All ladies are invited to the last **Summer Women's Connection** Thursday, July 25 from 6:00-8:30 p.m. in Boatner Hall. The theme is Christmas in July. Bring a Christmas party food!

The prison ministry is collecting new or used soft cover **Bibles for inmates**. Bibles may be placed in the box in the hallway. See Michael Holyfield for more information.

REJOICING OVER DECISIONS MADE

This Week



Rhonda Daniels

*Requesting Membership
by Transfer of Letter*

CONTRIBUTION REPORT

6/30/24

Weekly Budget Receipts	\$27,120
Weekly Budget Required	\$35,660
Giving over (under) budget	(\$8,540)
Global Impact	\$0
Construction & Renovation	\$0
Other	\$724
Total Received	\$27,844

7/7/24

Weekly Budget Receipts	\$54,248
Weekly Budget Required	\$35,660
Giving over (under) budget	\$18,588
Global Impact	\$200
Construction & Renovation	\$50
Other	\$4,163
Total Received	\$58,661

YTD Budget Needed	\$962,812
YTD Budget Received	\$909,538

MISSIONS HIGHLIGHT

Be like Philip - consider, pray, obey, and “run-to” one of these opportunities to share the Gospel Truth! Contact Michael at 601-759-0934 today, tomorrow, this week for these “run-to” opportunities:

- July 23-29 - Outreach to Somalians/Muslims in Kansas City, Mo
- August 1-10 - Outreach in Turkey

Keep a “sent” mindset: be a part of God's detour and someone's salvation this week!



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