

July 18 Discussion Questions "Share Your Story"

Acts 26

Preview

- Part 1 Before Jesus
 - o Empty Religion (v. 5)
 - o Chaotic Violence (v. 9-11)

• Part 2 - Meeting Jesus

- Calling your <u>Name</u> (v. 12-13)
- Confronting your **Sin** (v. 14-15)
- Comforting you with **Grace** (v. 16-18)

• Part 3 – After Jesus

- Personal <u>Relationship</u> (v. 16)
- Peaceful <u>Purpose</u> (v. 16-20)

"But rise and stand upon your feet, for I have appeared to you for this purpose, to appoint you as a servant and witness to the things in which you have seen me and to those in which I will appear to you, delivering you from your people and from the Gentiles—to whom I am sending you to open their eyes, so that they may turn from darkness to light and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me." Acts 26:16-18

OPENING QUESTIONS

1. Share a positive and negative from this past week. How were you encouraged and how were you challenged?

PRAY - Pray for God's strength and help to assist those who shared challenging or stressful things above. Pray also for God's blessing on your discussion time.

READ THE PASSAGE — Acts 26

DISCUSSION

- 2. What parts of Paul's story did he feel were important to retell?
- 3. Why do you think Paul found it important to retell his conversion story?
- 4. Did anything Paul said surprise you?
- 5. How does Paul's conversion story educate and challenge us to share our story with others?

APPLICATION

- 6. Spend the remainder of your time sharing with the group the key stories in your life that have influenced your walk with God. What did God teach you? How did it grow your faith?
- 7. Who this week might need to hear one of these stories?

PRAYER REQUESTS

8. Spend time thanking God for the work He has done in each person's life. Pray also for readiness and boldness to share these stories with others this week.