Questions on Acts chapter 9

1. Why did Saul choose Damascus to begin his mission and how far was it from Jerusalem? Verses 1-2.

2. Where was Saul, what time of day was it, and what did he see and hear? Verses 3-4.

3. How was Saul persecuting Jesus, what were the “pricks” he was suffering, and why wasn’t he told what to do? Verses 5-6.

4. Why does one record say the men with Saul “heard not the voice” and why do you think Saul had nothing to eat or drink for three days? Verses 7-9.

5. Can you name four things about Saul that led some to think Saul was saved from his sins at this point? Verses 10-12.

6. Why was it necessary for Ananias to go to Saul and why was he reluctant to go? Verses 13-14.

7. Did the Lord choose Saul for a special work and if so what did he predict for Saul as a result of that work? Verses 15-16.

8. Why did Ananias address Saul as “Brother Saul” and what happened when he put his hands on him? Verses 17-18.

9. Why was Saul baptized? Verse 18.

10. What two things did Saul do after baptism that indicated that he was saved? Verses 19-20.

11. What amazed Saul’s hearers and how did he confound the Jews at Damascus? Verses 21-22.

12. What evidence indicates that the Jews had help from the authorities in their efforts to kill Saul? Verses 23-24. (See 2 Corinthians 11:32-33)

13. What added details are known about Saul’s escape in Damascus? Verse 25.

14. Do you think the disciples in Jerusalem were justified in being afraid of Saul? If so, why were they justified? Verse 26.

15. Who brought Saul to the apostles? How do you think he got information about him? Verse 27.

16. Is there any way to determine how long Saul was at Jerusalem? Verse 28. (See Galatians 1:18)

17. How long had it been since Saul had been to Jerusalem and why did the Hellenistic Jews there now want to kill him? Verse 29.

18. To protect Saul, why did the brethren send him to Tarsus? Verse 30.

19. How did the condition of the churches vindicate the philosophy of Gamaliel in the claim that the church was of divine origin? Verse 31.

20. Who do you think brought the gospel to Lydia before Peter arrived? Verse 32.

21. What was the result of Peter’s healing of Aeneas by the name of Jesus Christ? Verses 33-35.

22. Why was there such haste to bury Dorcas and why the haste for Peter to come? Verses 36-38.

23. Describe in your own words the raising of Dorcas. Verses 39-41.

24. What was the result of Peter’s raising of Dorcas and where did he live for many days? Verses 42-43.