

PREACHING CURRICULUM



LIVING WITH A TARGET ON YOUR BACK
ACTS 9:23-31

'...both peace and persecution accomplish God's purposes...for He will build His church...'

1

REVIEW THE SERMON

When reading over this passage, what things stand out to you about man's evil desire and God's faithfulness? _____

How did Paul's dramatic conversion give him courage to go from chief persecutor to sold out proclaimer of the Gospel? _____

Can you recall the 2 main points of the sermon? How do they confirm that faithfulness to Christ will require you to live with a target on your back? _____

2

ASSESS YOUR LIFE

Why are some of the hardest people to reach those who knew you before you were a Christian? Do they see you as a traitor as the Jews did Paul? _____

Would you be willing to prove your faithfulness to Christ under threat of persecution? If you say yes, what do you base that on? *(Give examples of how you have done this)* If your answer is no, what are some good ways you can work at building up your faith? _____

How far would you be willing to go to stand for your faith? Would you be willing to fight for those being persecuted? Would you be prepared to offer us a "basket" to someone in need if it meant possible hardship or even death? _____

3

APPLY THE TRUTH

How can you improve as a bold ambassador of the Gospel in the areas of apologetics and unapologetic preaching?
How would you defend your faith if given the opportunity? _____

Should we be seeking out persecution? Why or why not? How can we exercise discernment in this area? _____

How do you strive to grow in and through persecution rather than running from it? _____

4

COMMIT THIS WEEK

Will you be faithful to preach the full Gospel to those around you? _____

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PRAYER REQUESTS/PRAISE REPORTS

DATE: _____

PERSON	REQUEST	ANSWER/PRAISE REPORT