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Paul's Conversion

Conversion, a word in which many use to apply that a person has changed overall, or changed perspective regarding religion. The word conversion means the process of changing or causing something to change from one form to another. The definition of conversion fit the text of Act 9, the reason for this is because God changed Saul into a new man from before where he was going to kill believers of God. Saul was on a mission to kill them, but God had other plans. Saul on his way to Damascus, God asked Saul why he was persecuting him and his believers. Saul was blind for three days because of the light which the Lord shined upon him and was commanded to do what the Lord has said, go to the city and he would be told what he must do. Ananias, a disciple Damascus, was commanded by God to go help Saul and so he did by laying his hands on Saul, "It seems that this is when Saul was actually born again. Here is where he received the Holy Spirit and was healed from his blindness, which was spiritual blindness as much as physical blindness" (Enduringword). Also, "Saul underwent- a conversion of will, intellect, and emotion" (Bruce Pg.183). Saul was tested by the power of God which led to him believing and choosing to follow God. Saul feared God to choose the ultimate path he must endure through. The word conversion was not mentioned at all in Act 9, but the text showed how he was changed into a new man who became a believer of God instead of a persecuting believers.

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