## The Confrontation Between Saul and the Lord: A Life-changing Conversion

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## 1 There was his former life: A flaming fury against Christ and His disciples

- a. A fierce anger:Breathed threats and murder
- b. A fierce objective:Destroy all followersof "the Way" of the Lord
  - 1) Volunteered to storm after them
  - 2) Included women as well as men
- 2 There was the light from heaven
- 3 There was the confrontation with the Lord
  - a. The charge of sin
  - b. The request to know the Lord
  - c. The shattering truth:
    - I) The Lord is Jesus
    - 2) The command: "Get up and go"
- 4 There were the witnesses to the event
- 5 There was obedience

Meanwhile,Saul was still breathing out murderous threats against the Lord's disciples.He went to the high priest

- 2 And asked him for letters to the synagogues in Damascus, so that if he found any there who belonged to the Way, whether men or women, he might take them as prisoners to Jerusalem.
- 3 As he neared Damascus on his journey, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him.
- 4 He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?"
- 5 "Who are you, Lord?" Saul asked. "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting," he replied.
- 6 "Now get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do."
- 7 The men traveling with Saul stood there speechless; they heard the sound but did not see anyone.
- 8 Saul got up from the ground,but when he opened his eyeshe could see nothing.So they led him by the hand into Damascus.
- 9 For three days he was blind, and did not eat or drink anything.