

COLD SPRINGS CHURCH “*Doing Life Well Together.*”

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“Paul - I Am a New Creation”

Acts 9:1-19



ONE THING STUDY

1. Read this week’s key passage.
2. Pick One Thing (a word or phrase) that stands out to you.
3. Talk about it with someone in your life and/or your group.

QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER

1. What stands out to you most today about who God is? About who you are?
2. When you think about the grace of God, what do you feel?
3. How have you experienced evidence of God’s grace in your life and/or situations?
4. We can’t show up for everyone. Yet we can invest in one more person. Who has God placed in your life to pray for, care for, and share with? Your **One More**?
5. What does it look like for you this week to live out your true purpose?

In this series we’ve said that Jesus is the Great I AM. That who we are flows from him. This identity gives us significance, security and confidence. We are called to trust him.

Who I am flows from Jesus, the Great I AM. Love Jesus Most.

RESOURCES



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Sermon Title: Paul - I Am a New Creation / Scripture: Acts 9:1-19

Big Idea Question: How can I live out my true identity?

Answer: Know who I am.

Big Idea: I am a sinner saved by grace for a purpose.

I am a sinner.

9 But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest 2 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.

- Truth about God
- Truth about Me
- Hope

Saved by grace.

3 Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven shone around him. 4 And falling to the ground, he heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" 5 And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And he said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. 6 But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." 7 The men who were traveling with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one. 8 Saul rose from the ground, and although his eyes were opened, he saw nothing. So they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. 9 And for three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank. 10 Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord." 11 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, 12 and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." 13 But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints at Jerusalem. 14 And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on your name."

- He did it
- For me
- For him

For a purpose.

5 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. 16 For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." 17 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." 18 And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and he regained his sight. Then he rose and was baptized; 19 and taking food, he was strengthened.

- Vertical purpose
- Horizontal purpose
- The real ME

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