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 (40) But Philip was found at Azotus: and passing through he preached in all the cities, till he came to Caesarea.

Chapter 9

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 (3) And as he journeyed, he came near Damascus: and suddenly there shined round about him a light from heaven:
 (4) And he fell to the earth, and heard a voice saying unto him, **Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me?**
 (5) And he said, Who art thou, Lord? And the Lord said, **I am Jesus whom thou persecutest: it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks.**
 (6) And he trembling and astonished said, Lord, what wilt thou have me to do? And the Lord *said* unto him, **Arise, and go into the city, and it shall be told thee what thou must do.**

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9:4a – Acts 22:7; 26:14

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(7) And the men which journeyed with him stood speechless, hearing a voice, but seeing no man.
(8) And Saul arose from the earth; and when his eyes were opened, he saw no man: but they led him by the hand, and brought *him* into Damascus.
(9) And he was three days without sight, and neither did eat nor drink.
(10) And there was a certain disciple at Damascus, named Ananias; and to him said the Lord in a vision, **Ananias**. And he said, Behold, I *am here*, Lord.
(11) And the Lord *said* unto him, **Arise, and go into the street which is called Straight, and enquire in the house of Judas for *one* called Saul, of Tarsus: for, behold, he prayeth,**
(12) **And hath seen in a vision a man named Ananias coming in, and putting *his* hand on him, that he might receive his sight.**
(13) Then Ananias answered, Lord, I have heard by many of this man, how much evil he hath done to thy saints at Jerusalem:
(14) And here he hath authority from the chief priests to bind all that call on thy name.
(15) But the Lord said unto him, **Go thy way: for he is a chosen vessel unto me, to bear my name before the Gentiles, and kings, and the children of Israel:**
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9:7b - Acts 22:9

9:15c - Gentiles - non-Jews - people of other nations

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(17) And Ananias went his way, and entered into the house; and putting his hands on him said, Brother Saul, the Lord, *even* Jesus, that appeared unto thee in the way as thou camest, hath sent me, that thou mightest receive thy sight, and be filled with the Holy Ghost.

(18) And immediately there fell from his eyes as it had been scales: and he received sight forthwith, and arose, and was baptized.

(19) And when he had received meat, he was strengthened. Then was Saul certain days with the disciples which were at Damascus.

(20) And straightway he preached Christ in the synagogues, that he is the Son of God.

(21) But all that heard *him* were amazed, and said; Is not this he that destroyed them which called on this name in Jerusalem, and came hither for that intent, that he might bring them bound unto the chief priests?

(22) But Saul increased the more in strength, and confounded the Jews which dwelt at Damascus, proving that this is very Christ.

(23) And after that many days were fulfilled, the Jews took counsel to kill him:

(24) But their laying await was known of Saul. And they watched the gates day and night to kill him.

(25) Then the disciples took him by night, and let *him* down by the wall in a basket.

(26) And when Saul was come to Jerusalem, he assayed to join himself to the disciples: but they were all afraid of him, and believed not that he was a disciple.

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9:25d - basket - hamper - large basket - see Mat. 14:20; Mat. 15:37