

MESSAGE NOTES

“Practical Teaching for Everyday Living”

FULLY ALIVE TRANSFORMATION

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WHAT IS FULL TRANSFORMATION?

1. IT STARTS WITH AN _____

Meanwhile, Saul was **still breathing out murderous threats** against the Lord’s disciples. He went to the high priest 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. Acts 9:1-2

As he neared Damascus on his journey, **suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him**. He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, **“Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?”**

“Who are you, Lord?” Saul asked.

“I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting.” he replied. **“Now get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do.”** Acts 9:3-6

_____ is the work of the Holy Spirit where a person is able to see himself as God sees him: guilty, defiled, and totally unable to save himself.

_____ - means properly to turn; to return to a path from which one has gone astray; and then to turn away from sins, or to forsake them.’ It is a word used in a general sense to denote ‘the whole turning to God.

2. IT CONTINUES WITH _____

Like **newborn babies**, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you **may grow up in your salvation**, now that you have tasted that the Lord is good. 1 Pet. 2:2-3

GOD NEEDS MATURE BELIEVERS

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In Damascus there **was a disciple named Ananias**. The Lord called to him in a vision, **“Ananias!”**

“Yes, Lord,” he answered. Acts 9:10

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The Lord told him, **“Go to the house of Judas on Straight Street and ask for a man from Tarsus named Saul,** for he is praying. In a vision he has seen a man named Ananias come and place his hands on him to restore his sight.” (11-12)

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*“Lord,” Ananias answered, **“I have heard many reports about this man and all the harm he has done to your saints in Jerusalem. And he has come here with authority from the chief priests to arrest all who call on your name.”*** (13-14)

*But the Lord said to Ananias, **“Go! This man is my chosen instrument to carry my name before the Gentiles and their kings and before the people of Israel. I will show him how much he must suffer for my name.”*** (15-16)

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Then Ananias went to the house and entered it. Placing his hands on Saul, he said, “Brother Saul, the Lord—Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you were coming here—**has sent me so that you may see again and be filled with the Holy Spirit.**” Immediately, something like scales fell from Saul’s eyes, and he could see again. He got up and was baptized, and after taking some food, he regained his strength. (17-19)

3. MATURE CHRISTIANS ARE _____

*But **solid food is for the mature, who by constant use have trained themselves to distinguish good from evil.*** Heb. 5:12

*But when God, who set me apart from birth and called me by his grace, was pleased to reveal his Son in me **so that I might preach him among the Gentiles,** I did not consult any man, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to see those who were apostles before I was, **but I went immediately into Arabia and later returned to Damascus.*** Gal. 1:15-17