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Acts 9:1-19
1. What was Paul known for when he was named Saul? Why was he on his way to Damascus?
2. What do you think of Paul's conversion? How intense must it have been for him personally?
3. What would the average Christian have thought upon learning that the dangerous Saul had converted to the faith
4. Acts 9:16 talks about how Paul suffered for God's Name. What do you think is the connection between serving an suffering?
2 Corinthians 11:22-28
Which of Paul's sufferings do you find the most tragic?
2. How does Paul recount these sufferings? With regret? With boasts?
3. What do you think it must have been like to be Paul?

4. How do you think Paul looked back on his conversion after his suffering?
5. Do you think Paul viewed it all as "worth it"?
MAKING IT REAL  1. Judging your life today, do you think you are serving God or wasting your time?
2. Do you think doing anything other than living for God is a waste of time? Why or why not?
3. We all know Paul came to serve God. First, he had to give his life to God and surrender to him. Do you think you've done that?
4. After we surrender to God, there's a lot of work to do. What do you think you are particularly good at that could help people get to know Jesus?
5. To serve God, you're going to have to give things up: your own plans, dreams, etc. Are you willing to do that? Do you understand what that means?
6. Which would be better, to suffer for God's Name, or to waste your life? Why do you think that?
7. What are some ways you can serve God immediately, from this day forward?

## Homework

- Memorize Acts 9:16
- Begin serving God now with all of the talents and abilities He has given you.
  Encourage others in your group when you see them serving God.