



#19 “The Greater Light” Part III

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Sermon Notes

I will send a great Helper to you from the Father, one known as the Spirit of truth. He comes from the Father and will point to the truth as it concerns Me. John 15:26 VOICE

The Holy Spirit POINTS US TO JESUS AS THE “TRUE NORTH” OF OUR LIVES

When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."
John 8:12

IV. Acts 9:17-19a

¹⁷ Then Ananias went to the house and entered it. Placing his hands on Saul, he said, “Brother Saul, the Lord—Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you were coming here—has sent me so that you may see again and be filled with the Holy Spirit.” ¹⁸ Immediately, something like scales fell from Saul’s eyes, and he could see again. He got up and was baptized, ^{19a} and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

We all have BLIND SPOTS IN OUR WORLD VIEW **The Holy Spirit ENLIGHTENS US TO A TRUER UNDERSTANDING OF THE LIFE HE HAS FOR US**

"The eye is the lamp of your body; when your eye is clear, your whole body also is full of light; but when it is bad, your body also is full of darkness.

³⁵*"Then watch out that the light in you is not darkness." Lk 11:34-35*
NASB

V. Acts 9:19b-22 CONVERSION OF DESTINY

^{19b} Saul spent several days with the disciples in Damascus. ²⁰ At once he began to preach in the synagogues that Jesus is the Son of God. ²¹ All those who heard him were astonished and asked, "Isn't he the man who raised havoc in Jerusalem among those who call on this name? And hasn't he come here to take them as prisoners to the chief priests?" ²² Yet Saul grew more and more powerful and baffled the Jews living in Damascus by proving that Jesus is the Messiah.

We all have A PAST REPUTATION

The Holy Spirit WANTS US TO EXPERIENCE A CONVERSION OF DESTINY

As for those He chose beforehand, He called them to a different destiny so that they would experience what it means to be made right with God and share in His glory.
Romans 8:30 VOICE

VI. Acts 9:23-31 ACCEPTANCE/FAVOR/ENCOURAGEMENT

²³ After many days had gone by, there was a conspiracy among the Jews to kill him, ²⁴ but Saul learned of their plan. Day and night they kept close watch on the city gates in order to kill him. ²⁵ But his followers took him by night and lowered him in a basket through an opening in the wall. ²⁶ When he came to Jerusalem, he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him, not believing that he really was a disciple. ²⁷ But Barnabas took him and brought him to the apostles. He told them how Saul on his journey had seen the Lord and that the Lord had spoken to him, and how in Damascus he had preached fearlessly in the name of Jesus. ²⁸ So Saul stayed with them and moved about freely in Jerusalem, speaking boldly in the name of the Lord. ²⁹ He talked and debated with the Hellenistic Jews, but they tried to kill him. ³⁰ When the believers learned of this, they took him down to Caesarea and sent him off to Tarsus. ³¹ Then the church throughout Judea, Galilee and Samaria enjoyed a time of peace and was strengthened. Living in the fear of the Lord and encouraged by the Holy Spirit, it increased in numbers.

We all have TIMES OF DOUBT AND DIFFICULTY

The Holy Spirit SHINES UPON US WITH FAVOR, ACCEPTANCE AND ENCOURAGEMENT

““The Lord bless you and keep you; ²⁵ the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; ²⁶ the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.” Numbers 6:24-26