

Bible Study

Gods Word in Focus



Week Forty One

Acts of the Apostles

Acts 9:20-43

Saul Preaches Christ/The Church Prospers

Acts 9:20-31

After many days had passed (during which Saul apparently spent about 3 years in Arabia, cf. [Ga 1:17-18](#)), Saul barely escaped a plot to kill him by the Jews in Damascus (cf. [2Co 11:32-33](#)). He went to Jerusalem where after Barnabas spoke in his behalf he was accepted by the brethren. Another plot by the Jews to kill Saul prompted the brethren to bring him to Caesarea and send him on to Tarsus. The churches in Judea, Galilee, and Samaria then enjoyed peace and grew as they walked in the fear of the Lord and the comfort of the Holy Spirit

Aeneas Healed & Dorcas Restored to Life

Acts 9:32-43

Luke then records two miracles performed by Peter. The first in Lydda, where Peter healed Aeneas, a man paralyzed and bedridden for eight years. This led many in Lydda and Sharon to turn to the Lord. In nearby Joppa, a disciple named Tabitha (Dorcas) became sick and died. Having heard that Peter was in Lydda, the disciples sent for him to come without delay. Peter raised Tabitha from the dead, leading many people in Joppa to believe on the Lord. Peter then remained in Joppa for many days, staying with Simon, a tanner