

'Terrorism to transformation' - Acts 9:1-19a

Background on Saul the terrorist: (Acts 9:1-2)

- Gal. 1:13-14; 1 Cor. 15:9; Acts 7:58;
- Rom. 9:1-2; Eph. 1:4

1. Transformation is **POWERFUL** (Acts 9:3-6)
2. Transformation happens by God's **GRACE** (9:7-9)
 - Galatians 1:15,
3. Transformation leads to **OBEDIENCE** (9:8-9)
4. Transformation leads to **MISSION** (Acts 13-19a)
 - 1 Timothy 1:15-16

Application questions:

1-In what ways does Saul's transformation demonstrate God's grace?

2-Saul's experience in chapter nine is a confrontation with the resurrected Christ. Should, or should we not fear confrontational moments with God? Why or why not?

3-With whom do you identify more in this study? Saul or Ananias? Why?

4-Like Ananias first did, why do we write some people off as not having the ability to change?

5-Transformation is an on-going process. Describe how God's transforming power has taken hold in your life to make you more like Christ, especially since the pandemic began 6 months ago?

6-How has your life been changed by the power of the Holy Spirit?

7-What does this story teach us about God?

**** Spend some time praying and asking God for a renewed desire to be transformed by Him.**