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## Scriptural References and Comment Notes

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### # 18-018-46 PAUL'S CONVERSION REVISITED

:00-4:15 A review of Acts 21, as context for chapter 22.

4:15 Acts 22:1-5 Reading and teaching.

10:00 Acts 22:6-7 Paul thought he was defending the faith with zeal, but God lets him know that he was persecuting the real God.

14:45 Acts 22:8 The most important question that anyone could ever ask at anytime. "Who are you, Lord?" There are 3294 questions asked in the English bible; 2272 in the Old Testament and 1022 in the New Testament.

Jesus answers – I am Jesus of Nazareth, whom you are persecuting. Shocking to Saul who hated Jesus.

17:25 Acts 22:9-10 Verse 10 "What shall I do Lord?" The second most important question that anyone could ask at anytime. Teaching on Jesus as Lord – Boss.

18:50 Acts 22:10-11 God mostly speaks to us not directly but through other people.

19:50 Acts 22:12-13 Teaching; Reference Acts 9:10-17. The Lord makes it possible to turn enemies into Brothers. We often, in our human nature, turn brothers into enemies.

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25:10 Acts 22:14 God has chosen Saul for three things. God has chosen each of us for the same three things: **1.** To know his will. Reference 1 Corinthians 2:11-13. The Holy Spirit is our guide to lead us in the will of God. **2.** To see the Righteous One. Constantly before our spiritual eyes. **3.** To hear words from his mouth. Are you turned on (open to him) and tuned in (on same wavelength). Are you listening?

30:45 Acts 22:15-16 After we have encountered the real Lord – it is a time to “Get Up” and get on the move.

33:15 Acts 22:17-29 Paul makes known his Roman citizenship and that changes the behavior of his detainers.

Acts 22:1 “Brothers and fathers, listen now to my defense.”

Acts 22:2 When they heard him speak to them in Aramaic, they became very quiet.

Then Paul said: 3 “I am a Jew, born in Tarsus of Cilicia, but brought up in this city. Under Gamaliel I was thoroughly trained in the law of our fathers and was just as zealous for God as any of you are today. 4 I persecuted the followers of this Way to their death, arresting both men and women and throwing them into prison, 5 as also the high priest and all the Council can testify. I even obtained letters from them to their brothers in Damascus, and went there to bring these people as prisoners to Jerusalem to be punished.

Acts 22:6 “About noon as I came near Damascus, suddenly a bright light from heaven flashed around me. 7 I fell to the ground and heard a voice say to me, ‘Saul! Saul! Why do you persecute me?’

Acts 22:8 “ ‘Who are you, Lord?’ I asked.

“ ‘I am Jesus of Nazareth, whom you are persecuting,’ he replied. 9 My companions saw the light, but they did not understand the voice of him who was speaking to me.

Acts 22:10 “ ‘What shall I do, Lord?’ I asked.

“ ‘Get up,’ the Lord said, ‘and go into Damascus. There you will be told all that you have been assigned to do.’ 11 My companions led me by the hand into Damascus, because the brilliance of the light had blinded me.

Acts 22:12 “A man named Ananias came to see me. He was a devout observer of the law and highly respected by all the Jews living there. 13 He stood beside me and said, ‘Brother Saul, receive your sight!’ And at that very moment I was able to see him.

Acts 9:10 In Damascus there was a disciple named Ananias. The Lord called to him in a vision, “Ananias!”

“Yes, Lord,” he answered.

Acts 9:11 The Lord told him, “Go to the house of Judas on Straight Street and ask for a man from Tarsus named Saul, for he is praying. 12 In a vision he has seen a man named Ananias come and place his hands on him to restore his sight.”

Acts 9:13 “Lord,” Ananias answered, “I have heard many reports about this man and all the harm he has done to your saints in Jerusalem. 14 And he has come here with authority from the chief priests to arrest all who call on your name.”

Acts 9:15 But the Lord said to Ananias, “Go! This man is my chosen instrument to carry my name before the Gentiles and their kings and before the people of Israel. 16 I will show him how much he must suffer for my name.”

Acts 9:17 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.”

Acts 22:14 “Then he said: ‘The God of our fathers has chosen you to know his will and to see the Righteous One and to hear words from his mouth.

1Cor. 2:11 For who among men knows the thoughts of a man except the man’s spirit within him? In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. 12 We have not received the spirit of the world but the Spirit who is from God, that we may understand what God has freely given us. 13 This is what we speak, not in words taught us by human wisdom but in words taught by the Spirit, expressing spiritual truths in spiritual words.

Acts 22:15 You will be his witness to all men of what you have seen and heard. 16 And now what are you waiting for? Get up, be baptized and wash your sins away, calling on his name.’

Acts 22:17 “When I returned to Jerusalem and was praying at the temple, I fell into a trance 18 and saw the Lord speaking. ‘Quick!’ he said to me. ‘Leave Jerusalem immediately, because they will not accept your testimony about me.’

Acts 22:19 “ ‘Lord,’ I replied, ‘these men know that I went from one synagogue to another to imprison and beat those who believe in you. 20 And when the blood of your martyr Stephen was shed, I stood there giving my approval and guarding the clothes of those who were killing him.’

Acts 22:21 “Then the Lord said to me, ‘Go; I will send you far away to the Gentiles.’”

Acts 22:22 The crowd listened to Paul until he said this. Then they raised their voices and shouted, “Rid the earth of him! He’s not fit to live!”

Acts 22:23 As they were shouting and throwing off their cloaks and flinging dust into the air, 24 the commander ordered Paul to be taken into the barracks. He directed that he be flogged and questioned in order to find out why the people were shouting at him like this. 25 As they stretched him out to flog him, Paul said to the centurion standing there, “Is it legal for you to flog a Roman citizen who hasn’t even been found guilty?”

Acts 22:26 When the centurion heard this, he went to the commander and reported it. “What are you going to do?” he asked. “This man is a Roman citizen.”

Acts 22:27 The commander went to Paul and asked, “Tell me, are you a Roman citizen?”

“Yes, I am,” he answered.

Acts 22:28 Then the commander said, “I had to pay a big price for my citizenship.”

“But I was born a citizen,” Paul replied.

Acts 22:29 Those who were about to question him withdrew immediately. The commander himself was alarmed when he realized that he had put Paul, a Roman citizen, in chains.

Acts 22:30 The next day, since the commander wanted to find out exactly why Paul was being accused by the Jews, he released him and ordered

the chief priests and all the Sanhedrin to assemble. Then he brought Paul and had him stand before them.