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THE MOST UNLIKELY CONVERT

Acts 9:1-31

Passage In a Sentence: Through Paul's conversion story, we see that Jesus has the power to transform any person's life and set them on fire for the Gospel.

Four Introductory Points:

- Paul is not the hero of Paul's story, Jesus is. ("It is not I, but the grace of God that is with me." 1 Corinthians 15:10)
- Paul's story is Paul's. There has never been another story like it in the history of Christianity. But Paul's story is weaved into the tapestry of what Jesus has done across His generations of followers, and we can see in Paul's story the goodness and power of Jesus on full display.
- Paul's story is important because God uses His life to set the course for Christianity.
- Note - Acts 13:9 tells us that Saul was also known as Paul. Most likely, Saul was his Hebrew name and Paul his Roman name, since he held dual citizenship.

I. IN PAUL'S CONVERSION, JESUS DISPLAYS HIS MERCY FOR AN ENEMY OF THE GOSPEL.

II. IN PAUL'S CONVERSION, JESUS DISPLAYS HIS POWER TO MAKE ENEMIES BROTHERS.

III. IN PAUL'S CONVERSION, JESUS DISPLAYS THE COST OF DISCIPLESHIP.

IV. IN PAUL'S CONVERSION, JESUS DISPLAYS THAT NO EARTHLY POWER CAN STAND AGAINST HIS MISSION.