

Transformation
Church Without Walls – Part 4
Life Church St. Louis – May 10, 2020
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2 Timothy 1:5 (ESV) *I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you as well.*

Proverbs 22:6 (ESV) *Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.*

1. Pray that your child will believe in Jesus Christ

Acts 9:1-2 (ESV) *But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem.*

Acts 9:3-4 (ESV) *Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven shone around him. And falling to the ground he heard a voice saying to him, “Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?”*

Acts 9:5-6 (ESV) *And he said, “Who are you, Lord?” And he said, “I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do.”*

2. Pray that your child will discover God’s plan

Acts 9:11 (ESV) *And the Lord said to him, “Rise and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul, for behold, he is praying,*

Acts 9:13, 15 (ESV) But Ananias answered, “Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints at Jerusalem. ... But the Lord said to him, “Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel.

Acts 9:17-18 (ESV) So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him he said, “Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus who appeared to you on the road by which you came has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit.” And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and he regained his sight. Then he rose and was baptized;

3. Pray that your child will complete God’s purpose

Acts 9:22 (ESV) But Saul increased all the more in strength, and confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that Jesus was the Christ.

Acts 9:23, 25 (ESV) When many days had passed, the Jews plotted to kill him, ... but his disciples took him by night and let him down through an opening in the wall, lowering him in a basket.

Acts 9:28-30 (ESV) So he went in and out among them at Jerusalem, preaching boldly in the name of the Lord. And he spoke and disputed against the Hellenists. But they were seeking to kill him. And when the brothers learned this, they brought him down to Caesarea and sent him off to Tarsus.

Action Plan for This Week

- Have a daily time of Bible reading & prayer (Read Acts 9).
 - Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun

- Invite a friend to watch the service online next week.

- How will I obey God’s Word this week? _____

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Intro. How does a mother pass their faith on to their children (2 Timothy 1:5)?

Intro. In what ways can God's promise in Proverbs 22:6 encourage you as a parent?

Intro. How does a mother's role in raising children differ from a father's role?

Intro. What are some of the challenges that a mother faces in raising children today?

1A. Why do you think that Saul was so zealous in persecuting Christians (Acts 9:1-2)?

1B. What is the significance of Jesus' question that Saul was unknowingly persecuting Jesus (Acts 9:3-4)?

1C. How was Saul's world view completely turned upside down in Acts 9:5-6?

1D. In what ways can the transformation of Saul give hope to a mother seeking to raise her children for the Lord?

2A. Why do you think that God used an unknown disciple named Ananias to lay the spiritual foundation in Saul's life (Acts 9:11)?

2B. What was Ananias risking in going to meet Saul (Acts 9:13-15)?

2C. How do you see the three spiritual foundations from Acts 2:38 laid in Saul's life in Acts 9:17-18?

2D. What role do mothers play in laying spiritual foundations in their children's life and helping them discover God's plan?

3A. Why do you think that Saul was able to quickly be involved in effective ministry (Acts 9:22)?

3B. What do you think prompted the Jews to plot to kill Saul (Acts 9:23-25)?

3C. What do the continual attacks on Saul's/Paul's life tell us about Satan's strategies (Acts 9:28-30)?

3D. In what ways do you think Satan attacks children today?

3E. How can mothers grow as prayer warriors for their children?