

## TAKEAWAY

### Let's Go! Part 3

#### The World Needs To Experience Jesus

*In line with our goal to be a church of disciples who make disciples, this session is focussed on action, so that we are 'doers of the word' and not just hearers/people who enjoy a good discussion! It encourages focussed practical outcomes in the lives of the individuals in the group so that our discipleship as followers of Jesus is deliberately pursued.*

#### DESIRED OUTCOMES

To be inspired by God's surprising grace, extended even to those who oppose Him.

To be challenged by the stories of both Paul and Ananias to serve and to be available for what God might do through us.

#### SHARE

All of us have known influential people in our lives. But who had God used to influence you through only limited contact? Eg. 1 or 2 conversations, a particular book, a talk you heard?

#### READ

Acts 9:1-19

#### DISCUSS

What details or moments stand out to you about the story of Paul's powerful turnaround?

What happened to Paul on Damascus road was a conversion – a transformative experience of Jesus of the complete person - emotionally, intellectually and spiritually.

How would you say you've been transformed by Jesus thus far? (Don't be overly British and shy about sharing how God's changed you. It's down to Him not you!)

What parts of you are you particularly aware need further transformation at the moment?

The grace God offers to Paul (a man looking to murder Christians) is encouraging to us all – we're never too far beyond God's grace to be redeemable. But in what ways do we cut ourselves off from God's grace? How can we build our trust in God's goodness to us?

Paul isn't just 'converted', he is given a mission to get on with. Why is this significant? How far is this true for everyone who becomes a follower of Jesus?

God didn't work on Paul independently of Christian community, he quickly got Ananias involved in supporting him. Why did Paul need this? Why is it important for us to see it?

#### TRY OUT

To restate last week's Try Out: Could you make (or have you made!) a list of 5 people you know who aren't Christians and pray for them every day? (Maybe set an alarm on your phone). Could you then report back after doing this for 30 days – did anything happen to you or the 5 listed people?

#### PRAY