

Acts: Paul's Conversion and Ministry

The New Testament * Week 15 * Collect for the Conversion of St. Paul, BCP 238

If you have questions from past weeks or your reading, email them to

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I. Whom would YOU pick to take good news to Gentiles and write 1/3 of New Testament?

A.

B. Saul of Tarsus had all those qualities but one:

1. Passion –
2. Education – (Acts 22:3) AND (Acts 17:28).
3. Articulate – (Acts 9:20-21).
4. Intelligent –
5. Flexible – (Philippians 4:11-12), (1 Corinthians 9:22).
6. Stubborn or at least persevering –

C. Only obstacle (Acts 9:1-19)

1. He saw the Light!
2. Paul had choice:
3. Much rather have passionate pagan than lukewarm Christian! (Acts 9:19-25).

D. (Galatians 1:15-23), (Acts 9:26-30).

E. (Acts 11:19-30).

F. (Acts 13:1-3).

G. Acts 13:6-9

II. Paul's qualities and personality:

A. Jew (Philippians 4:11-12), which gave credibility

B. Born in Tarsus, which gave civil rights and credibility

C. Tent-maker (Acts 18:3), which gave credibility

D. Zealous! (2 Corinthians 11:23-29)

III. God prepares us for our ministry –

How has God prepared you for yours?

Preparation for next week: Read Colossians-Philemon

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Acts 22:3

Acts 17:28

Acts 9:20-21

Philippians 4:11-12

Corinthians 9:22

Acts 13:1-3

Acts 13:6-9

Philippians 4:11-12

Acts 18:3