



## THE CHANGED MAN WHO CHANGED THE WORLD

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The first Jesus revolution began two thousand years ago in

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*Then they cast him out of the city and stoned him. And the witnesses laid down their garments at the feet of a young man named Saul. ACTS 7:58 ESV*

### Zeal and Jewish Tradition

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*“What are you doing here, Elijah?” He replied, “I have been very zealous for the Lord God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, torn down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too.” 1 KINGS 19:9-10 ESV*

*... a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church. PHILIPPIANS 3:5-6 ESV*

*But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven shone around him. And falling to the ground, he heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And he said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." The men who were traveling with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one. Saul rose from the ground, and although his eyes were opened, he saw nothing. So they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. And for three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank. ACTS 9:1-9 ESV*

## **Reflection Questions**

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*I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength, that he considered me trustworthy, appointing me to his service. Even though I was once a blasphemer and a persecutor and a violent man, I was shown mercy because I acted in ignorance and unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. 1 TIMOTHY 1:12-14 ESV*