SERMON NOTES

Sunday, October 11, 2026 | Pastor Scott Boerckel

Telling Others about the Powerful name of Jesus

Acts 9:23-43

1. The cost of following Jesus (Acts 9:23-25)

2. The nurture of a disciple (Acts 9:26-30)

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3. The Gospel preparing to break out (Acts 9:31-43)

Table Talk

1) How does God use the workings of history in this text to accomplish His purposes? What does sacrifice for Christ look like in your Christian life? What kinds of sacrifice should we volunteer for? What kinds of sacrifice happen upon believers that they must accept? What kinds of sacrifices happen that believers must resist? (vv. 23-25)

2) What role does Barnabas play in the early Christian life of Saul? What do you think Peter and Saul discussed at their meeting together over 15 days? Looking at Acts 6:9 and 9:29 suggests that Saul is now debating his former colleagues and friends. What challenges does that present? What principles of the nurturing of a young disciple like Saul emerge from these verses? (vv. 26-30)

3) What hints do we have in Acts 9:31-43 that the Gospel is breaking out beyond the boundaries of Judaism? What political circumstances might have led to the peace that the church experienced in verse 31?

4) What does it say about the break out of the Gospel for Peter to be ministering in Lydda and Joppa? Why did Peter stay with a tanner? Would you stay with a tanner? How does that reflect the breaking out of the Gospel? (vv. 32-43)