



Saul's conversion was an immediate change in direction. "At once" he began to preach!

Was your conversion as dramatic as Saul's?

Saul went to the synagogue in Damascus, but what he taught was not what the people were expecting...

What did Saul teach? Why do you think Saul taught about Jesus being the Son of God?

Saul could have shared his story of dynamic conversion but he chose to go to scripture and prove that Jesus was the Messiah... Could you use the scriptures to show that Jesus was the Messiah? Start with reading Isaiah 53

Why was it so important that Saul make the case that Jesus was the Messiah to this audience?

Read Acts 9:15-16 then read Acts 9:23-26 this is the beginning of Paul's suffering... From this point on Paul will find suffering in most of his travels.

Discuss how we face suffering today? Is our suffering the same as Paul's?
2Cor 11:21-30 Do you think it takes suffering for God's Word to spread? Why? Why not?

Acts 9:23-29 talks about having people in your life that believe in you... People who speak up for you... Who do you have in your life that knows about what Christ has done in your life? Who would stick up for you? Who are the men and women in your life who help lead and guide you?

Acts 9:31 describes a period of time when the Holy Spirit's presence was obvious to the church and to the people. This caused growth, encouragement, and fear. Describe how the Holy Spirit can bring peace, bring growth, and bring fear....