

A Crisis Of Faith Pt1

St. Paul Pt1

ACTS 8:1-4

1. *And Saul was consenting unto his death. And at that time there was a great persecution against the church which was at Jerusalem; and they were all scattered abroad throughout the regions of Judaea and Samaria, except the apostles.*
2. *And devout men carried Stephen to his burial, and made great lamentation over him.*
3. *As for Saul, he made havock of the church, entering into every house, and haling men and women committed them to prison.*
4. *Therefore they that were scattered abroad went every where preaching the word.*

ACTS 9:1-6

1. *And Saul, yet breathing out threatenings and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord, went unto the high priest,*
2. *And desired of him letters to Damascus to the synagogues, that if he found any of this way, whether they were men or women, he might bring them bound unto Jerusalem.*
3. *And as he journeyed, he came near Damascus: and suddenly there shined round about him a light from heaven: 4. And he fell to the earth, and heard a voice saying unto him, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? 5. And he said, **Who art thou, Lord?** And the Lord said, **I am Jesus** whom thou persecutest: it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks.*
6. *And he **trembling and astonished** said, Lord, what wilt thou have me to do? And the Lord said unto him, Arise, and go into the city, and it shall be told thee what thou must do.*

ACTS 9:10-12

10. *And there was a certain disciple at Damascus, named Ananias; and to him said the Lord in a vision, Ananias. And he said, Behold, I am here, Lord.*
11. *And the Lord said unto him, Arise, and go into the street which is called Straight, and enquire in the house of Judas for one called Saul, of Tarsus: for, behold, he prayeth,*
12. *And hath seen in a vision a man named Ananias coming in, and putting his hand on him, that he might receive his sight.*

ACTS 9:17-18

17. *And Ananias went his way, and entered into the house; and putting his hands on him said, **Brother Saul**, the Lord, even Jesus, that appeared unto thee in the way as thou camest, hath sent me, that thou mightest receive thy sight, and be filled with the Holy Ghost.*
18. *And immediately there fell from his eyes as it had been scales: and he received sight forthwith, and arose, and was baptized.*

THE FOURTH SEAL [63-0321]

There's one named Paul that was a smart man, and he said that **he had to forget everything he knewed in order to know Christ.**

A PRISONER [63-0717]

Now, he knew that he had an experience. So here is another good lesson for us, that, **experience alone isn't enough. It's got to be experience according to the Word of the Lord.**

GALATIANS 1:11-24

11. *But I certify you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached of me is not after man.*

12. *For **I neither received it of man, neither was I taught it, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ.***

13. *For ye have heard of my conversation in time past in the Jews' religion, how that beyond measure I persecuted the church of God, and wasted it:*

14. *And profited in the Jews' religion above many my equals in mine own nation, being more **exceedingly zealous** of the traditions of my fathers.*

15. *But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb, and called me by his grace,*

16. *To reveal his Son in me, that I might preach him among the heathen; immediately **I conferred not with flesh and blood:***

17. *Neither went I up to Jerusalem to them which were apostles before me; but I **went into Arabia**, and returned again unto Damascus.*

18. *Then **after three years** I went up to Jerusalem to see Peter, and abode with him fifteen days.*

19. *But other of the apostles saw I none, save James the Lord's brother.*

20. *Now the things which I write unto you, behold, before God, I lie not.*

21. *Afterwards I came into the regions of Syria and Cilicia;*

22. *And was unknown by face unto the churches of Judaea which were in Christ:*

23. *But they had heard only, That he which persecuted us in times past now **preacheth the faith which once he destroyed.***

24. *And they glorified God in me.*

HEBREWS CHAPTER ONE [57-0821]

And before he would do this, Paul was a Bible scholar. And **a Bible scholar will never rest his doctrine upon experiences.** No, sir. They'll never rest their doctrine upon experience. You can have any kind of an experience. But it must be **THUS SAITH THE LORD.** Right.

HEBREWS CHAPTER ONE [57-0821]

And you know what I believe he done? I believe that he took the Old Testament, and searched through the Old Testament, and found that That was really the absolute Messiah. **He had to prove his experience by the Bible.** Amen. Oh, my!

ADOPTION PT4 [60-0522E]

Three years Paul was down there in Arabia, rented him a little building somewhere, walking up and down the floor with all the old scrolls.

ADOPTION PT4 [60-0522E]

Oh, I'd imagine Paul had a wonderful time. I'd like to have been there with him, wouldn't you?

HEBREWS CHAPTER FIVE AND SIX PT1 [57-0908M]

And when he come back, he was sure. **Nothing could upset him, for he was solid on the Word, unmoveable.**

AN ABSOLUTE [63-1201M]

Now we find that Paul, the rest of his life, had that for **a tie post**. He had met God, face to face, and was commissioned by God. What a tie post! **What an Absolute! That was the end of all arguments.** That was the end of everything for Paul. All strife, everything was gone. I don't care what the Pharisees said, the Sadducees said, or anybody else; he met God vindicated by the Word, **that settled it! That was the rest of his life.** Because he had seen God manifested, and had been proven to him that It was God, by the Word...