

# Seek First: Our Story, His Glory

Celebrating life change

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“I persecuted the followers of this Way to their death, arresting both men and women and throwing them into prison, as the high priest and all the Council can themselves testify. About noon as I came near Damascus, suddenly a bright light from heaven flashed around me. I fell to the ground and heard a voice say to me, ‘Saul! Saul! Why do you persecute Me?’

‘Who are you, Lord?’ I asked. ‘I am Jesus of Nazareth, whom you are persecuting,’ He replied.

‘What shall I do, Lord?’ I asked. ‘Get up,’ the Lord said, ‘and go into Damascus. There you will be told all that you have been assigned to do.’ My companions led me by the hand into Damascus, because the brilliance of the light had blinded me.

A man named Ananias came to see me. He was a devout observer of the law and highly respected by all the Jews living there. He stood beside me and said, ‘Brother Saul, receive your sight!’ And at that very moment I was able to see him. Then he said: ‘The God of our ancestors has chosen you to know His will and to see the Righteous One and to hear words from His mouth. You will be His witness to all people of what you have seen and heard. ‘And now what are you waiting for? Get up, be baptised and wash your sins away, calling on His name.’” [Acts 22:4-16 NIV](#)

- Repent ☒ of our sin.
- Receive ☒ the gift of salvation.
- Respond ☒ to God’s mercy.

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith – and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God – not by works, so that no one can boast. For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. [Ephesians 2:8-10 NIV](#)

REFLECTION QUESTIONS

1. Where are you in your story? Have you come to faith and accepted the gift of salvation, or has that not happened yet? If not, what are you waiting for?
2. How have you responded to God's mercy? What good works does God have planned for you?